



Announcement

The Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University

Subject: Extension of Suspension Period for Thesis/Thematic Paper Examination Procedures for Graduate Students in Bangkok Metropolis and all Restricted Areas and Thesis/Thematic Paper Examination Procedures for Graduate Students during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Outbreak

Pursuant to the Order of the Prime Minister, by virtue of Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (No. 5), issued on 1st May B.E. 2563 and taking effect on 3rd May B.E. 2563 onwards, Clause 2 of the Order issued the prohibition and restrictions on some engagements and activities: (1) all schools and institutions shall be prohibited for the use of facilities required for teaching and learning, **examinations**, trainings, and all other activities or events with a number of participants, **except for the use of distance communication engagement via electronic platforms**. Under the Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (No. 4), issued on 29th April B.E. 2563 and took effect on 1st May B.E. 2563, the last paragraph stated that **all notifications or orders of the Governor of Bangkok**, Provincial Governors, competent officials responsible for infectious diseases control under the Communicable Diseases Act, and persons of authority under civil aviation and immigration legislation regarding any prohibition, permission or relaxation previously issued shall **remain in force** until further notice.

The Faculty of Graduate Studies therefore extends the period for **suspension** of all thesis/thematic paper examination procedures **in campuses in Bangkok** following the Faculty of Graduate Studies' announcement regarding the Suspension of Thesis/Thematic Paper Examination for Graduate Students in Bangkok and Other Restricted Areas during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic, announced on 10th April B.E. 2563, and the announcement shall remain in effect until further notice.

The thesis/thematic paper examinations shall be held at the venues whereby approval is granted and **only the members of the examination committee and the examinee are allowed to be present at the venues, and each individual venue shall accommodate no more than 7 attendees**. As the thesis/thematic paper examination is required to be open to general public,

the examination committee must arrange teleconferencing. The Chair of the examination committee shall notify the Meeting ID of the videoconferencing examination to the Faculty of Graduate Studies at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled examination time so that the public announcement can be made on the website.

The thesis/thematic paper examinations conducted online shall follow the Faculty of Graduate Studies' announcement on the Guidelines for Graduate Students, Advisors, Program Chairs, and those Concerned under the Circumstances Resulting from the Outbreak of COVID-19, announced on 20th March B.E. 2563.

The announcement shall take effect from 3rd May B.E. 2563 onwards until further changes.

Please be informed accordingly and abide by this announcement.

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