

Chiang Mai University Announcement CMU Presidential Scholarship for the 2020 Academic Year

Chiang Mai University (CMU) is offering 200 fully-funded Graduate Scholarships per year, starting from the 1st Semester (August) of the 2019 academic year; an exciting opportunity to study at CMU for both Thai and foreign persons who possess a high potential and who meet our requirements. For the 2020 academic year, the first semester will begin from June, 2020, and the scholarship application periods will be opened before the beginning of the 1st Semester for the whole academic year. Any eligible candidate wishing to apply for scholarship of the 2nd semester, please contact the Program Administrative Committee Chair directly in order to find and match the thesis advisor and proceed the scholarship application in advance.

- Doctoral Degree Scholarships: 100 (in total per year)
- Master's Degree Scholarships: 100 (in total per year)

Criteria and Documents Required for the Scholarship Application:

Doctoral Degree Level

- 1. Bachelor's Degree Holder: GPA not less than 3.50 (based on the maximum of 4.00) or equivalent or
- 2. Master's Degree Holder: GPA not less than 3.50 (based on the maximum of 4.00) or equivalent. In case the applicant has studied in a master's degree program with thesis only, the applicant must have published good publication(s) or gained good results in their thesis work. (The publication should be published or accepted to be published by ISI, SCOPUS, IEEE, PubMed or by any other international publishers accepted by the Graduate School)
- 3. Research Plan provides a description, about 3-5 pages, explaining the research plans at Chiang Mai University. The scholarship is intended for original and publishable research (not for the compilation of textbooks or the writing of general surveys in the field that is studied. If possible, the applicant should contact in advance a professor at CMU in the field of intended to study to initiate the research plan together)
- 4. Certificate of English Language Proficiency dated within the last 2 years: IELTS or TOEFL only (IELTS score of 6.0, TOEFL score of 550 (PBT) or 183 (CBT) or 79 (IBT), except for applicants who are a Native English Speakers from the countries referred to below)
- 5. Two recommendation letters, one of which must be from the current or latest applicant's major advisor and the other should be from the person most familiar with his/her scholarly work (recommendations will receive a stronger consideration if they are from a professor at CMU who is expected to be his/her dissertation advisor).

Master's Degree Level

- 1. Bachelor's Degree Holder: GPA not less than 3.50 (based on the maximum of 4.00) or equivalent
- 2. An international or a regular graduate program while doing Master's Thesis (Type 1 or 2) only is applicable. (Programs with Independent Study are not applicable). International programs or programs taught in English will be given a higher priority.
- 3. Research Outline for the program applied for. At least 2 pages detailing the research outline, in addition to previous research experiences and the research work presented at the meeting and/or published to date. Please explain (i)why you are interested in the particular research area; (ii)why you should be awarded the scholarship; and (iii) how you propose to carry out the study.
- 4. Certificate of English Language Proficiency dated within the last 2 years: IELTS or TOEFL only (IELTS score of 6.0, TOEFL score of 550 (PBT) or 183 (CBT) or 79 (IBT), except for applicants who are Native English Speakers from the countries referred to below)
- 5. Two recommendation letters, one of which must be from the current or latest applicant's major advisor and the other should be from the person most familiar with his/her scholarly work (recommendations will receive a stronger consideration if they are from a professor at CMU who is expected to be his/her master's thesis advisor).

Criteria and Conditions for Graduation:

In order to graduate, the scholarship grantee must comply with the standard criteria set by the Graduate School and the additional criteria and conditions specified by the Scholarship Committee as in the following sections:

<u>Doctoral Degree Level Type 1: Dissertation or Doctoral Thesis Only</u>

- Type 1.1 (for Master's degree holder with a normal 3 years period of study):
 - At least 2 publications or acceptances to publish in an international journal. One of those must be in an ISI, Scopus, IEEE, PubMed or Web of Science database and must be in a quartile 1 or 2 ranked by SCImago with the student as the first author, and at least 1 publication in an international conference accepted by the field of study and the Graduate School
 - The publications with the student as the first author must specify the "Graduate/PhD/Master's Degree Program in …, Faculty/College/School/Institute of …, Chiang Mai University, under the CMU Presidential Scholarship" in the affiliation or acknowledgement.
- Type 1.2 (for Bachelor's degree holder with a normal 5 years period of study):
 - At least 2 publications or acceptances to publish in an international journal listed in an ISI, Scopus, IEEE, PubMed or Web of Science database. One of those must be in a quartile 1 or 2 ranked by SCImago with the student as the first author. And at least 1 publication in an international conference accepted by the field of study and the graduate school.
 - The publications with the student as the first author must specify the "Graduate/PhD/Master's Degree Program in ..., Faculty/College/School/Institute of ..., Chiang Mai University, under the CMU Presidential Scholarship" in the affiliation or acknowledgement.

Doctoral Degree Level Type 2: Dissertation or Doctoral Thesis with Course Work

- Type 2.1 (for Master's degree holder with a normal 3 years period of study):
 - At least 1 publication or acceptance to publish in an international journal listed in an ISI, Scopus, IEEE, PubMed or Web of Science database and must be in a quartile 1 or 2 ranked by SCImago with the student as the first author, and at least 1 publication in an international conference accepted by the field of study and the graduate school.
 - The publications with the student as the first author must specify the "Graduate/PhD/Master's Degree Program in ..., Faculty/College/School/Institute of ..., Chiang Mai University, under the CMU Presidential Scholarship" in the affiliation or acknowledgement.
- Type 2.2 (for Bachelor's degree holder with a normal 5 years period of study):
 - At least 2 publications or acceptances to publish in an international journal. One of those must be in an ISI, Scopus, IEEE, PubMed or Web of Science database and must be in a quartile 1 or 2 ranked by SCImago with the student as the first author, and at least 1 publication in an international conference accepted by the field of study and the graduate school.
 - The publications with the student as the first author must specify the "Graduate/PhD/Master's Degree Program in …, Faculty/College/School/Institute of …, Chiang Mai University, under the CMU Presidential Scholarship" in the affiliation or acknowledgement.

Master's Degree Level Type 1: Master's Thesis Only

- At least 2 publications or acceptances to publish in an international journal listed in an ISI, Scopus, IEEE, PubMed or Web of Science database. One of those must specify the student as the first author with the affiliation or acknowledgement to specify "Graduate/PhD/Master's Degree Program in ..., Faculty/College/School of ..., Chiang Mai University, under the CMU Presidential Scholarship".

Master's Degree Level Type 2: Master's Thesis with Course Work

- At least 1 publication or acceptance to publish in an international journal listed in ISI, Scopus, IEEE, PubMed or Web of Science database with the student as the first author with the affiliation or acknowledgement to specify "Graduate/PhD/Master's Degree Program in …, Faculty/College/School/Institute of …, Chiang Mai University, under the CMU Presidential Scholarship".

Termination of Scholarship (for both Doctoral and Master's Degrees):

- 1. Deceased
- 2. Resignation
- 3. Misbehaviour
- 4. Lack of a full-time student status or the eligibility to apply for the scholarship
- 5. Unable to live in Thailand due to the Laws, Rules or Regulations of Thailand or for any other reasons
- 6. Any other reason(s) that the advisor or Faculty/College/School/Institute has proposed to terminate the scholarship and the scholarship committee has approved the decision, *e.g.*, unable to study, not performing well, lack of study progress, *etc*.

Period of Study:

- 1. Doctoral Degree Level Type 1.1 and Type 2.1: normally 3 years, a maximum of 6 years
- 2. Doctoral Degree Level Type 1.2 and Type 2.2: normally 5, years, a maximum of 8 years
- 3. All types of Master's Degrees: normally 2 years, a maximum of 5 years

Scholarship Period:

The scholarship covers only the normal period of study for each program.

- 1. Doctoral Level Type 1.1 and Type 2.1: a maximum of 3 years
- 2. Doctoral Level Type 1.2 and Type 2.2: a maximum of 5 years
- 3. All types of Master's Degrees: a maximum of 2 years

Scholarship Payment (will be made via the bank account after all documents are approved and the contract is duly signed):

- 1. Tuition Fee: THB 50,000 to 200,000, depending on each program (will be paid directly to the Program as per actual fee)
- 2. Life, Accident and Health Insurance: THB 3,000 per year (will be paid directly to the insurance company)
 - 3. Books and Stationery: paid in lump sum, THB 3,000 per semester
- 4. Living Allowance (Food, Accommodation, Local Travelling): THB 12,000 per month while staying in Thailand (if living or doing research outside Thailand, a special agreement is required and the living allowance provided by the scholarship must be approved by the committee)
 - 5. Settlement Allowance: THB 6,000 on arrival
- 6. Thesis Publication Allowance: paid in lump sum, THB 6,000 (once when the manuscript has been accepted to publish)
- 7. Air Fare or any other travel expenses from home town/city/country to CMU, and from CMU to home town/city/country: as per actual cost with a maximum of THB 15,000 per trip (once for arrival and once for departure, reimbursement is based on actual receipts).

Restitution:

Scholarship Grantees may have to restitute a total or part of the received scholarship under any one of the following conditions.

- 1. Fails to Graduate within a certain period
- 2. The scholarship has been terminated due to one of the reasons mentioned above, except upon death.

Restitution may be exempt in an individual case upon the approval of the scholarship committee.

Others:

The scholarship grantees are required at times to contribute and engage in activities organized by the university, graduate school, faculty, college or institute on an appropriate regular basis and period.

Application:

Apply and upload required documents to: http://admission.grad.cmu.ac.th/admissions/indexeng.php within the specified period only.

Applicants are required to apply for an intended study program along with the scholarship application. All required documents as mentioned above should be in PDF or JPG format and must be submitted on line, e.g. bachelor's and master's (if available) transcripts, English proficiency certificate, letters of recommendation, research plan and any other supporting documents such as publications and a letter of recommendation from a CMU potential major advisor that states the expected outcomes from receiving the scholarship. The applicants must present the originals and copies of Transcript(s), English test result and personal ID card/passport on student registration and contract signing day.

Applicants who have graduated from a foreign country with a past study record (transcript) and any other required documents not in English must also attached the official translations.

If the Grading System is different from that of Thailand, the applicant must attach an official proof of equivalence to the Thailand Grading System.

Application Schedule for the 2020 Academic Year:

Processes	Period/Date	Period /Date
	Round 1	Round 2
1. Application Period	1 Nov – 27 Dec 2019	18 Feb – 30 April 2020
2. Student and Advisor Matching	2-10 Jan 2020	31 April – 8 May 2020
3. Screening by Graduate Level Scholarship	15 Jan 2020	13 May 2020
Administration Committee		
4. Approval by CMU Presidential Scholarship Committee	20 Jan 2020	18 May 2020
5. Scholarship Awards Announcement	22 Jan 2020	20 May 2020
6. Contract Signing	23 Jan – 8 Feb 2020	21 May – 6 June 2020
7. Report in person and register as a Full-Time Student	8 Feb 2020	6 June 2020
at the CMU Registration Office (originals and copies of		
required documents must be presented)		
8. Beginning of 1 st Semester of the 2020 Academic Year	22 June 2020	22 June 2020

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CMU Presidential Scholarship Payment for Doctoral Degree

First Year:

Allowances (in THB)	
Tuition Fee: will be paid directly to the program by CMU as per actual fee (depending on each program)	
2. Life, Accident and Health Insurance: will be paid directly to the insurance company	3,000
3. Books and Stationery: THB 3,000 per semester (paid in lump sum)	
4. Living Allowance (Food, Accommodation, Local Travelling): THB 12,000 per month	
5. Settlement Allowance: (Once on arrival)	6,000
6. Air Fare or any other travel from home town/city/country to CMU (Once on arrival): actual air fare cost but not more than THB 15,000	15,000

Second Year or the Year within the Period of Study:

Allowances (in THB)	in total Yearly
1. Tuition Fee: will be paid directly to the program by CMU as per actual fee	
(depending on each program)	
2. Life, Accident and Health Insurance: will be paid directly to the insurance company	
3. Books and Stationery: THB 3,000 per semester (paid in lump sum)	
4. Living Allowance (Food, Accommodation, Local Travelling): THB 12,000 per month	

Final Year:

Allowances (in THB)	
1. Tuition Fee: will be paid directly to the program by CMU as per actual fee	50,000-
(depending on each program)	200,000
2. Life, Accident and Health Insurance: will be paid directly to the insurance company	3,000
3. Books and Stationery: THB 3,000 per semester (paid in lump sum)	6,000
4. Living Allowance (Food, Accommodation, Local Travelling): THB 12,000 per month	144,000
5. Thesis Publication Allowance in Lump-sum: THB 6,000	6,000
6. Air Fare from CMU back to home town/city/country (Once on leaving): actual air	15,000
fare costs but not more than THB 15,000	

CMU Presidential Scholarship Payment for Master's Degree

First Year:

Allowances (in THB)	
1. Tuition Fee: will be paid directly to the program by CMU as per actual fee (depending on each program)	50,000- 200,000
2. Life, Accident and Health Insurance: will be paid directly to the insurance company	3,000
3. Books and Stationery: THB 3,000 per semester (paid in lump sum)	
4. Living Allowance (Food, Accommodation, Local Travelling): THB 12,000 per month	
5. Settlement Allowance: (Once on arrival)	6,000
6. Air Fare or any other travel from home town/city/country to CMU (Once on arrival): actual air fare cost but not more than THB 15,000	15,000

Final Year:

Allowances (in THB)	in total Yearly
1. Tuition Fee: will be paid directly to the program by CMU as per actual fee (depending on each program)	50,000- 200,000
2. Life, Accident and Health Insurance: will be paid directly to the insurance company	3,000
3. Books and Stationery: THB 3,000 per semester (paid in lump sum)	6,000
4. Living Allowance (Food, Accommodation, Local Travelling): THB 12,000 per month	144,000
5. Thesis Publication Allowance in Lump-sum: THB 6,000	
6. Air Fare from CMU back to home town/city/country (Once on leaving): actual air fare costs but not more than THB 15,000	15,000

Note: 1) Minor adjustments in the criteria and conditions may be made upon the conclusion of the scholarship committee which it will be announced in advance.

- 2) The scholarship grantee must follow all the Rules and Regulations of CMU as one of the CMU students, and also follow Laws, Rules and Regulations of Thailand as applicable to a foreigner living in Thailand.
- 3) Native English Speakers are those who are born and living in the countries as referred to in this website: https://www.sheffield.ac.uk/international/english-speaking-countries.

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