



Announcement
The Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University
Subject: English Proficiency Standard of Doctoral Program Students
Academic Year 2020 onwards
Year 2019

It is expedient to revise the English language standard of students in the doctoral programs (Thai and International Programs) of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University in order to comply with Mahidol University's vision to be determined as a world-class university and ensure that the graduate degrees of Mahidol University are achieved in the same direction with the implemented practical guidelines.

By authority of Item 35, Item 56 and Item 57 of Mahidol University's rules on graduate studies of 2013 and the resolution of the Faculty of Graduate Studies' board meeting at the eighth meeting dated 8/2019 on 7 August 2019, the Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, therefore, announced as follows:

Item 1. Applicants for doctoral programs in all fields starting from the academic year 2020 onwards must have one of the English language proficiency test scores that meet the minimum requirement of English language proficiency for admission as follows:

Test Score Type	Score Level
MU GRAD Plus (MU GRAD TEST + Speaking Section)	40 or above
IELTS (Academic Module)	3.0 or above
TOEFL iBT	32 or above

Item 2. To be qualified for graduation, students in the doctoral programs in all fields, studying from the academic year 2020 onwards and selecting English as their second language, must have one of the English language proficiency test scores that meet the English language proficiency requirement as follows:

Test Score Type	Score Level		
	Test Score	Speaking	Writing
MU GRAD Plus (MU GRAD TEST + Speaking Section)	90 or above	12 or above	12 or above
IELTS (Academic Module)	6.0 or above	6.0 or above	6.0 or above
TOEFL iBT	79 or above	19 or above	23 or above

Item 3. The Certificate of English language proficiency testing results, according to this announcement, will be accepted only if it is no more than two years old from the date of examination, and students must submit the test result to the Language Center, the Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University prior to the expiration of the test result.

Item 4. Students, who have the English language test results that do not meet the English language proficiency criteria set out in item 2, can select taking the English language proficiency test until they meet the English language standard, or they can register for the following English courses specified by the Faculty of Graduate Studies and pass such courses to fulfill the English Language Proficiency requirement prior to the final thesis or dissertation examination.

Score Level			Course that must be registered
IELTS 6.0 (W=6.0, S=6.0)	TOEFL iBT 79 (W=23, S=19)	MU GRAD Plus 90 (W=12, S=12)	
5.0 – 5.5	64 – 78	70 – 89	Register for <u>ONE</u> course as follows: 1. GRID 537 Oral Presentation Skill
4.5	52 – 63	56 – 69	Register for <u>TWO</u> courses as follows: 1. Choose <u>ONE</u> from the follows: 1.1 GRID 532 Thesis Writing in Physical Sciences and Biosciences <u>Or</u> 1.2 GRID 533 Thesis Writing in Social Sciences and Humanities 2. GRID 537 Oral Presentation Skill
4.0	41 – 51	48 – 55	Register for <u>THREE</u> courses as follows: 1. GRID 531 English Academic Writing II 2. <u>Choose ONE</u> from the follows: 2.1 GRID 532 Thesis Writing in Physical Sciences and Biosciences <u>Or</u> 2.2 GRID 533 Thesis Writing in Social Sciences and Humanities 3. GRID 537 Oral Presentation Skill

Score Level			Course that must be registered
IELTS 6.0 (W=6.0, S=6.0)	TOEFL iBT 79 (W=23, S=19)	MU GRAD Plus 90 (W=12, S=12)	
3.0 – 3.5	32 – 40	40 – 47	<p>Register for <u>FOUR</u> courses as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. GRID 530 English Academic Writing I 2. GRID 531 English Academic Writing II 3. <u>Choose ONE</u> from the follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3.1 GRID 532 Thesis Writing in Physical Sciences and Biosciences <i>Or</i> 3.2 GRID 533 Thesis Writing in Social Sciences and Humanities 4. GRID 537 Oral Presentation Skill
Below 3.0	Below 32	Below 40	<p>Register for <u>FIVE</u> courses as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. GRID 517 Essential English Grammar for Graduate Studies 2. GRID 530 English Academic Writing I 3. GRID 531 English Academic Writing II 4. <u>Choose ONE</u> from the follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4.1 GRID 532 Thesis Writing in Physical Sciences and Biosciences <i>Or</i> 4.2 GRID 533 Thesis Writing in Social Sciences and Humanities 5. GRID 537 Oral Presentation Skill

Item 5. In the case that any program specifies the standard of English proficiency for admission or graduation for students of the doctoral programs higher than the standard of English proficiency requirements set by the Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University mentioned in the Item 2, the English language proficiency standard criteria specified by that program shall be used.

Item 5.1 The English language proficiency standard criteria for admission for **those students** in doctoral programs in the faculties/programs are as follows:

Faculty/Program	Score Level		
	MU GRAD Plus	IELTS	TOEFL iBT
1. Dentistry 1.1 in Dental Biomaterials (International Program) 1.2 in Oral Biology (International Program)	90 or above (Writing = 12 or above, and Speaking = 12 or above)	6.0 or above (Writing = 6.0 or above and Speaking = 6.0 or above)	79 or above (Writing = 23 or above, and Speaking = 19 or above)

Item 5.2. The English Proficiency Standard criteria for graduation for **those students** of the doctoral programs in the faculties/programs are as follows:

Faculty/Program	Score Level		
	MU GRAD Plus	IELTS	TOEFL iBT
1. Dentistry 1.1 in Dental Biomaterials (International Program) 1.2 in Oral Biology (International Program)	90 or above (Writing = 12 or above, and Speaking = 12 or above)	6.0 or above (Writing = 6.0 or above and Speaking = 6.0 or above)	79 or above (Writing = 23 or above, and Speaking = 19 or above)

Item 6. In the case that there is a problem regarding the interpretation or implementation of this announcement, the Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies is the person with the authority to make a decision and the Dean's decision shall be final.

From now onwards

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