

Doctor of Philosophy (Philosophy & Religion)



**3-Year Program
Dissertation**

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 2018

	1/2018 (August 2018 - December 2018)	2/2018 (January 2019 - May 2019)	Time/Place
Application Deadline	Thu, 19 July 2018	Thu, 13 December 2018	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.
Entrance Exam (Written)	Sat, 21 July 2018 AU-English Proficiency Test	Sat, 15 December 2018 AU-English Proficiency Test	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, Room TBA
Interview	Wed, 25 July 2018	Wed, 19 December 2018	1:00 p.m. Room C101, C Bldg. 10th Flr.
Entrance Results	Mon, 30 July 2018	Mon, 24 December 2018	Graduate School of Human Sciences
Registration	30 July - 3 August 2018	December 24, 26-28, 2018	Mon-Fri 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Orientation	Sat, 4 August 2018	Sat, 5 January 2019	8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon Room (to be announced)
Instruction begins	Mon, 6 August 2018	Mon, 7 January 2019	

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS QUALIFICATION FOR ADMISSION

1. BA in Philosophy / Religious Studies from an accredited institution, or
2. BA (or equivalent) in other fields from an accredited institution
3. Good command of English
4. Computer literacy

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

1. A completed application form
2. Official Transcript of the previous university attended (3 copies)
3. Bachelor's and Master's Degree Certificate (3 copies)
4. Citizen identification card and Residence registration (3 copies) – For Thai Applicants
5. Passport (3 copies) – For Non-Thai Applicants
6. Four (1x1 inch size) photographs (formal attire, not in graduation gown)

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)

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| 1. Admission fee | 500 Baht |
| 2. AU English Proficiency Test | 500 Baht |
| 3. Interview Examination | 500 Baht |

EXEMPTION

The AU English Proficiency Test can be exempted depending on which of the following conditions you satisfy.

- A TOEFL score of (iBT) 90 or (P) 575 or IELTS (Academic) score of at least 6.5 (Validation: 2 years)
- A Bachelor's Degree or a higher degree from native English speaking countries (e.g. USA, Canada, UK, Australia and New Zealand)

STUDY SYSTEM:

1 st semester	1 2 nd semester
August - December	1 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
- All graduates must pass the foreign language exam and qualifying exam.
- All graduates must pass the dissertation defense and have the dissertation published or have obtained acceptance of publication in a recognized journal.

DURATION: 3 YEARS

APPLICATIONS

Hua Mak Campus

Admissions Center "P" Building, 1st 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

Office hours:

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



THERE IS NO GREATER PLEASURE THAN BEING WILLING TO RISK ONE'S LIFE AND RISK ALL SACRIFICES FOR THE WELFARE OF OTHERS
– Radhanath Swami

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STUDY PLAN AND CURRICULUM

A student with an M.A. in any field (Model 1A)	Credits
Foundation Courses	Non-credit*
Major Required Courses	Non-credit
Ph.D. Advanced Courses	12
Dissertation	36
Total	48

A student with an M.A. in Philosophy / Religious Studies (Model 1B)	Credits
Major Required Courses	Non-credit
Ph.D. Core Courses	12
Dissertation	36
Total	48

A student with a B.A. in Philosophy / Religious Studies (Model 2)	Credits
Foundation Courses	Non-credit*
Major Required Courses	12
Ph.D. Advanced Courses	12
Dissertation	48
Total	72

COURSE STRUCTURE

Foundation Courses *		
PP 5105	History of Western Thought	Non-credit
PP 5106	History of Indian Thought	Non-credit
PP 5107	History of Chinese Thought	Non-credit
PP 5505	Research Methodology	Non-credit

Major Required Courses		
PP 7203	Theories of Reality and Knowledge	Non-credit
RS 7206	Approaches to the Study of Religion	Non-credit
PP 7403	Seminar in Ethics	Non-credit
PP 6205	Philosophy of Culture and Human Nature	Non-credit

Ph.D. Advanced Courses		
PP 9201	Current Research in Contemporary Philosophical Trends	3 (3-0-6)
PP 9205	Current Research in Cultural Studies	3 (3-0-6)
PP 9206	Current Research in Contemporary Moral Issues	3 (3-0-6)
RS 9304	Current Research in New Approaches to the Study of Religion	3 (3-0-6)

Foreign Language		
PP 9800	Additional Foreign Language	Non-credit

Qualifying Examination		
PP 9900	Qualifying Examination	Non-credit

N.B.* A student with Philosophy/Religious Studies background may be exempted from one or more determined courses with the approval of the Academic Committee.

GRADUATE PROGRAM OF PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION

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Estimated Expenses	Doctoral Degree, 3 years, 6 semesters	
First Enrollment Fees:	THB	US\$
- Matriculation fee (Thai students)	10,000	303
- Matriculation fee (non-Thai students)	22,500	682
- Student's activities fee	10,000	303
Registration fees/semester:		
- Tuition fee (THB 4,000 x 48 credits)	192,000	5,818
- University fee (THB 19,900 x 6 semesters)	119,400	3,618
- Annual internet & access control fee (THB 2,400/year)	7,200	218
- Annual health & life insurance fee (THB 5,000/year for non-Thai Students)	15,000	455
Approximately total for Thai students	338,600	10,261
Approximately total for non-Thai students	366,100	11,094
Additional fees	THB	US\$
- Qualifying Examination	12,000	364
- Additional Foreign Language	6,000	187.5
- Dissertation Proposal defense	12,000	364
- Dissertation Final defense	21,000	637

The fee doesn't cover the followings:

- Admission fee (non-refundable)
- Tuition fee for non-credit courses
- Textbooks
- AU Academic Writing Course (15,000 THB)

Note:

1. The fees are subject to change at the university's discretion without prior notice
2. 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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