

## Mae Fah Luang University Notification

On 'Procedure for Monitoring Dissemination of Research Articles in National and International Academic Journals and Publications in Fulfillment of Postgraduate Degrees' Requirements, BE 2567 (2024)

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One requirement for the fulfillment of a postgraduate degree is that each student must have his/her thesis or dissertation, either in entirety or in part, published or at least accepted for publication in a national or international academic journal or publication meeting the higher education quality standards. In compliance with this requirement, Mae Fah Luang University stipulates that the student submit proof of acceptance of a research article for publication as a degree completion requirement.

Therefore, Mae Fah Luang University needs to establish a clear procedure for submission of proof of acceptance of a research article for publication and for monitoring the dissemination of the research article, to uphold the University's higher education quality standard.

Empowered by Article 26 of Mae Fah Luang University Act, BE 2541 (1998), the Postgraduate Studies Committee's resolution reached in meeting 1/2567 (2024) on 26 January 2024, and the Academic Council's resolution reached in meeting 2/2567 (2024) on 7 February 2024, Mae Fah Luang University hereby issues this notification, as detailed hereunder.

- 1. This notification is referred to as 'Mae Fah Luang University Notification on Procedure for Monitoring Dissemination of Research Articles in National and International Academic Journals and Publications in fulfillment of Postgraduate Degrees' Requirements, BE 2567 (2024)'.
  - 2. This notification takes immediate effect.
- 3. The Office of the Postgraduate Studies shall process the relevant information on the students who, for the purpose of degree completion fulfillment, have obtained letters of acceptance of research articles for dissemination in national or international academic journals or publications, and shall accordingly notify the students' thesis or dissertation supervisors and the

schools to which the students are affiliated. The supervisors and the schools shall, in turn, monitor the students' dissemination of their research articles on a semesterly basis.

4. In the case that a research article submitted for the purpose of degree completion fulfillment has been accepted for dissemination in a national or international academic journal or publication, when the publication is due, as stated in the letter of acceptance, the student shall

do the following.

4.1 If the research article is published before the student's graduation, the student shall submit the proof of research dissemination to the Office of the Postgraduate Studies within

30 days of publication.

4.2 If the research article is published after the student's graduation, the student's

thesis or dissertation supervisor is required to monitor the progress and submit the proof of

research dissemination to the Office of the Postgraduate Studies within 30 days of publication.

However, if, when the publication is due, the research article has not been published in

the academic journal or publication stated in the letter of acceptance, the student's thesis or

dissertation supervisor, or the Programme Administration Committee, shall report this fact to the

School's Postgraduate Studies Committee, the Postgraduate Studies Committee, and the

Academic Council for further consideration whether to submit a different article for publication or

to take another course of action.

Incidentally, if it can be proved that a student's letter of acceptance for dissemination of a research article in a national or international academic journal or publication for the purpose of degree completion fulfillment has been faked or illicitly obtained, the offence must be reported

to the University's Board of Trustees, to subsequently consider revoking the student's degree.

5. In any case where this notification is found inapplicable, or where the situation dictates

a course of action other than stated herein, the Academic Council retains the authority to exercise

discretion and adjudicate the issue. The Academic Council's adjudication is final.

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