



**Thaksin University Announcement**  
**Applications for Admission to Doctoral Studies**  
**Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Program in Sustainable Development (English Program)**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Semester, Academic Year 2023**

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Thaksin University would like to open the admission to a doctoral degree, Doctor of Philosophy (Ph. D.) Program in Sustainable Development (English Program) for 1<sup>st</sup> semester, academic year 2023, in various fields:

- Society and Culture
- Politics and Government
- Education
- Economics and Management
- Natural Resources and Environment
- Science and Technology
- Well-being and Public Health

**1. Qualifications of Applicants**

- 1.1 Good command of communication in English
- 1.2 Clear record of good behavior
- 1.3 No severe contagious disease or any disease that will obstruct their studies
- 1.4 The specific qualification requirements are as follows:

**Course form 1.1**

Applicants must have thesis-based Master's degrees with the GPA of at least 3.50 **or** published a research paper at the national or international level.

1.5 Required documented English language proficiency with a minimum English score in one of the following English language tests:

1.5.1 TOEFL (The Test for English as a Foreign Language)

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| - Paper-Based (TOEFL Paper)  | score 500 |
| - Computer Based (TOEFL CBT) | score 173 |
| - Internet Based (TOEFL IBT) | score 61  |

1.5.2 IELTS (International English Testing System) score 5.5

1.5.3 Other standardized English proficiency test approved by Thaksin University Language Center

1.5.4 Applicants, whose test scores are not included in the above list or who graduated from foreign institutions where English is the language of instruction, will be considered on a case by case basis.

In the case that the English proficiency test does not meet the above criteria, the decision is at the discretion of the Examination Committees, with the approval of the program chair.

## 2. Selection Criteria

2.1 Applicants will be considered based on their educational background, research and/or work experiences including recommendation letters from educational and work experiences references, along with record of good behavior.

2.2 Applicants will be considered based on their thesis proposal (following the university form as attached file in this announcement). The applicants must have a thesis proposal to connect with potential advisors (Internal and external advisors). Applicants who need help on proposal preparation and consulting for the advisor, Please contact **Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sompong O-Thong** by E-mail ([sompong.o@gmail.com](mailto:sompong.o@gmail.com)). The university will ask the advisor to approve the thesis proposal before admission.

2.3 Online interview via Phone/Face Time /Video Call/Skype/WebEx or onsite interview

## 3. Features of the Program

3.1 Regular program - to study after hours.

3.2 The semester system -an academic year is divided into 2 semesters.

3.3 Duration course -The 3 year's course requires the duration of study not more than 6 academic years.

3.4 Curriculum Design

Course 1.1 for graduate students who have completed a thesis-based Master's degree with the GPA of at least 3.50 or published a research paper at the national or international level.

## 4. Number of Admissions

Program / Subject Field	Regular program
	Number of admissions
Ph.D. in Sustainable Development (English program)	Course 1.1 = 5 students

## 5. Cost of Study

5.1 Tuition fee of 100,000 Baht per semester (not more than 6 semesters).

5.2 Application fee of 1,500 Baht.

## 6. Application

**6.1. Apply online at: [http:// ic.tsu.ac.th](http://ic.tsu.ac.th) by April 20, 2023** with the application process as follows:

6.2.1 Select a course to apply.

6.2.2 Save the application message in the system.

6.2.3 Please print out the form to fill in your information on the application form ( English Version) as attached file and send the scanned file to E-mail: **international.icts@gmail.com**.

6.2.4 Please pay the fee with money transfer to **Siam Commercial Bank: Account number: 691-2-36609-3**

6.2.5 Send the proof of application (see item no.7) to International College,Thaksin University. 140 Moo.4 Kanjanavanit Road, Khaorupchang, Muang Songkhla District, Songkhla 90000 Tel.074-317696 or scan the files and send to E-mail: **international.icts@gmail.com** by **April 24, 2023**

It is the responsibility of the applicants to check their application information and examination venue, available on the website <http://ic.tsu.ac.th>. The applicants who do not submit the application documents and/or do not pay the application fee within the specified time are not eligible to take the examination.

## 7. Required Documents of Application

7.1 Completely fill in the application form and attached 1 inch photograph 1 photograph to the application form.

7.2 Photocopy of Bachelor's degree and Master's degree certificate in the size of A4 paper. These documents consist of:

7.2.1 A photocopy of degree or certificate of graduation

7.2.2 A photocopy of official transcript

7.3 A photocopy of applicant's identification card or passport, front and back

side 7.4 A photocopy of name/surname change certificate (if any)

7.5 A thesis proposal (University's template)

7.6 A photocopy of application fee pay-in slip

**Remarks:** For applicants who graduated from foreign higher education institutions, the university reserves the right to verify the applicants' qualifications regardless of the length of time. If the qualification of the applicants do not comply with the admission requirements of the university, the applicants will be disqualified from application and the paid fee is non-refundable in any case. Although the university announced the admission result, that result shall be held invalid and the applicants do not have the right to register as a TSU student. If that unqualified applicant registered as a TSU student, the student's status becomes invalid immediately.

## 8. Process Time

Process	Period
Apply online at: <a href="http://ic.tsu.ac.th">http://ic.tsu.ac.th</a> .	February 13, 2023 – April 20, 2023
Payment for the application by transfer to Siam Commercial Bank	February 13, 2023 – April 20, 2023
Final date of application and document submission	April 24, 2023
Announcement of applicants who will be interviewed	April 27, 2023
Interview Examination online (Telephone/ Face time/ Video Call/ Skype/ WebEx) or onsite	May 2, 2023
Announcement of the interview result	May 8, 2023
Payment for authorization. The person who passed the admission has to pay for authorization at 5,000 THB by transfer to Siam Commercial Bank. Account Number: <b>691-2-36609-3</b>	May 8-15, 2023

## 9. Announcement of the name list who selected

Candidates who were selected in the interview have to pay for authorization within **May 8-15, 2023**. Otherwise, the authorization of student will not be accepted. Candidates have to develop and complete their proposal, which must be approved by the International Graduate Committee. The International College Officer will deliver this information to the academic affairs to process the announcement of the selected applicants who can be represented as TSU graduate students. To be able to enroll in the semester, the candidates must verify if their names are listed in the website: [www://ic.tsu.ac.th](http://www://ic.tsu.ac.th)

## 10. Representative to be the student

Candidates who were selected have to represent yourself to be the graduate student as following the date that the university announce on the announcement of name list who selected. Candidate who not represent to be the graduate student and not attend the orientation as following the date will be not accepted to be the graduate student of university, and International College will not refund any payment.

## 11. Document preparation and self-report information

- 11.1 Two photocopies of degree or certificate of graduation.
- 11.2 Two photocopies of transcripts.
- 11.3 A photocopy of identification card/passport.
- 11.4 A photocopy of house registration document.

## 12. Contact Details

International College Officer , Thaksin University, 140 Moo 4, Kanjanavanich Road, Khao Rup Chang, Muang, Songkhla 90000 Thailand, Tel: +66 7431 7696 ,Fax: +66 7431 7697 **Website:** [www.ic.tsu.ac.th](http://www.ic.tsu.ac.th) or **E-mail:** [international.icts@gmail.com](mailto:international.icts@gmail.com).

Announced on February 10, 2023

(Assoc. Prof. Dr. Suttiporn Boonmak)  
Vice President of Academic Affairs and Learning  
Acting Director of International College



**APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO THE  
THAKSIN UNIVERSITY  
INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE PROGRAM  
Ph.D. in Sustainable Development (English Program)**

**How to complete this form:**

- Write legibly in black ink
- Attach all the required documents
- Sign where required
- With the application fee
- Add page if needed

**1. PERSONAL DETAILS**

Title:..... Name as in passport/id:.....

Date of birth (day/month/year):..... Gender:.....

Citizenship (list all):.....

Country of birth:..... Main language:.....

Address for correspondence:.....

..... Country:.....

Telephones:..... Facsimile:.....

Permanent address in home country:.....

..... Country:.....

Telephone:..... Fax/Email:.....

**2. DEGREES & EXPERIENCE**

**List highest qualifications beginning with most recent.**

• Qualification and years of study:.....

Institution and country:.....

Full time- years of study:.....

Official ratio of coursework: research:.....

• Qualification and date:.....

Institution and country:.....

Full time- years of study:.....

Official ratio of coursework: research:.....

• Year of professional work experience:.....

Employer(s) and address (es):.....

No. of publications in refereed journals:.....

Journal references of publications:.....

Memberships of professional societies:.....

**3. PROGRAM APPLIED FOR**

- Ph.D. by Research & Thesis
- Transfer to Ph.D. from another Doctoral Program

Why have you chosen this course?.....

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Preferred date of commencement:.....

#### 4. REFERENCES

List names and contact details of two referees who may be asked for confidential advice about your suitability.

**Referee 1. Position/Title:**.....

**Name:**.....

**Relationship to applicant:**.....

**Address:**.....

**Country:**.....

**Telephone:**..... **Fax/Email:**.....

**Referee 2. Position/Title:**.....

**Name:**.....

**Relationship to applicant:**.....

**Address:**.....

**Country:**.....

**Telephone:**..... **Fax/Email:**.....

#### 5. ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

IELTS/TOEFL Scores.....or Native English speaker or equivalent

#### 6. FINANCIAL GUARANTEE

- I have sufficient funds for fees and living costs
- Family funds sufficient for fees and living costs
- I have a scholarship from:.....

The scholarship covers the following:.....

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#### 7. SIGNED DECLARATION

I declare that:

- All information herein is true and complete (failure to disclose relevant information may result in exclusion)
- Thaksin University International Graduate Program may make enquiries about me from any source.
- If I am awarded any financial assistance from Thaksin University I may hold another equivalent award at the same time and will declare all other assistance.
- I will be able to meet all fees and living costs for the expected full duration of the program in which I enroll.
- If I am awarded any assistance from Thaksin University on the basis of misleading information, I will repay all fees, allowances, remissions and others.

- My personal information may be released to the Royal Thai Government.
- I must be easily contacted for an application interview.
- Thaksin University may inform other tertiary institutions if any of the material presented to support my application is found to be false.
- All documents submitted become the property of Thaksin University International Graduate Program.
- The application fee is non-refundable.

#### 8. APPLICATION FEE

- I attach the 1,500 Baht application fee
- I attach a receipt

Name of applicant (please print): .....

Signature: ..... Day: Month: Year: .....

#### 9. ATTACHMENTS

- Two academic referee reports of past performance, signed by accredited educational institution; different referees from section 4.
- A copy of your curriculum vitae summarizing academic and professional experience certified by you as accurate.
- Two recent clear passport-size photographs.
- One copy of all information pages of passport certified as true by representative of your university or relevant embassy with the name, position, and address of the representative clearly signed on the photograph page.
- One English copy of all professional qualifications certified as true by a designated officer of the granting institution - translations must be signed by the same officer.
- One copy of academic transcripts that include enrolment dates, subjects, grades and the title of the award conferred certified as true by a designated officer of the granting institution - translations must be signed by the same officer.
- Certified copies of IELTS or TOEFL results
- A one-page outline of the field of study interest for Master's and two pages for Ph.D. coursework programs, and two and four-page research proposal outlines for research-based Masters and Ph.D. programs respectively.

**Note:** If you feel that any requirement in the form is not relevant to your application, please duly record this in the appropriate Section and indicate the reasons here below.

Please submit documents in scanned form to:  
 Email: **international.icts@gmail.com**  
 Fax: +66(0) 74317697  
 With copy by secure post to:  
 International College, Thaksin University  
 140 Karnjanawanich Road, Muang Songkhla 90000 Thailand



**Thesis outline**  
**Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Program in Sustainable Development**  
**(English Program)**

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**1. Name of Applicant**

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**2. Research Topics**

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**3. Source and concept of research**

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**4. Theories and related research**

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**5. Objectives of the research**

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**6. Scope and Research Methodology**

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**7. The expected benefits**

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**8. List of experts in this research topic (if any)**

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