

Announcement from the Faculty of Political Science, Thammasat University Visiting Postdoctoral Fellowship Year 2568 (A.D. 2025)

To position the Faculty of Political Science at Thammasat University as a leading center for education, dissemination, and advancement of political science knowledge in Southeast Asia for the benefit of the public, in line with the institution's vision-particularly in terms of international engagement-the faculty sees it appropriate to initiate a postdoctoral visiting researcher grant as outlined in this announcement. This initiative is a key step in fostering academic collaboration, facilitating research production, and strengthening networks between the faculty and the global academic community.

This announcement has been approved by the International Affairs Committee in Meeting No. 1/2024 on December 4, 2024, and by the Committee of the Faculty of Political Science in Meeting No. 1/2025 on February 21, 2025. The details of the grant are as follows:

1. Eligibility Criteria for Applicants

- 1.1 Must not hold or have previously held Thai nationality and must reside in a foreign country.
- 1.2 Must have completed a doctoral degree from an accredited higher education institution abroad.
 - 1.3 Must be under 40 years of age at the time of application submission.
- 1.4 Must not be receiving any other scholarships from Thammasat University or any other institutions in Thailand.
- 1.5 Must not have previously had their funding suspended or revoked under this announcement.

2. Grant Support

2.1 The grant is divided into two categories based on the duration of the recipient's residency at the faculty:

- 2.1.1 A grant of 150,000 THB for six months includes:
 - 1) Economy class airfare for travel to and from the recipient's residence, reimbursed up to 40,000 THB based on actual expenses.
 - 2) A fixed monthly allowance of 15,000 THB.
 - 3) Visa application fees, reimbursed up to 10,000 THB based on actual expenses.
 - 4) Support for academic publication and dissemination of research 10,000 THB.
- 2.1.2 A grant of 300,000 THB for twelve months includes:
 - 1) Economy class airfare for travel to and from the recipient's residence, reimbursed up to 40,000 THB based on actual expenses.
 - 2) A fixed monthly stipend of 20,000 THB.
 - 3) Visa application fees, reimbursed up to 10,000 THB based on actual expenses.
 - 4) Support for academic publication and dissemination of research 10,000 THB.

3. Application and Selection Process

- 3.1 Applicants must submit the following supporting documents:
 - 3.1.1 Completed application form
 - 3.1.2 A copy of the passport page displaying the applicant's name
- $3.1.3~{\rm A}$ copy of the diploma and/or transcript from the highest level of education completed
 - 3.1.4 Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- 3.1.5 Three recommendation letters, each including the recommender's position and email address

- 3.1.6 A research proposal that must include the following aspects:
 - 1) Research topic
 - 2) Objectives of information retrieval
 - 3) Research methodology
 - 4) Relationship between the study and existing literature
 - 5) Expected publication outcomes
 - 6) Work plan

If supporting documents are in a language other than English or Thai, scholarship applicants must provide an accurate and comprehensive English translation. Additionally, the translated documents must be officially legalized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand or the relevant government authority to ensure their legal validity for scholarship applications.

- 3.2 The committee appointed by the dean will review the applicants' supporting documents to select candidates before conducting interviews with those who qualify. The interviews may be conducted online.
 - 3.3 The decision of the committee appointed by the dean is final.

4. Scholarship Conditions

- 4.1 Recipients must contribute to the faculty during the scholarship period as follows:
 - 4.1.1 Conduct one research project
 - 4.1.2 Present at a seminar or deliver at least one lecture
- 4.1.3 Publish an academic paper accepted by an international journal indexed in Scopus at a level no lower than Q3.
- 4.2 Recipients must have at least one faculty member as an advisor to provide research guidance, monitor progress, and evaluate outcomes in accordance with the conditions outlined in section 4.1.

- 4.3 Before receiving the scholarship, recipients must sign an agreement with the faculty.
- 4.4 The faculty will facilitate the visa application and the appropriate permit process, which may begin before the recipient's arrival in Thailand, subject to relevant regulations and the discretion of government authorities.
- 4.5 Recipients must comply with the terms of the agreement, faculty and university regulations, immigration laws, and all other relevant governmental rules.
- 4.6 Recipients should obtain comprehensive health and travel insurance covering medical expenses and emergencies throughout the scholarship period. Any additional medical costs are the recipient's responsibility.
- 4.7 Recipients must submit a research progress report after 3 months for a 6-month scholarship and after 6 months for a 12-month scholarship.
- 4.8 At the end of the scholarship period, recipients must submit their research findings or supporting documents as required in section 4.1.
- 4.9 Publications under section 4.1.3 must acknowledge the scholarship by stating: "This research was made possible through the support of a Visiting Postdoctoral Fellowship awarded by the Faculty of Political Science, Thammasat University."
- 4.10 The faculty reserves the right to suspend or revoke the scholarship, requiring recipients to refund all or part of the scholarship funds under any of the following circumstances:
- 4.10.1 If it is later discovered that the recipient does not meet the eligibility criteria outlined in section 1.
- 4.10.2 If the recipient fails to comply with the agreement or conditions in this announcement without valid justification.
- 4.10.3 If there is clear evidence that the recipient intends not to comply or is unable to fulfill the agreement or scholarship conditions.
- 4.10.4 If the recipient deliberately engages in serious misconduct or is found to have previously committed such acts.

4.10.5 If the recipient is convicted by a final court ruling for a criminal offense, except for negligence or minor infractions.

Decisions on suspension or revocation of the scholarship and repayment obligations are at the discretion of the committee appointed by the dean and are final.

- 4.11 Any additional details or conditions will be determined at the discretion of the dean or assigned committee, and such decisions shall be final.
- 4.12 The dean or designated representative has the authority to oversee the execution of this announcement.

This announcement shall take effect from the date of its publication onward.

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