



Graduate School, Khon Kaen University Announcement 111/2021

Subject: Overseas Research Scholarships for Graduate Students

The Fiscal Year 2022

To promote and support graduate students to develop their academics and research experiences, as Khon Kaen University has MOU with higher education institutes abroad. Hence, Graduate School assists students in conducting academic work abroad by providing Overseas Research Scholarships for graduate students to research their thesis abroad. The scholarship requirements are as follows.

1. Terms and conditions

- (1) Being a graduate student with active status, the study program must be on a dissertation or thesis program only.
- (2) The research proposal must be approved, and student's status must always be active while researching abroad.
- (3) Have a letter of acceptance from a host institute lecturer. The study must be carried out as part of the dissertation or thesis. The research period must be at least four weeks long, and the activity schedule must be clearly stated.
- (4) The applicant must not have received any scholarship with an allowance to pay for the education abroad. If the applicant has received any other scholarship for study abroad, they must waive this scholarship.
- (5) The scholarship will not be awarded to the person who has received, waived/ or ignored scholarship contract/conditions.
- (6) Willing to agree with Graduate School requirements, e.g., completing a report and participation evaluation using a Graduate School Report Form and submitting it to

Graduate School within 15 days after arriving in Thailand. In addition, the applicant must present the research at the time, date, and location scheduled by Graduate School.

- (7) Able to pay for the other costs such as health insurance, university fees, passport, Visa, and other expenses.
- (8) The host institute, where student chooses for research, should have an academic MOU with Khon Kaen University (university or faculty level is accepted). If the institute does not have an MOU with Khon Kaen University, the candidate may be considered secondarily.
- (9) Researching abroad must comply with the measures to prevent the spread of Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) of that country. The scholarship recipient must be responsible for other expenses such as the quarantine cost, health insurance, and the cost of testing for coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19). In addition, the recipient must strictly comply with Khon Kaen Province's announcements and Khon Kaen University measures to prevent Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).
- (10) The departure date for researching abroad must be within September 30, 2022

2. Scholarship Financial Supports

The scholarship expense is based on the destination region/country. The scholarship covers flight tickets and/or other transportations, accommodation, allowances, and other expenses. Graduate School provides the budget as an all-inclusive price based on the committee's consideration, but it will not exceed the rate shown in the table below:

No.	Region/Country	Financial Amount (Baht)
1	ASIA (Except No.2 and No.3)	30,000
2	India/Philippines/Indonesia/Malaysia	35,000
3	China/Korea/Hong Kong/Taiwan/Western Asia	50,000
4	Japan/Australia/New Zealand/Eastern Europe	60,000
5	Western Europe/United States/Canada	70,000
6	For other countries, the financial amount depends on the committee's consideration	

3. Grantee's responsibilities and the supports from the Graduate School and Khon Kaen University

- (1) The grantee must proceed these following procedures: (might be assisted by the thesis advisor)
 - 1) Contact with coordinator in abroad for the travel preparation and procedures.
 - 2) Apply for Passport and Visa
 - 3) Book for flight tickets, accommodation, and others related
 - 4) Submit related documents to the Graduate School for signing a scholarship contract and receive the scholarship fund from the Revenue Department of Khon Kaen University.
 - 5) The grantee must submit a report of research aboard, related travel documents, and a copy of the passport which specified departure and arrival date within 15 days after arriving in Thailand.
 - 6) The grantee must include the name, source, and year of the scholarship in the thesis acknowledgments and other works such as academic journals and conference proceedings papers.
- (2) Graduate School will support these followings:
 - 1) Provide a scholarship certificate for the grantee to apply for Visa
 - 2) Process for budget approval
 - 3) Process for the fund disbursement

4. Scholarship Selection Criteria

- (1) The Graduate School will consider the application documents based on their completeness and accuracy, following Graduate School Announcement on criteria, conditions, and budget.
- (2) If the number of eligible applications exceeds the scholarship funding, Graduate School will consider based on these priorities.
 - 1) The destination institute has MOU with Khon Kaen University (university or faculty level is accepted
 - 2) The research plans/activities must clearly state the importance, objectives, and necessities of researching abroad.

- 3) Good command in English is required (Speaking, Reading, and Writing). Applicants with good TOEFL or IELTS scores are advantaged.
- (3) The applicants must be available for an interview at the time and date scheduled by the Graduate School.
- (4) If a grantee does not stay until the end of the specified period, the grantee must reimburse the Graduate School. Unless there is a valid reason, the refund must be as the following amount:

$$\text{Amount of Refund} = \frac{\text{Amount of Fund} \times \text{The number of remain days}}{28}$$

5. Application Procedures

Applicants must submit 3 copies of the following documents:

- (1) Application form (attached with this announcement) with 1” photo (not older than 6 month)
- (2) A copy of transcript
- (2) A Letter of Acceptance from the destination institute
- (3) Certificate of student status issued by Office of Registrar, Khon Kaen University
- (4) Curriculum Vitae or Resume in English
- (5) Letter of Permission from the Dean of the applicant’s faculty (attached with this announcement)
- (6) A copy of MOU between Khon Kaen University and the destination institute (If any)
- (7) Other related documents that could be benefit to the selection process (If any) such as TOEFL, or IELTS score report
- (8) A copy of the Proposal Submission Form for Thesis Approval (GS Form No.23) and a copy of the thesis proposal
- (9) Fill the application form on GSMIS System (<http://gsmis.gs.kku.ac.th>)
Log in and click “Scholarship” on the menu bar to fill the “online application form” and print out 1 copy.

* Please arrange all documents as 3 sets of copies and submit them to Graduate School One Stop Service, 3rd Floor, Bimala Kalakicha Building, Khon Kaen University.

6. Scholarship Application Schedule

The scholarship application schedule of the fiscal year 2022 has divided into 3 phases as follows:

Activities	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
1.Period of research abroad	October 1, 2021 – January 31, 2022	February 1, 2022 – May 31, 2022	June 1, 2022 – September 30, 2022
2. Submit application	September 8-13, 2021	January 7-14, 2022	May 6-12, 2022
3. List of eligible candidates for the interview	September 15, 2021	January 19, 2022	May 18, 2022
4. Interview date	It will be announced with the announcement of eligible candidates for the interview.		
5. List of grantees	September 23, 2021	January 27, 2022	May 27, 2022
6. Submit documents for scholarship disbursement	Within 15 days after arrived in Thailand		

7. The Dean of Graduate School is responsible for this announcement and has authority to launch orders, rules, or practices that is not contrary to or inconsistent with the announcement.

8. If any dispute arises from this announcement, the Dean of the Graduate School has the final authority regarding arbitration, and his/her decision is final.

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