



## Announcement

Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University

**Subject: English Proficiency Standard of Graduate Diploma Students, Master Degree Students, and Higher Graduate Diploma Students for Academic Year 2024 onwards**  
**B.E. 2567**

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The Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University, deems it appropriate to revise the English language proficiency standard of students in the Graduate Diploma program, Master Degree program, and Higher Graduate Diploma program (Thai and International programs). This is to ensure appropriateness and alignment with Mahidol University's vision of providing a seamless and uniform graduate education experience that follows the same guidelines and practices.

By virtue of No. 114 and No.115 of Mahidol University Regulations on Graduate Studies B.E. 2567 and the resolutions of the 9/2566 meeting of the Committee of the Faculty of Graduate Studies on September 6, 2023, the Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, therefore, announces as follows:

No. 1 In this announcement,

“Faculty of Graduate Studies” refers to the Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University.

No. 2 In addition to cases under No. 6 or No. 7, applicants who have registered and paid the registration fee as new students in the Graduate Diploma program, Master Degree program, and Higher Graduate Diploma program starting from the academic year 2024 onwards must undergo an English language proficiency test (MU GRAD TEST (Computer-Based) - Placement Test) with the Faculty of Graduate Studies once during the first semester of the first year of enrollment. This is to inform students of the English language courses they need to register for in order to meet the English proficiency standard for graduation as specified in No. 4.

Applicants undergoing the English language proficiency test will be charged an application fee of 1,000 Baht per person following Clause 1 in the announcement of the Faculty of Graduate Studies on Other Payments for Graduate Students (No. 2).

The results of the English language proficiency test, as per Clause 1, can be combined with the scores from the Speaking Section to form MU GRAD Plus. This is to meet the English language proficiency standard for graduation as specified in No.3.

In this regard, students who do not meet the English language proficiency standard for graduation as outlined in No. 3 in the first semester of their first academic year must enroll in English language courses as specified by the Faculty of Graduate Studies in the second semester of their first academic year. This is to ensure that the students meet the language proficiency standard for graduation in accordance with No. 4.

No. 3 In addition to the cases in No. 4, No. 5, and No. 7, applicants from the Graduate Diploma program, Master Degree program, and Higher Graduate Diploma program in all fields enrolled from the academic year 2024 onwards and who have chosen English as a foreign language must have passed one of the following English language proficiency tests according to the specified score for the **English language proficiency standard for graduation**:

Test Score Type	Score level		
	Total Score	Speaking	Writing
MU GRAD Plus (MU GRAD TEST + Speaking Section)	70 or above	10 or above	10 or above
IELTS (Academic Module)	5.0 or above	5.0 or above	5.0 or above
TOEFL iBT	64 or above	15 or above	17 or above
MU ELT	84 or above	10 or above	10 or above

The results of the English language proficiency test, as per Clause 1, are valid for a period not exceeding two years from the test date, and students are required to submit the test results to the Language Center of the Faculty of Graduate Studies prior to the expiration of the test results.

No. 4 Students who do not meet the English language proficiency standard as stated in No. 3 can choose to retake the English language proficiency test until they meet the specified standard for graduation. After achieving the specified standard, they can then submit the test results in accordance with No. 3, Clause 2, or register for English language courses as specified by the Faculty of Graduate Studies. Students must pass such courses to fulfill the English language proficiency standard for graduation prior the final thesis or dissertation examination.

Score Level			Course to be Registered
IELTS	TOEFL iBT	MU GRAD Plus	
4.5	52 – 63	56 – 69	<p><b>Register</b> for <b>ONE</b> course from either Group 1 or Group 2 as follows:</p> <p><u>Group 1</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. GRID 516 Thesis Writing for Graduate Studies</li> </ol> <p>Or</p> <p><u>Group 2</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Select <b>ONE</b> from the following:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.1 GRID 332 Thesis Writing in Physical Sciences and Biosciences <u>or</u></li> <li>1.2 GRID 533 Thesis Writing in Social Sciences and Humanities</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
4.0	42 – 51	48 – 55	<p><b>Register</b> for <b>TWO</b> courses from either Group 1 or Group 2 as follows:</p> <p><u>Group 1</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. GRID 515 Speaking and Writing in Academic Context for Graduate Studies</li> <li>2. GRID 516 Thesis Writing for Graduate Studies</li> </ol> <p>Or</p> <p><u>Group 2</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. GRID 531 English Academic Writing II</li> <li>2. Choose <b>ONE</b> from the following:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2.1 GRID 332 Thesis Writing in Physical Sciences and Biosciences <u>or</u></li> <li>2.2 GRID 533 Thesis Writing in Social Sciences and Humanities</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
3.0 – 3.5	32 – 41	40 – 47	<p><b>Register</b> for <b>THREE</b> courses from either Group 1 or Group 2 as follows:</p> <p><u>Group 1</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. GRID 514 Reading and Writing in Academic Context for Graduate Studies</li> <li>2. GRID 515 Speaking and Writing in Academic Context for Graduate Studies</li> <li>3. GRID 516 Thesis Writing for Graduate Studies</li> </ol> <p>Or</p>

Score Level			Course to be Registered
IELTS	TOEFL iBT	MU GRAD Plus	
			<p><u>Group 2</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. GRID 530 English Academic Writing I</li> <li>2. GRID 531 English Academic Writing II</li> <li>3. Choose <b>ONE</b> from the following:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3.1 GRID 332 Thesis Writing in Physical Sciences and Biosciences <u>or</u></li> <li>3.2 GRID 533 Thesis Writing in Social Sciences and Humanities</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
Less than 3.0	Less than 32	Less than 40	<p><b>Register</b> for FOUR courses from either Group 1 or Group 2 as follows:</p> <p><u>Group 1</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. GRID 517 Essential English Grammar for Graduate Studies</li> <li>2. GRID 514 Reading and Writing in Academic Context for Graduate Studies</li> <li>3. GRID 515 Speaking and Writing in Academic Context for Graduate Studies <u>and</u></li> <li>4. GRID 516 Thesis Writing for Graduate Studies</li> </ol> <p>Or</p> <p><u>Group 2</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. GRID 517 Essential English Grammar for Graduate Studies</li> <li>2. GRID 530 English Academic Writing I</li> <li>3. GRID 531 English Academic Writing II <u>and</u></li> <li>4. Choose <b>ONE</b> from the follows:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4.1 GRID 332 Thesis Writing in Physical Sciences and Biosciences <u>or</u></li> <li>4.2 GRID 533 Thesis Writing in Social Sciences and Humanities</li> </ol> </li> </ol>

No. 5 Students in the following Graduate Diploma program, Master Degree program, and Higher Graduate Diploma program are required to meet higher English language proficiency standards than those specified for students in the Graduate Diploma program, Master Degree program, and Higher Graduate Diploma program as determined in No. 3.

5.1 English language proficiency standard for admission

Faculty/Program/Field of Study	Score Level			
	MU GRAD Plus	IELTS	TOEFL iBT	MU ELT
(1) Faculty of Dentistry (1.1) Master of Science program - Implant Dentistry (International program) - Dentistry (International program) - Oral Biology and Integrative Biomedical Science (International program) - Orthodontics (International program) - Geriatric Dentistry - Operative Dentistry - Advanced General Dentistry (1.2) Higher Graduate Diploma program - Orthodontics (International program) (1.3) Graduate Diploma in Clinical Science program - Dentistry	70 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)	5.0 or above (Writing = 5.0 or above and Speaking = 5.0 or above)	64 or above (Writing = 17 or above and Speaking = 15 or above)	84 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)
(2) Faculty of Medicine Siriraj Hospital (2.1) Master of Science program - Health Science Education (International program) - Health Science Education (Special program) - Clinical Psychology - Pharmacology and New Drug Development (International program) - Medical Bioinformatics (International program)	70 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)	5.0 or above (Writing = 5.0 or above and Speaking = 5.0 or above)	64 or above (Writing = 17 or above and Speaking = 15 or above)	84 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)
	70 or above	5.0 or above	64 or above	84 or above
	40 or above	3.0 or above	32 or above	84 or above

Faculty/Program/Field of Study	Score Level			
	MU GRAD Plus	IELTS	TOEFL iBT	MU ELT
(3) International College (3.1) Master of Management program - International Tourism and Hospitality Management (International program) (Special program)	70 or above	6.0 or above	79 or above	84 or above
(4) Faculty of Pharmacy	40 or above	3.0 or above	32 or above	84 or above
(5) Faculty of Information and Communication Technology	40 or above	3.0 or above	32 or above	84 or above
(6) College of Music (6.1) Master of Music program (International program)	40 or above	3.0 or above	32 or above	84 or above
(7) Faculty of Science (7.1) Master of Science program - Forensic Science (International program)	40 or above	3.0 or above	32 or above	84 or above

5.2 English language proficiency standard for graduation

Faculty/Program/Field of Study	Score Level			
	MU GRAD Plus	IELTS	TOEFL iBT	MU ELT
(1) Faculty of Dentistry (1.1) Master of Science program - Implant Dentistry (International program) - Dentistry (International program) - Oral Biology and Integrative Biomedical Science (International program) - Orthodontics (International program) - Geriatric Dentistry - Operative Dentistry - Advanced General Dentistry (1.2) Higher Graduate Diploma program - Orthodontics (International program) (1.3) Graduate Diploma in Clinical Science program - Dentistry	70 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)	5.0 or above (Writing = 5.0 or above and Speaking = 5.0 or above)	64 or above (Writing = 17 or above and Speaking = 15 or above)	84 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)

Faculty/Program/Field of Study	Score Level			
	MU GRAD Plus	IELTS	TOEFL iBT	MU ELT
(2) Faculty of Medicine Siriraj Hospital (2.1) Master of Science program - Health Science Education (International program) - Health Science Education (Special program) - Clinical Psychology - Pharmacology and New Drug Development (International program) - Medical Bioinformatics (International program)	70 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)	5.0 or above (Writing = 5.0 or above and Speaking = 5.0 or above)	64 or above (Writing = 17 or above and Speaking = 15 or above)	84 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)
(3) International College (3.1) Master of Management program - International Tourism and Hospitality Management (International program) (Special program)	70 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)	6.0 or above (Writing = 5.0 or above and Speaking = 5.0 or above)	79 or above (Writing = 17 or above and Speaking = 15 or above)	84 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)
(4) Faculty of Pharmacy	70 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)	5.0 or above (Writing = 5.0 or above and Speaking = 5.0 or above)	64 or above (Writing = 17 or above and Speaking = 15 or above)	84 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)
(5) Faculty of Information and Communication Technology	70 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)	5.0 or above (Writing = 5.0 or above and Speaking = 5.0 or above)	64 or above (Writing = 17 or above and Speaking = 15 or above)	84 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)
(6) College of Music (6.1) Master of Music program (International program)	70 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)	5.0 or above (Writing = 5.0 or above and Speaking = 5.0 or above)	64 or above (Writing = 17 or above and Speaking = 15 or above)	84 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)
(7) Faculty of Science (7.1) Master of Science program - Forensic Science (International program)	70 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)	5.0 or above (Writing = 5.0 or above and Speaking = 5.0 or above)	64 or above (Writing = 17 or above and Speaking = 15 or above)	84 or above (Writing = 10 or above and Speaking = 10 or above)

No. 6 Students, participating in the undergraduate and graduate degree for double degree program at Mahidol University who wish to submit their English language proficiency results to meet the English language proficiency standard for graduation must submit the test results in accordance with the graduate-level English language proficiency standard for graduation as specified in No. 3 or No. 5, as applicable. These results should be submitted to the Language Center of the Faculty of Graduate Studies upon enrollment in the undergraduate program.

No. 7 Exemption for submitting English language proficiency results, an English language proficiency test (MU GRAD TEST (Computer-Based) - Placement Test), and registering for English language courses is granted to students in the Graduate Diploma program, Master Degree program, and Higher Graduate Diploma program who meet any of the following qualifications:

7.1 A student who has submitted English language proficiency results that fulfill the English language proficiency standard for graduation.

7.2 A student who is a native English speaker, including those holding citizenship in countries where English is an official language can proficiently use English as a language expert. This includes the United Kingdom, the United States of America, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Ireland, Singapore, and the Republic of South Africa. Alternatively, those who have successfully completed a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree from a country where English is an official language, such as the United Kingdom, the United States of America, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Ireland, Singapore, and the Republic of South Africa;

Students who meet the qualifications stated in Clause 1 should submit a proposal along with the following supporting documents to the program committee for approval.

(1) A document verifying the student's nationality

(2) A certification of graduation from the educational institution specifying the completion of a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree

(3) An academic transcript at the bachelor's, master's, or doctoral level

Upon approval by the program committee, the program shall provide a copy of the approval along with the specified supporting documents to the Faculty of Graduate Studies for further approval.

7.3 Students who have passed the English language courses as specified by the Faculty of Graduate Studies in No. 4



No. 8 In the event that there is a problem regarding the interpretation or implementation of this announcement, the Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies has the authority to make a decision, and the Dean's decision shall be regarded as final.

From now onwards

Announced on 26 August 2024

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized 'D' followed by a checkmark-like flourish.

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