

This scholarship is designed to provide graduate students of Mahidol University with opportunities to undertake academic exchange programs and/or conduct research overseas, along with the opportunity to build networks and alliances with professors and scholars overseas.

As empowered by virtue of Article 22.4 of the 'Mahidol University Announcement on Regulations and Methods to Receive, Maintain, Disburse, Pay, and Control Money B.E. 2551', which is under Section 38 of the 'Mahidol University Regulations on Budget and Financial Administration B.E. 2551' and its revision, the following announcement shall be enacted by the President:

- 1. In this Annoucement,
 - "Mahidol University" refers to Mahidol University
 - "Scholarship" refers to the Scholarship for Postgraduate Student Mobility Program 2024
- 2. The term "overseas academic mobility" refers to
- 2.1 An exchange program for a general education subject that is relevant to the candidate's field of study or academic mobility for research that directly relates to the candidate's dissertation topic at a university in ASEAN country /ASEAN+6 (China (including the Republic of China (Taiwan) and Hong Kong), Korea, Japan, Australia, New Zealand, and India) or at a Non-ASEAN partner university and ASEAN+6.
- 2.2 An exchange program for a general education subject that is relevant to the candidate's field of study or academic mobility for research that directly relates to the candidate's dissertation topic via an online platform with a university in ASEAN country /ASEAN+6 (China (including the Republic of China (Taiwan) and Hong Kong), Korea, Japan, Australia, New Zealand, and India) or with a Non-ASEAN partner university and ASEAN+6.
 - 3. The University will allocate a partial scholarship to the recipient for
- 3.1 His/her overseas academic mobility in a lump sum payment which covers the international airfare, accommodation, allowance, visa application fee, health insurance, and other expenses that occur within the limited amount as stated in the table below.

Short-term program (4 – 11 weeks) (not including travel dates)		
1. ASEAN+6 universities		
- Other countries in ASEAN	maximum of	40,000 Baht
- Singapore and countries in ASEAN+6	maximum of	60,000 Baht
2. Non-ASEAN and non-ASEAN+6 partner universities	maximum of	70,000 Baht
Long-term program (12 weeks) (not including travel dates)		
1. ASEAN+6 universities		
- Other countries in ASEAN	maximum of	70,000 Baht
- Singapore and countries in ASEAN+6	maximum of	90,000 Baht
2. Non-ASEAN and non-ASEAN+6 partner universities	maximum of	100,000 Baht

- 4. Qualifications of the candidates
 - 4.1 Being a Mahidol University postgraduate student

- 4.2 Having the accumulated GPA to the latest enrolled semester of at least 3.50
- 4.3 Having one of the following required English proficiency test scores (taken within 2 years from the application date)
 - (a) IELTS score of at least 5, or
 - (b) TOEFL iBT score of at least 64, or
 - (c) TOEFL ITP score of at least 510, or
 - (d) MU GRAD Test score of at least 60
 - (e) MU GRAD Plus (MU Grad Test + Speaking) score of at least 70, or
 - (f) MU ELT score of at least 84"
- 4.4 Having good English communication skills (a confirmation/verification letter issued by the original affiliate (Form IR-EN to be provided)
- 4.5 Having an acceptance letter for academic mobility or research project issued by the host university in the ASEAN/ASEAN+6 or a Non-ASEAN and non-ASEAN+6 partner university with the program duration clearly stated (Day/Month/Year)
- 4.6 In case the candidate is going to conduct research based on his/her dissertation, the dissertation topic must be initially approved by the Faculty of Graduate Studies.
- 4.7 The candidate must still be working on his/her research or dissertation. This scholarship is not for the candidates who have already submitted their dissertation and are on the waiting list for publication.
 - 4.8 Being able to participate in the whole academic mobility program or research project
 - 4.9 Having never received this scholarship before
- 4.10 Being able to participate in the University's activities to share knowledge and experience with Mahidol University students.

5. Required documents

- 5.1 A nomination letter from the candidate's original affiliate
- 5.2 A completed application form (Form IR-PG) with a 1-inch photo attached (An application form can be requested from his/her affiliate or downloaded from https://op.mahidol.ac.th/ir/scholarship-for-postgrad)
 - 5.3 An acceptance letter or proof of registration as stated in clause 4.5
 - 5.4 A copy of the official transcript
 - 5.5 An English proficiency test score as stated in clause 4.3
- 5.6 A confirmation letter of the candidate's English proficiency issued by his/her original affiliate as stated in clause 4.4 (Form IR-EN)
- 5.7 An approval letter on the candidate's dissertation topic issued by the Faculty of Graduate Studies, and details of the candidate's research in English in case the candidate conducts research based on his/her dissertation topic
- 5.8 A copy of MoU if the academic mobility or research project is at non-ASEAN or non-ASEAN+6 partner universities

6. Application procedures and deadline

- 6.1 The candidate must submit the application form and the required documents to the International Relations Unit or any work unit in charge of the candidate's application for primary consideration.
- 6.2 The Head of the affiliate must submit a nomination letter for the candidate and the required documents to the International Relations Division at least 8 weeks before the overseas academic mobility starts.

7. Consideration and selection criteria

- (a) The original affiliate must screen the candidates by following the criteria listed below.
 - 1. The candidate must have good English communication skills
 - 2. The candidate must have the potential for learning and self-development
 - 3. The candidate must be responsible, independent, well adaptable, and have problem-solving skills
 - 4. The candidate must have an awareness of his/her role as the University representative
- (b) The University shall select the candidate following the criteria listed below.
 - 1. The academic mobility covers study or research topic that is relevant to the candidate's field of study/course syllabus
 - 2. The selection is prioritized as follows:
 - (1) The target university is one of an ASEAN/ASEAN+6 universities or Non-ASEAN partner universities, respectively.
 - (2) The research must be directly based on the candidate's dissertation topic.
 - (3) The program must be a long-term academic or research program.
- 8. The International Relations Division shall consider the candidate and his/her documents before proposing to the President or an appointed Vice President for his/her approval on the scholarship allocation.

9. Disbursement

The Head of the candidate's original affiliate must send a disbursement request letter attached with this Announcement to the International Relations Division <u>at least 6 weeks before the</u> overseas academic mobility starts.

10. Terms and conditions

10.1 The overseas academic mobility must start before 30th September 2024 and the University shall not consider any candidate who departs or starts the online academic mobility before approval.

10.2 If the departure date or the period of the online overseas academic mobility need to be changed, the original affiliate must present a permission request for the change to the University at least 15 days before the recipient's departure, and <u>it must be approved before departure/starting date of the online overseas academic mobility</u>. If the recipient does not follow the above conditions, the Agreement will be terminated without prior notice. If the recipient spends more time abroad than the approved duration, the recipient must be responsible for the extra expenses.

10.3 If the recipient is unable to travel in order to participate in the overseas academic mobility due to force majeure such as political unrest, disaster, and disease outbreaks, the recipient can cancel the scholarship by his/her original affiliate and must submit a letter explaining the reasons to the International Relations Division. The University will be responsible for pre-travel expenses such as airfare and visa application fee etc., according to the actual paid amount but not more than the approved scholarship amount. If there are some remaining amounts of scholarship, the recipient must return it to the university.

10.4 The University does not allow shortening of the recipient's participation of the academic mobility or research project that has been approved except for force majeure, such as, an illness, disaster, accident, or political turmoil. In such cases, the recipient must send an explanation letter through his/her original affiliate to the University for consideration.

- 10.5 If the recipient is unable to complete the participation in the academic mobility or research project that has been approved, he/she must reimburse the scholarship payment calculated on the amount of the daily average rate with the deduction amount.
- 10.6 If the approval for the recipient's graduation is officially announced before the departure, the agreement for the scholarship payment shall be deemed to end immediately.
- 10.7 The recipient must report the results of participation including the report on travel, the academic exchange or research activities, problems and obstacles; financial report; and the boarding passes or the certificate of attendance to the University within 30 days after the overseas academic mobility ends.
- 11. The scholarship stated in this Announcement shall be taken from the University's income according to the 'Mahidol University Regulation on Budget and Financial Administration B.E.2551' and its revision.
- 12. The President of Mahidol University is in the position of authority over this Announcement. In case of any dispute, the judgment of the President shall be final.

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