

## Mae Fah Luang University's Announcement Subject: Scholarship Criteria for Graduate Students Year 2020

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To encourage and support those with excellent academic records and high potential to apply to graduate school, promote publication of high quality research which is beneficial and brings international distinction to the university, and maintain the university's position as one of the leading ASEAN universities, the scholarship criteria for graduate students in year 2020 have been announced.

According to section 26 of Mae Fah Luang University's act of 1998 and the academic council's approval in the 5/2020 meeting on  $7^{th}$  May 2020, it is appropriate to announce the important criteria concerning scholarships for graduate students as follows:

- 1. This announcement is called "Mae Fah Luang University's Announcement. Subject: Scholarship Criteria for Graduate Students Year 2020."
- 2. The enforcement is active from the day after the announcement.
- 3. Scholarship applicants must meet the following conditions:
  - 3.1 The scholarship applicants must be students or eligible candidates of the university's master's/doctoral program that require completion of a thesis/dissertation.

## 3.2 For eligible applicants:

- 1) The scholarship applicants applying for master's degree must have a GPAX in their bachelor's degree of at least 3.00 (4.00 system), or equivalent.
- 2) The scholarship applicants applying for a doctoral degree from their bachelor's degree must have a GPAX of at least 3.25, or equivalent. Applicants with a GPAX lower than 3.25 but not below 3.00 must have a publication or an awarded academic work at the national/international level.

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- 3) The scholarship applicants applying for a doctoral degree from their master's degree must meet either of the following conditions:
  - (a) The scholarship applicants must have a GPAX from their master's degree of at least 3.50, or equivalent.
  - (b) The scholarship applicants must have a publication in a journal that appears in the SCImago Journal Rank (SJR) or Web of Science (ISI) in Q1 or Q2.
- 3.3 The scholarship applicants must have a topic for their thesis/dissertation and have an advisor who meets criteria number 4 of this announcement as stated in the university's regulations.
- 3.4 The thesis/dissertation has a co-advisor who is on duty in a foreign country and meets the university's criteria in which the co-advisor must have the qualifications according to the university's regulations for graduate education.
- 4. The main advisor of the scholarship applicants must meet the following conditions:
  - 4.1 The advisor is a permanent lecturer of the university who is qualified to be an advisor in the curriculum that the applicant is applying for.
  - 4.2 The advisor has at least 2 publications in the past five years in journals that appear in the SCImago Journal Rank (SJR) or Web of Science (ISI) in Q1 or Q2 and the publications must not be part of the advisor's degree fulfillment.
  - 4.3 The total number of advisees under the advisor's supervision including the applicants must not exceed the criteria in the university's regulations for graduate education.
  - 4.4 The advisor has never supervised any scholarship applicants who violated criteria number 8.5 of this announcement.
- 5. The qualified applicant must submit the application form according to the university's annual announcement.
- 6. The scholarship applicants for graduate level must be qualified according to criteria number 3 of this announcement and be approved by the university to deserve the scholarship.

- 7. The scholarship recipients will receive a tuition grant according to the applied program from the semester that the scholarship is approved to the last semester of the program. This excludes other fees and expenses (if any) which are required by the university for the following periods of time:
  - 7.1 The master's degree will not be granted for more than 2 academic years.
  - 7.2 The doctoral degree from a master's degree will not be granted for more than 3 academic years.
  - 7.3 The doctoral degree from a bachelor's degree will not be granted for more than 5 academic years.
- 8. The scholarship's conditions
  - 8.1 The scholarship recipients must sign an agreement contract with the university as provided by the university.
  - 8.2 The scholarship recipients must maintain regular student status throughout the period of the scholarship.
  - 8.3 The scholarship recipients must submit grade reports and progress reports on their thesis/dissertation to the university by the end of every semester during the scholarship period and both documents must be approved by the main advisor.
  - 8.4 The main advisor and co-advisor on duty in a foreign country must supervise the scholarship recipients until the completion of the scholarship recipient's degree.
  - 8.5 The scholarship recipients' thesis/dissertation must be published in journals that appear in the SCImago Journal Rank (SJR) or Web of Science (ISI) in Q1 or Q2 with the following requirements:
    - (a) At least 1 publication for master's degree
    - (b) At least 2 publications for doctoral degree

The publications must have the scholarship recipients as the first author, the main advisor as the co-author or the corresponding author or co-author and Mae Fah Luang University as the affiliation.

- 8.6 The scholarship recipients must mention the university's scholarship in the thesis/dissertation's acknowledgement and submit the thesis/dissertation to the university after the completion of the degree.
- 9. The university will terminate the scholarship should any of the following occur:
  - 9.1 The scholarship recipient is retired from their student status.
  - 9.2 The scholarship recipient receives a GPAX lower than 3.25 for two consecutive semesters or receives a U in the subject of thesis/dissertation in any semester.
  - 9.3 The scholarship recipient fails to follow criteria number 8 of this announcement.
  - 9.4 The scholarship recipient takes leave or has an educational break without a reasonable explanation.
  - 9.5 The scholarship recipient cheats on an examination or commits plagiarism.
  - 9.6 The university will terminate the scholarship in any other case considered appropriate by the university.
- 10. The president follows this announcement; should the president be unable to follow this announcement, the president has the authority to make decisions necessary to solve any issues that may arise. The president's decisions are final.

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