



## **The Graduate Scholarship Program for International Students from Neighboring Countries**

(2009 – 2013)

**Faculty of Medicine Siriraj Hospital, Mahidol University**

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The Faculty of Medicine Siriraj Hospital is an integral part of Mahidol University, one of the best research universities in the region. The Faculty itself, with its tradition of excellence deeply ingrained throughout the prolific 120-year history, is a perfect blend of rich heritage, technologically advanced medical services, and innovative research. With increasing challenge of the twenty-first century, it recognizes graduate education as crucial for propelling and sustaining the wheel of research excellence, and as such, has generously supported graduate research at all levels. Moving graduate education towards internationalization reflects the Faculty's commitment to global standards of excellence and research networking, which resonates well with the strategic direction of Mahidol University.

In order to expand academic collaboration between Thailand and its neighboring countries, the Faculty of Medicine Siriraj Hospital has established "The Graduate Scholarship Program for International Students from Neighboring Countries" starting from the year 2009. This 5-year scholarship program is intended to provide education at the graduate level to distant students in particular those from Southeast or East Asia to pursue their studies at the M.Sc. and Ph.D. levels.

### **Provisions and Terms:**

Each scholarship covers full tuition fees, thesis research expense, and a monthly bursary towards living expenses as per Thai standards, for the duration of the study program. The full-time master program funding covers a period of four semesters (24 months), and the full-time doctoral program funding covers a period of six semesters (36 months).

This program concerns only international programs at the graduate levels: currently supported programs are Master Programs in Biochemistry and Immunology; and Doctoral Programs in Biochemistry, Medical Microbiology, and Immunology. Further information of the program and scholarships may be acquired from our official website at : <http://www.si.mahidol.ac.th/education/sigrad/>

### **Eligibility of Applicants:**

1. These scholarships are only for exceptional students with high commitment to work and study in biomedical science, and will return to their home institutes after graduation from the Faculty.
2. Applicants must have completed Bachelor's Degrees/Master's Degrees in related fields.
3. Applicants must have a grade point average for the latest semester before applying of not lower than 3.00 (of 4.00) for undergraduate, and not lower than 3.25 (of 4.00) for postgraduate levels.
4. Applicants' age must be less than 35.
5. Applicants must have a good command of English. A minimum TOEFL score of 500 paper-based or 173 computer-based or IELTS score of 5.0 taken within two years before the application date is required.
6. Applicants must be in good health.
7. Applicants must not be recipients of other types of scholarships.

**Documents Required for Application:**

1. Completed application form (also available from the website) with two photographs (3 x 4 cm) taken within the past 6 months.
2. Curriculum Vitae.
3. Certificate of Graduation of a Bachelor's Degree or a Master's Degree as appropriate for the program intended (original, not photocopied).
4. Transcript of Academic Record of the last educational institution attended (original, not photocopied).
5. Photocopy of passport.
6. Two recommendation letters, one from the Dean of the Faculty and another from the Head of the Department from which the applicant graduated (original, not photocopied).  
A third recommendation letter from an advisor or a faculty member who could assess the applicant's performance may be added.
7. Physical examination certificate from a hospital in the applicant's home country.

**Application Procedure:**

1. The scholarship application must be officially approved by the President of the University from which the applicant graduated.
2. The completed application form and relevant documents must be received by 31 January of each year, at the address below.

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Faculty of Medicine Siriraj Hospital  
Mahidol University  
2 Prannok Road, Bangkoknoi Bangkok 10700 THAILAND  
TEL : +662 419 6430 to 1      FAX : +662 411 2330  
E-mail address : sisoed@diamond.mahidol.ac.th

**Please note**

1. Any documents received after the deadline or incomplete applications will not be accepted.
2. Original documents written in another language than English must be accompanied by English translations, certified by a public institution or the university issuing the original documents.
3. The submitted documents will not be returned under any conditions.
4. The scholarship period cannot be extended.
5. The recipients of these scholarships are not permitted to accept any employment in Thailand during the term of their scholarships.
6. The recipients of these scholarships are not permitted to bring any family members with them.
7. The recipients of these scholarships are not permitted to postpone the scholarship acceptance as proposed by Faculty.
8. The recipients of these scholarships must send their study reports to the Office of Graduation at the end of every semester.

**Suspension and Termination of Scholarships:**

These scholarships will be suspended or terminated for the following reasons:

1. Serious illness of recipients.  
The recipient is deemed to be seriously ill and not physically fit to carry on with his/her studies.
2. Poor study records.  
The recipient's cumulative grade point average in any semester is lower than 3.00
3. Absence of the recipient without notice or reasonable explanation.  
The recipient is absent for over 15 days during the semester, or over 30 days during semester breaks, without the consent of his/her academic advisor. Exceptions may be granted only in very special circumstances, that must not impede the recipient's academic progress, and only by the Office of Graduation.

**Specific Dates for Application:**

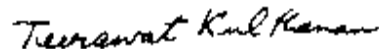
<b>31 January, of each year</b>	Deadline for submission of completed application form and documents required
<b>30 April, of each year</b>	Announcement of the selection results

The official results of selected scholarship recipient will be announced in our website, and informed to the President of the University from which the applicant graduated.

Date 1 October, 2008



Professor Chairat Shayakul  
Deputy Dean of Postgraduate Education



Clinical Professor Teerawat Kulthanan  
Dean of the Faculty of Medicine Siriraj Hospital,  
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