



FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES



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Organized as a separate entity, breaking away from the Faculty of Humanities in 2003, the Faculty of Social Sciences has grown rapidly in many academic dimensions, encompassing quality of the professional staff, enrollment increase, and numbers of publications in the national and international areas.

During the past decade, faculty members have almost doubled from 27 in 2005 to 53 in 2013. At least 7,000 graduates are contributing to the field of social sciences in various capacities. Partnerships contracted both within the country and abroad have brought about a multitude of findings. Some alliances worth citing are: The United States Agency for International Development, Center for Peace and Reconciliation Studies, and Coventry University. A noted international research on conflicts is currently being carried out in Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Thailand.

The Master of Political Science is recognized as the leader through the department's reputable faculty members, especially in the lower northern region of Thailand.

The Master of Arts Program in Social Development is designed to cultivate the students' ability in strategic designing and planning for social development project management. The students are expected to efficiently manage the natural resources and be able to apply the research-based academic knowledge for practical utilization.

The Master of Arts Program in Southeast Asian Studies is an area-based interdisciplinary discipline, covering multifaceted thought-systems, philosophies, civilizations, histories, economics, societies, cultures, ethnicities, languages, environments, and the like.

Serving as a center for a meeting of the minds among researchers of Southeast Asian Studies, the program intends to educate graduate students in becoming skillful and capable of producing a new body of knowledge related to the ASEAN community and the Southeast Asian region.

Master of Political Science

Research Focus

- Good Governance
- Public Policy
- Local Politics
- Southeast Asia
- East Asia
- Democratization
- Globalization
- Regionalism
- Thai Foreign Policy

Structure of the Program

1. Credit Requirements *

Requirements	Option 1.2	Option 2.1
Coursework	24	30
- Core Courses	15	15
- Electives	9	15
Required Non-credit Course	4	4
Thesis	12	-
Independent Study	-	6
Total	36	36

* Minimum credits required

2. Core Courses

Requirements	Option 1.2		Option 2.1	
	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.
Theories and Concepts of Political Science	833511	3	833511	3
Theory and Concepts in International Politics	833512	3	833512	3
Theories and Concepts of Public Administration	833513	3	833513	3
Local Governance and Management	833514	3	833514	3
Thai Politics and Government	833515	3	833515	3
Total	5	15	5	15

3. Electives

Requirements	Option 1.2		Option 2.1	
	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.
Political Ethics	833521	3	833521	3
Political Theory	833522	3	833522	3
Alternative Political Theories	833523	3	833523	3
Selected Problems in Comparative Politics	833524	3	833524	3
State and Society	833525	3	833525	3
Politics and Government in East Asia	833526	3	833526	3
Politics and Government in Southeast Asia	833527	3	833527	3
Selected Problems in Political Economy	833528	3	833528	3
International Politics in East Asia	833531	3	833531	3
Contemporary Issues in International Relations	833532	3	833532	3
Global Political Economy	833533	3	833533	3
Seminar in Security Studies	833534	3	833534	3
Foreign Policy Analysis	833535	3	833535	3
ASEAN in World Politics	833536	3	833536	3
Great Powers in Global Politics	833537	3	833537	3
Problems in International Organization and Law	833538	3	833538	3
Human Resource Management and Development	833541	3	833541	3

Requirements	Option 1.2		Option 2.1	
	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.
Public Policy	833542	3	833542	3
Conflict Management Techniques	833543	3	833543	3
Fiscal Management and Budget	833544	3	833544	3
Public Sector Management and Techniques	833545	3	833545	3
Thai State and Local Administration	833546	3	833546	3
Public Management	833547	3	833547	3
Public Organization and Administrative Behavior	833548	3	833548	3
Total	≥3	≥9	≥5	≥15

4. Required Non-credit Courses

Requirements	Option 1.2		Option 2.1	
	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.
Research Methodology in Social Sciences	833501	3	833501	3
Seminar	833502	1	833502	1
Total	2	4	2	4

5. Thesis Credit Requirements

Requirements	Option 1.2		Option 2.1	
	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.
Thesis 1, Option 1.2	833561	6	-	-
Thesis 2, Option 1.2	833562	6	-	-
Independent Study 1	-	-	833571	2
Independent Study 2	-	-	833572	2
Independent Study 3	-	-	833573	2
Total	2	12	3	6

Master of Arts Program in Social Development

Research Focus

- Social Development
- Project Management
- Social Policy Implementation
- Area-based Issues
- Strategic Designing and Planning
- Sustainable Development

Structure of the Program

1. Credit Requirements *

Requirements	Option 1.1	Option 1.2	Option 2.1
Coursework	-	24	30
- Core Courses	-	18	18
- Electives	-	6	12
Required Non-credit Courses	8	8	8
Thesis	36	12	-
Independent Study	-	-	6
Total	36	36	36

* Minimum credits required

2. Core Courses

Requirements	Option 1.1		Option 1.2		Option 2.1	
	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.
Sociological and Anthropological Theories	-	-	830511	3	830511	3

Requirements	Option 1.1		Option 1.2		Option 2.1	
	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.
Social Development Theory	-	-	830512	3	830512	3
Strategic Designing and Planning	-	-	830513	3	830513	3
Social Development Administration	-	-	830514	3	830514	3
Social System Analysis	-	-	830515	3	830515	3
Public Consciousness, Contemporary Issues and Development Trends	-	-	830516	3	830516	3
Total	-	-	6	18	6	18

3. Electives

Requirements	Option 1.1		Option 1.2		Option 2.1	
	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.
Theory and Evaluation on Impact from Development	-	-	830521	3	830521	3
Sociology and Anthropology of Development	-	-	830522	3	830522	3
Capacity Building for Group, Organization and Community	-	-	830523	3	830523	3
Development Tools and Techniques	-	-	830524	3	830524	3
Public Policy on Development	-	-	830525	3	830525	3
Development Policy toward Social and Cultural Change	-	-	830526	3	830526	3
Population, Society and Development	-	-	830527	3	830527	3
Substantive Social Development	-	-	830528	3	830528	3
Total	-	-	≥2	≥6	≥4	≥12

4. Required Non-credit Courses

Requirements	Option 1.1		Option 1.2		Option 2.1	
	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.
Research Methodology in Social Sciences	830517	3	830517	3	830517	3
Statistics for Social Sciences Research	830518	3	830518	3	830518	3
Seminar	830571	1	830571	1	830571	1
Regional Studies	830572	1	830572	1	830572	1
Total	4	8	4	8	4	8

5. Thesis Credit Requirements

Requirements	Option 1.1		Option 1.2		Option 2.1	
	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.
Thesis 1, Option 1.1	830591	9	-	-	-	-
Thesis 2, Option 1.1	830592	9	-	-	-	-
Thesis 3, Option 1.1	830593	9	-	-	-	-
Thesis 4, Option 1.1	830594	9	-	-	-	-
Thesis 1, Option 1.2	-	-	830595	3	-	-
Thesis 2, Option 1.2	-	-	830596	3	-	-
Thesis 3, Option 1.2	-	-	830597	6	-	-
Independent Study 1	-	-	-	-	830581	2
Independent Study 2	-	-	-	-	830582	2
Independent Study 3	-	-	-	-	830583	2
Total	4	36	3	12	3	6

Master of Arts Program in Southeast Asian Studies

Research Focus

- Social and Cultural Histories
- Tourism and Cultural Management
- Pop Cultures in Southeast Asia
- Contemporary Politics in Southeast Asia

Structure of the Program

1. Credit Requirements *

Requirements	Option 1.1	Option 1.2
Coursework	-	24
- Core Courses	-	9
- Electives	-	15
Required Non-credit Courses	4	4
Thesis	36	12
Total	36	36

* Minimum credits required

2. Core Courses

Requirements	Option 1.1		Option 1.2	
	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.
The State of Southeast Asian Studies	-	-	834511	3
Theories and Concepts in Pre-modern Southeast Asia	-	-	834512	3
Theories and Concepts in Modern Southeast Asia	-	-	834513	3
Total	-	-	3	9

3. Electives

Requirements	Option 1.1		Option 1.2	
	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.
Cultural and Social History in Southeast Asia	-	-	834521	3
Economic Geography in Southeast Asia	-	-	834522	3
Contemporary Politics in Southeast Asia	-	-	834523	3
Religious Movements in Southeast Asia	-	-	834524	3
World Heritage and Museum in Southeast Asia	-	-	834525	3
Creative Tourism in Southeast Asia	-	-	834526	3
Popular Culture in Southeast Asia	-	-	834527	3
Contemporary Literature in Southeast Asia	-	-	834528	3
Special Topics in Southeast Asian Studies	-	-	834529	3
Total	-	-	≥5	≥15

4. Required Non-credit Courses

Requirements	Option 1.1		Option 1.2	
	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.
Research Methodology in Social Sciences	834501	3	834501	3
Seminar in Southeast Asian Studies	834502	1	834502	1
Total	2	4	2	4

5. Thesis Credit Requirements

Requirements	Option 1.1		Option 1.2	
	Course No.	Cr.	Course No.	Cr.
Thesis 1, Option 1.1	834561	9	-	-
Thesis 2, Option 1.1	834562	9	-	-
Thesis 3, Option 1.1	834563	9	-	-
Thesis 4, Option 1.1	834564	9	-	-
Thesis 1, Option 1.2	-	-	834571	6
Thesis 2, Option 1.2	-	-	834572	6
Total	4	36	2	12