Khon Kaen University (KKU) was one of four regional universities established in 1964 as part of a decentralized development plan for higher education in Thailand. The campus is located in the Northwestern sector of Khon Kaen, just a few kilometers from the center of the city. Situated in a most attractive park, the campus covers approximately 900 hectares.

From small beginnings, KKU has grown enormously and is today home to seventeen faculties, three academic support centers, 2 academic service centers, a hospital and a research institute. In addition several new institutes are currently in pipeline and will, in time, open the University's door further to the public and increase its roles, responsibilities and commitments to the region around.

Currently the number of students is approximately 27,449 (including 7,000 postgraduates and about 113 students from overseas.) Although some students are housed in one of the 25 Halls of Residence, many students choose to find their own accommodation off campus.
The University Vision:
Khon Kaen University is a leading university in the ASEAN, and is a learning-based, research-based, quality-based, and community and national development-based university with good governance.

The University Mission:
Khon Kaen has the mission to:
1) produce graduates with well-balanced knowledge, morals and wisdom;
2) expand the university research to serve the community;
3) provide services to the community through the university community outreach program; and
4) support our cultural heritage; for the university well-balanced and long-lasting development of the Northeast and the nation.

The University Seal, Symbolic Tree and Color
The KKU Seal is Prathart Phnom, the Holy Relics Pagoda

As for the KKU Seal, His Excellency the Nobleman, Phraya Anumarn Ratchathon designated Mr. Bhinit Suwannaboon to design the KKU Seal. At first stage the seal was designed as Prathart Phnom Flanked at both sides with golden puppyhead tailed with flamed pattern, and at the underside of the Pagoda was the University name inscribed on silk taffeta.

Subsequently, His Excellency the Nobleman, Phraya Anumarn Ratchathon had brought up the University Seal design to consult with the designer and scholars of the Royal Academy. It was deemed appropriate to substitute the golden puppyhead with gods in gesture of conferring auspices to the institute. The name of the university is inscribed on the log instead of silk taffeta. Still, the background is divided into 3 spaces signifying the 3 goodnesses of students:
- Knowledge signifies Progressive Knowledge
- Manner signifies Gracious Manners
- Wisdom signifies the Wisdom Generated Education and Thought.

The KKU Tree is the Pink Cassia (Cassia Bakeriana)

The KKU Color is the Red-soiled Color
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**Transportation in Campus**

The university has coordinated with the private sector in providing mini-bus for convenience of students and public.

There are two kinds of bus; the mini-bus (No.8 blue color and No. 16 red color) and air-conditioned bus No. 15 (yellow color)

Route : The bus gets through almost every faculties and the main places on the campus such as Food and Service Center, Central Library and Convention Hall, and go through downtown. It also serves the passengers to several important places in downtown such as the Bus Station, Air-conditioned Bus Station, Police Station, central mall (Fairy Plaza)

Rate : 5 Baht for children/ students (in uniform)  
6 Baht for within campus  
8 Baht for adults and after 6.00 p.m.  
10-14 Baht for air-conditioned bus

*Bus rate can be changed according to economic matters*

Time of service : 5.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. For map of bus line, see Directory

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Accommodation

Within the university there provide the dormitory for international students who have requested to stay on campus. The charge is according to size of room, quality, and facilities. Normally, the on-campus dormitory ranges from 3,000-5,000 Baht per month. (See Daily Living section- University Accommodation)

Note

- It is very important for student to confirm arrival date at least 2 weeks prior departure. Or else the dormitory may become unavailable. In that case, the university would take every effort to find a private dormitory instead (which usually unavailable). Or you have to take the temporary accommodation at your own expense until the room is arranged. (See below)

- University do not provide accommodation for students’ family or follower. Therefore, you will have to find the off-campus houses by yourself.

- Renting accommodation need advance payment and deposit costing 2 times to the rental rate. The deposit is refundable when you check out. Make sure you have enough money for these matters.

The Temporary Accommodation (On Campus)

Mekong Institute
Single room = 450 Baht/ night Twin room = 450 Baht/ night Mini Suite = 550 Baht/ night Big Suite = 700 Baht/ night All rooms have air-conditioner, hot water heater for shower, TV, refrigerator
Tel: (66) (043) 202411-2 Fax: (66) (043) 343131.

Nursing Dormitory
Single room = 300 Baht/ night Twin room = 400 Baht/ night Suite = 500 Baht/ night All rooms have air-conditioner, hot water heater for shower, TV, refrigerator
Tel: (66) (43) 362011

Kwanmor
Twin room = 550 Baht/ night All rooms have air-conditioner, hot water heater for shower, TV, refrigerator
Tel/Fax: (66) (043) 343097

Day-to-Day Wora Residence

Language Provision

All international students have to meet the criteria as to Graduate School’s admission requirement (further details, visit http://inter.gs.kku.ac.th - Admission Requirement). Once students don’t meet the criteria on English Test, they are required to take the English class that provided by Graduate School. The class comprises of 3 levels for Doctoral Degree and one for the Master; 411 711 Reading in English for Graduate Student. Note that passing the course is a condition on to degree completion.
International students may optionally attend Thai class, which will provide basic skill on speaking, listening, reading and writing Thai. You can check for the class schedule at Graduate School prior the beginning of semester.

**Registration**

Students status would be complete after registering during the Orientation. Details of the registration will be announced later along with the orientation program.

**KKU Office Hours**

Offices in Khon Kaen University are usually open daily at 8.30 - 16.30 hours and 08:30 - 15:30 hours for banks, but close on weekend and public holidays. Some specifically open on Saturday such as post office but only a half of day.