

# Master of Arts (Philosophy & Religion)

2 years Program  
Thesis & Non-Thesis Options



## SKILLS AND ABILITIES ACQUIRED BY STUDENTS OF PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION

- Identifying Problems
- Problem Analysis
- Learning How to Learn
- Independent Thinking
- Clarity in Communication
- Attentive Listening / Concentration
- Careful Reading
- Using IT Resources
- Logical Thinking
- Vision / Imagination / Creativity
- Interpretation / Sensitivity
- Cooperation and Compromise
- Sound-argument Construction
- Identifying Logical Inconsistencies
- Considering Unfamiliar Ideas
- Evaluating Opposing Arguments
- Evaluating Consequences
- Crossing Traditional Subject Boundaries
- Independence in Working
- Flexibility of Thinking
- Self-criticism
- Self-motivation

## ADMISSION SCHEDULE 2017

	1/2017 (August 2017 - December 2017)	2/2017 (January 2018 - May 2018)	Time/Place
<b>Application Deadline</b>	Thu, 20 July 2017	Thu, 14 December 2017	Mon-Fri 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Sat 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Sun 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
<b>Entrance Exam (Written)</b>	Sat, 29 April 2017 (Early Applications) AU-English Proficiency Test Sat, 22 July 2017 (Normal Applications) AU-English Proficiency Test	Sun, 17 December 2016 AU-English Proficiency Test	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, Room TBA
<b>Interview</b>	Wed, 26 July 2017	Wed, 20 December 2017	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, Room TBA
<b>Entrance Results</b>	Mon, 31 July 2017	Tue, 2 January 2018	1:00 p.m. Room C101, C Bldg. 10th Flr.
<b>Registration</b>	31 July - 4 August 2017	January 2-5, 2018	Graduate School of Human Sciences
<b>Orientation</b>	Sat, 5 August 2017	Sat, 6 January 2018	Mon-Fri 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
			8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon Room (to be announced)
<b>Instruction begins</b>	Mon, 7 August 2017	Mon, 8 January 2018	

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS QUALIFICATION FOR ADMISSION

- BA in Philosophy / Religious Studies from an accredited institution, or
- BA (or equivalent) in other fields from an accredited institution
- Good command of English
- Computer literacy

### ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

1. Submit application form with 6 photos (1x 1 1/2), three copies of home-registration (Thai) or passport (international).
2. Submit three copies of official transcript and certificate of a Master's degree.
3. Submit two letters of recommendation from two different people who can attest to the applicant's ability to study in the Ph.D. program.
4. Take the AU-English Proficiency Test and the interview. The applicants who submitted the TOEFL (iBT) 90 or (P) 575 or IELTS 6.5 or those with the Bachelor's or Master's Degree from USA, Canada, UK, Australia, and New Zealand are exempted from the English language requirement.

All documents must be signed and submitted in person before/on the last day of prescribed period, otherwise the application will not be considered.

### ADMISSION & EXAMINATION FEES (non refundable)

1. Admission fee 500 Baht
2. English 500 Baht
3. Interview 500 Baht

### STUDY SYSTEM:

- 1<sup>st</sup> semester August - December | 2<sup>nd</sup> semester January - May

### VENUE & CLASS HOURS

Huamak Campus, Ramkhamhaeng 24 Rd.  
Monday – Friday: 6.30 p.m. – 9.30 p.m.

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- All graduates must complete all the courses of the curriculum and obtain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00
- For the students of Plan A, they must pass the thesis defense and have the thesis published or have obtained acceptance of publication in a recognized journal
- For students of Plan B, they must pass the written comprehensive examination and the research paper defense

**DURATION: 2 YEARS**

### APPLICATIONS

#### Hua Mak Campus

Admissions Center "P" Building, 1<sup>st</sup> floor,  
Ramkhamhaeng 24 Road, Bangkok 10240 Thailand

#### Office hours:

- Monday – Friday 08:30 A.M. - 05:00 P.M.  
Saturday 08:00 A.M. - 04:30 P.M.  
Sunday 08:00 A.M. - 02:00 P.M.

#### ABAC City Campus

ABAC City Campus, ZEN @Central World, Level 14  
4,4/5 Rajdamri Rd., Phatumwan  
Bangkok 10330 Thailand

#### Office hours:

- Monday - Friday 10:00 A.M. to 06:00 P.M.  
Saturday - Sunday 10:00 A.M. to 06:00 P.M.

#### Suvarnabhumi Campus

Admissions Center SM115,  
88 Moo 8 Bang Na-Trad Km.26, Bangsangthong,  
Samuthprakarn, Thailand 10540

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- Monday - Friday 08:30 A.M. to 05:00 P.M.

## CAREER OPTIONS FOR DEGREE HOLDERS IN PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION

- Research
- Teaching
- NGO's
- Government
- Diplomacy
- Foreign Service
- Lobby Work
- Publishing
- Media
- Information Technology
- Environmental Protection
- Human Rights
- Analysis Sector
- Interpretation Sector
- Military / Police
- Intelligence
- Self-employment
- Museums
- Foundations
- Consulting
- Counseling
- Bio-medical Ethics
- Business and Applied Ethics



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## STUDY PLAN AND CURRICULUM

### Plan A: Thesis Option

Foundation Courses	12
Major Required Courses	12
Elective Courses	12
Thesis	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>48</b>

### Plan B: Non-Thesis Option

Foundation Courses	12
Major Required Courses	12
Elective Courses	18
Research Paper	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>48</b>

## Curriculum

Foundation Courses		12 Credits
PP 5105	History of Western Thought	3 (3-0-6)
PP 5106	History of Indian Thought	3 (3-0-6)
PP 5107	History of Chinese Thought	3 (3-0-6)
PP 5505	Research Methodology	3 (3-0-6)

Major Required Courses		12 Credits
PP 7203	Theories of Reality and Knowledge	3 (3-0-6)
RS 7206	Approaches to the Study of Religion	3 (3-0-6)
PP 7403	Seminar in Ethics	3 (3-0-6)
PP 6205	Philosophy of Culture and Human Nature	3 (3-0-6)

### Elective Courses 12/18 Credits

Students can select at least 12 credits (Plan A) or 18 credits (Plan B) from the following courses.

PP 6202	Seminar in Process Studies	3 (3-0-6)
PP 6303	Hermeneutics	3 (3-0-6)
PP 6404	Seminar in Philosophy of Religion	3 (3-0-6)
PP 6405	Philosophy of Social Science	3 (3-0-6)
RS 7503	Interfaith Dialogue	3 (3-0-6)
PP 8007	Buddhist Thought	3 (3-0-6)
PP 8008	Christian Thought	3 (3-0-6)
PP 8009	Islamic Thought	3 (3-0-6)
PP 8320	Aesthetics	3 (3-0-6)
PP 8426	Philosophy of Education	3 (3-0-6)
RS 8433	Selected Religious Text	3 (3-0-6)
RS 8434	Selected Religious Topics	3 (3-0-6)
PP 8436	Selected Topics in Eastern Philosophy	3 (3-0-6)
PP 8437	Selected Topics in Western Philosophy	3 (3-0-6)
PP 8439	Applied Ethics	3 (3-0-6)
PP 8445	Philosophy of Science and Technology	3 (3-0-6)

## GRADUATE PROGRAM OF PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION

### Hua Mak Campus

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### Estimated Expenses

Master's Degree,  
2 years, 4 semesters

First Enrollment Fees:	THB	US\$
Matriculation fee (Thai students)	9,000	273
Matriculation fee (non-Thai students)	21,500	652
Student's activities fee	6,000	182
Journal subscription (5 years)	2,000	61

### Course Registration Fees/Semester:

Tuition fee (THB 3,000 @ 48 credits)	144,000	4,364
University fee (THB 17,900 @ 4 semesters)	71,600	2,170
Internet & access control fee (THB 1,200 @ 4 semesters)	4,800	146
Health & life insurance (non-Thai students only, THB 5,000/year)	10,000	304

Approximately total for Thai students	247,400	7,496
Approximately total for non-Thai students	259,900	7,875

Additional fees	THB	US\$
Comprehensive Examination	2,000	61
Proposal Defense	3,500	107
Thesis Defense	3,500	107

### Note:

1. Tuition fee doesn't cover the followings:
  - Admission fee
  - Tuition fee for non-credit courses
  - Text books
  - AU English Proficiency Standard Course
2. The fees are subject to change at the university's discretion without prior notice.
3. Currency exchange rate: THB 33 = US\$ 1

### IMPORTANT

The provisional information statements set forth in this catalog should not be construed as the basis of any contract between a student and this institution. As such Assumption University reserves the right to change any provision listed in this catalog, including, but not limited to academic requirements for graduation. Every effort through the Office of Graduate Studies, will be made to keep students advised of any such changes.

The University Registrar

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