

GRADUATE SCHOOL

The Graduate School was established in 1978 with the view to expand the capacity of the University by producing higher qualified graduates, academicians and researchers. All graduate programs offered at KKU are coordinated through the School's Central Office. Interdisciplinary programs and joint co-operation programs with other institutions, both within and outside the country, are also organized by the Graduate School.

The Graduate School is loaded with burdens in designing programs and ensures educational quality in graduate level, moreover advances the research both nationally and internationally.

Our graduate students receive a rigorous education within a sympathetic and supportive ethos. With a large connection between Graduate School and other Faculties, they make an invaluable contribution to the cultural and academic life to the University, society, and country.

Each year, the Graduate School has major responsibility to carry out postgraduate admission. The applying examination in January is for those students who will start their study in the first semester (June), whereas the examination in August is for those students who will start their study in the second semester (November). The examination committees are from corresponding faculties, but the final results of the entrance examinations must be approved by the Graduate School committee.



Graduate School's Service

What shall I get if visiting Graduate School?

Graduate School is entrusted to provide top quality service to graduate students and visitors, with further mission to give academic information, and support international students. Area of services are as follows:

Admission

Graduate School flexibly allows international students to apply throughout the year. You can check for available programs through the School's website, download the Application Form, and submit to Graduate School by mail or Email anytime. As your Application Form arrives, we will preliminary check for its completeness before send it to the related faculty. Once your admission is

accepted (you will receive the letter of acceptance additional with preparation guide documents). And if any accommodation is needed, we can also provide for you. (For the details about accommodation provision, see Accommodation below)

Throughout the admission process, if any problems arise, or if there is any problems regarding admission, our International Relation staffs will answer, give information, or even assist on the appropriate level to make your admission reaches the expected goal.

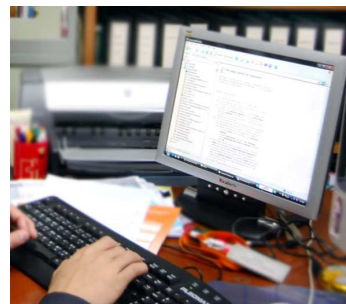
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Orientation

In order to help our new overseas students step into new life and environment at the University with confidence, Graduate School has performed the Orientation for Graduate International Students, which welcome all the overseas to attend with FREE payment. The program usually held in May and October, before the semester starts.



Throughout the orientation, you will have the opportunity to meet new students from different faculties and make friends as well as the University's staffs who will help you in academic aspects. The program additionally offers you with information and guidance concerning the University's criteria such as registration, enrollment, visa extension, thesis/IS Defense and submission, request for transcript, and further miscellaneous problems. Others events include

campus tour and town tour, meeting activities, free register for various workshops and trainings, etc.

This program is very recommended for the overseas students. As a result, if you are accepted to study in KKU, please prepare your departure within May for the first semester, and within November for the second semester so that you can join the program.

Further information toward Graduate International Students Orientation, please contact

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Registration

To register for your degree programs, it is very important to follow the academic calendar. The Office of Registrar has provided e-registration system so that students can register at <http://reg.kku.ac.th>

When log on the system for the first time, your username and password are your student ID. Once you log on the system, you can change your password later. Please check well for your subject code, credits, and group before registration. Once you have confirmed your registration, you can not change it and you must pay the fee for the current registration. Your registration will be completed only when the tuition fees have been paid at the bank. If you register for more or less than the allowed credits, you shall submit a request with an approval form the Dean before you register.

It is essential, therefore, that you check the academic calendar so that you can plan your arrival prior the registration deadline.

Thesis Submission

To ensure that your submitted thesis is correspond to the University's format and criteria, Graduate School has full responsibility to check and make sure that you have submitted the correct form. All theses, before being bound, must go through this process, also being signed by the Dean of Graduate School.

Once you have passed a Thesis Defense and a thesis has been submitted to Graduate School. The Thesis Section's staffs will take care of format checking process. The steps of thesis submission and format checking are as follows:

- Students submit a thesis, after passing a Thesis Defense.
- The Thesis Section's staffs preliminary check for its completeness, such as Thesis Certifications, others needed Forms, etc.
- The staffs check and specify the mistakes of thesis format, such as pagination, citations, etc.
- Graduate School returns the thesis to the students to be corrected (the students must come to take it by themselves, at the date specified by the Graduate School)
- The students correct the specified mistakes within 45 days.
- The students return the corrected thesis to the Graduate School.

The process will go on and on like this until there is no mistakes to be corrected anymore. The thesis shall be checked again and again, if the students do not correct the mistakes specified by the Graduate School. As the students' thesis is complete, Graduate School's staffs will assign the thesis's number, and return the thesis with the Dean's signature to the students to be bound. Once the students submit the bound thesis, the process is finish, and you just wait for graduation from the University's Council.

Further details involving thesis, see Khon Kaen University Regulations on Graduate Study 2005 and a Thesis Handbook 2007.

About thesis submission, please contact Thesis Section staffs:

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Graduate Research Journal

The journal was established as an opportunity to publish original research studies. It widely accepts articles from various academic disciplines and substantive fields.

Students or researchers, both inside and outside the University, wishing to publish their original research shall contact a Graduate School Journal's staff, and send the articles via mail or email. The articles will attain the peer-reviewed process, which takes 1-2 months before it is published. Graduate Research Journal has been published 4 books a year.

Note : According to the University's Regulation, students of academic year 2005 onward can graduate only if their articles which is a part of thesis have been published.

Wishing to publish with the Graduate School's Research Journal, please contact
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Research Scholarship

Graduate School offers 2 scholarships for international students:

Thesis Support Scholarship

The scholarship offers a financial support for research activities which is a part of thesis, with purpose to promote and support outstanding theses. Students expect to get the scholarship are strongly required to submit the project for consideration. The scholarship includes travel expenses, research materials, and accommodation. The support will not exceed 100,000 Bahts for Doctoral Thesis, and not exceed 50,000 Bahts for Master's Thesis.

The Thesis Support Scholarship is available twice a year; June and November.



Thesis Presentation Scholarship

The scholarship offers a financial support for research presentation both national and international level. Students expect to get the scholarship must carry out an acceptance for publication in academic journal/conference which has peer reviewed. The financial amount will depend on the type of presentation and the attended conference. Normally, if the conference is national, the scholarship will include a registration fee, accommodation, and transportation.



For application period, financial offered, and qualifications, please follow the Graduate School's Announcement via Graduate School's website, or contact the staff directly for the latest detail.

More scholarships are offered at Graduate School. For information relating scholarship, please ask:
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Annual Research Conferences

Graduate Research Conference has been performed annually to promoting graduate research in all fields of study. We welcome all presenters from all institutes and nations to present the research in a conference, also giving awards for the excellent research. The Conference additionally provides an opportunity to publish students' work in a Conference Proceeding.

The students wishing to attain the Conference is invited to submit manuscripts for peer-reviewed process. The presentations can be presented optionally as Poster or Oral. Accepted paper will be published in the Conference Proceedings, and the best paper will be selected to publish in Graduate School Journal. Information about deadlines and requirements for submission, please follow the Graduate School's website. Normally, the Conference has been held around the beginning of January.

Further information on Graduate Research Conferences, please contact

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Visa Extension

During the period of study, you may need to extend your visa in order to complete the thesis or to continue on your research. Graduate School's International Relation staffs are responsible for this immigration matters. Students who wish to extend your visa must do as follows:

- Preparing the letter for visa extension that the student needs to submit at the Immigration Office, which located in Bangkok and Nongkhai Province.
- Contact Graduate School for the letter with a copy of passport, student ID card, and 1,900 Baht for visa payment (pay at the Immigration Office). The first visa allows students to stay in Thailand for 3 months, but subsequent extension will allow to stay for 1 year.
- The student who leave Thailand and want to return with the same visa status must submit the Re-entry form before leaving.

Payment :

- Single re-entry = 1,000 Baht*
- Multiple re-entry = 3,800 Baht*

(* this information may subject to be changed according to the Regulation)

Note : Students must contact the Graduate School two weeks prior the expiry date.

TICA Scholarship

Students who under TICA scholarship shall contact the Graduate School for all aspects. Graduate School's staff is taking responsible in coordinating with TICA on various of academic matters such as admission, accommodation, payment, study extension, and graduation, for example.

TICA Scholarship students, please contact:

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One Stop Service

Face-to-face service connected to all sections in Graduate School office. Our purpose is to put customers first with our staffs standby to provide advice, help, and find solution on all topics specified above (admission, thesis submission, training, staff contact, and any matter regarding graduate studies).



Graduate study program

Graduate Diploma Program

The degree program that enhances expertise and professional competency for those who holds graduate degree or equivalent. This comprises of courses totaling at least twenty-four credits.

Master's Degree Program

The degree program that enhances academic progress and research into diverse areas at a higher level than undergraduate. This comprises of courses totaling at least thirty-six credits. It is divided into two plans.

Plan A:

This plan targets the research area by assigning the thesis, and may have two types: Type A (1) consists of a thesis credit that should be at least thirty-six credits. The program may assign either courses to be studied or other, non-credit activities; Type A (2) consists of a thesis credit which should be at least twelve credits, plus other credits for courses of not less than twelve credits.

Plan B:

This is a non-thesis program. However, the student must complete at least three credits (and not more than six credits) for an independent study and pass a comprehensive examination.



Postgraduate Diploma Program



The degree program that enhances expertise and professional competency for those who hold Master's degree or equivalent. This comprises of courses totaling at least twenty-four credits.

Doctoral Degree Program

The degree program that enhances academic progress and research into diverse areas at a higher level than Master's degree. The total number of credits for the whole course should be not less than seventy-two for those with a Bachelor's degree, whilst those with a Master's degree should attempt forty-eight credits. There are two types of study:

Type 1:

This emphasizes research and production of a thesis which expands academic knowledge into new areas. Students can be assigned courses, or other non-credit activities. It is divided into two groups: Type 1(1) for those holding a Bachelor's degree have to cover seventy-two credits for their thesis; and Type 1(2) for those holding a Master's degree have to cover forty-eight credits for their thesis.

Type 2:

This places emphasis on a qualified academic thesis other than assigned course study. It is divided into two groups: Type 2(1) for those holding a Bachelor's degree have to cover forty-eight credits for their thesis and have to study other courses worth not less than twenty-four credits; and Type 2(2) for those holding a Master's degree have to cover thirty-six credits for their thesis and have to study other courses worth not less than twelve credits.

Course type

Regular Course (R)

This is a regular-hour course, operated during the office hours from Monday to Friday and taught by using Thai language as a medium of instruction.

Special Course (S)

This special course can be operated on the weekend or after office hours, and taught by using Thai language as a medium of instruction.

English/International Course (E/I)

This course is designed for international students and also Thai students who intend to gain international experiences in addition to the subject knowledge. All courses are taught by using English language as a medium of instruction.

Multidisciplinary Program

The Multidisciplinary Program of Khon kaen University is under the management of Graduate School, comprising of two programs.

Master of Rural Development Management



The Master of Rural Development Management (MRDM) is a multidisciplinary program under the management of Graduate School of Khon Kaen University. The program is designed to raise multidisciplinary understanding of issues and problems confronting rural societies in developing countries, and to identify approaches for their betterment.

The MRDM program is flexible and allows some degree of student specialization in their particular areas of undergraduate study and/or previous work experience. Most graduate students in this program came from several countries, such as Japan, Cambodia, Vietnam, Laos, Bhutan, Myanmar, Indonesia, Nepal, and Sri Lanka.

This program is a one year full-time program (starting in October each year), divided into three semesters, 12-15 weeks per each semester. Open for application all year.

Doctor of Philosophy Program in Public Health

This is a joint degree program among seven health sciences-related faculties under the management of Graduate School. It is an advanced educational program for health professionals from various backgrounds related to medical and health sciences. It aims to develop and enhance advanced skill of students in establishing knowledge to solve health problems.

Administrations and Staff

If you need to contact Graduate School's Administrations and staffs via phone, please dial +66 4320 2420 (international), or 043 202 420 for locally, follow with Ext. number.

Administration

Dean of Graduate School

Assoc. Prof. Lampang Manmart (Ext. 21)

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Assist. Prof. Unchalee Tattawasart (Ext. 18)

Assoc. Dean for Planning and Information Technology

Assoc. Prof. Wanida Kanarkard (Ext. 19)



Staffs

Subin Chatdon (Ext.23)

Graduate School Secretary

Suchitra Tassanachinda (Ext. 16)

Head of Directing Office

Dilokrat Kaewwong (Ext. 33)

Head of Academic and Information Technology Office



Wimonpan Poonsawad (Ext. 24)
Paungthong Chanhong (Ext. 13)
Finance and Accounting Section

Adchara Khongyai (Ext. 15)
Procurement and Supply Section

Waewta Wankam (Ext. 25)
Personnel Section

Chirapat Chantaprai (Ext. 36)
Watcharin Paengsri (Ext. 32)
Planning and Policy Analysis Section

Rattiyakorn Wimonsiri (Ext. 32)
Supat Pibul (Ext. 27)
Thesis Section

Pornnapa Yotharith (Ext. 26)
Scholarship Section

Sittheera Samosorn (Ext. 39)
Public Relation Section

Apichet Boonchuang (Ext. 39)
IT and Computer Administrator

Patchalee Puangkot (Ext. 31)
Quality Assurance Section

Orawan Wichachai (Ext. 37)
Kanok-on Tangjitcharoenkit (Ext. 30)
International Relation Officer

Panipak Prachai (Ext. 29)
Graduate Network Section

Homhuan Nathampetch (Ext. 30)
Yaowalak Langla (Ext. 29) Multi-Disciplinary
Section

Aruntip Leemungkol (Ext. 31)
Paisan Saengsuwan (Ext. 35)
One-Stop Service

Noodaeng Tabandoo (Ext. 14)
Theerapon Malida (Ext. 12)
Materials Section

Chaleuy Butrapala (Ext. 26)
Transport Section



Office Hour

Graduate School open daily at 8.30 - 16.30 hours and close on weekend and public holiday.
Specifically on period of application of the new semester, the office will open everyday for applying
including weekend (only One Stop Service).

