

Curriculum Vitae

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Short bio:

Jittipat Poonkham (PhD Aberystwyth University; MPhil Oxford University) is Associate Dean for Academic and International Affairs, Director of International Studies Program, and Associate Professor of International Relations in the Faculty of Political Science, Thammasat University. At the regional level, he is the Thai representative to the ASEAN Regional Forum Expert and Eminent Persons (ARF EEPs). Jittipat was a Visiting Fellow at various institutes, such as Australian National University (ANU), and Moscow Institute of International Relations (MGIMO) University.

His research interests include international relations theories, geopolitics and great power politics, Indo-Pacific power dynamics and Thai foreign policy. He is an author of *A Genealogy of Bamboo Diplomacy: The Politics of Thai Détente with Russia and China* (ANU Press, 2022) and a co-editor of *International Relations as a Discipline in Thailand: Theory and Sub-fields* (Routledge, 2019). Currently, Jittipat is an Associate Editor of *International Relations*, published by SAGE Publications and on the editorial board member of *Review of International Studies*.

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Teaching: PO271 Introduction to International Relations
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PO700 Epistemology and Methodology in Social Science

Academic Positions:

2020-present Associate Professor, Faculty of Political Science
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2015-2020 Assistant Professor, Faculty of Political Science
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2012-2015 Lecturer, Faculty of Political Science
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2023-present Associate Dean for Academic and International Affairs
2018-present Director of International Studies Program
2021-2023 Associate Dean for International Affairs
2018-2021 Director of Russia and CIS Studies Center, Thammasat Institute
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2013-2015 Deputy Director of International Studies Program

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2018-present Visiting Fellow, Moscow State Institute of International Relations
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2019 Visiting Fellow, Coral Bell School of Asia Pacific Affairs,
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2016-2018 Teaching Tutor, Department of International Politics,
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2016-2018 Co-Ordinator and Teaching Staff, Thai History and International
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Other Professional Appointments:

2023-present Associate Editor, *International Relations* (SAGE Publications)
2024-present Editorial Board Member, *Review of International Studies* (A
Flagship Journal of British International Studies Association and
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2023 Co-Chair, International Studies Association (ISA) — Global
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2014-present Editorial Board Member, Journal of Social Science,
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Publications (in English):

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Foreign Policy and Identity (Saarbrücken, Germany: Lambert Academic Publishing, 2012).

Edited Books:

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Articles and Book Chapters:

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-Jittipat Poonkham, "The Australia-US Alliance from a Thai Perspective: An Unbreakable or Unpinnable Partnership?" *Asia Pacific Bulletin*, Vol. 690 (2024).

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- Jittipat Poonkham, “The Bamboo Breaks: Thailand’s Diplomatic Challenge”, *Asialink*, University of Melbourne, 9 September 2021.
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 - Jittipat Poonkham, “Neorealist International Relations Theory: On US Hegemony and Balance of Power in the Post-Cold War Era”, *Journal of Social Science*, Vol. 41: No. 1 (January-June 2010), pp. 1-31. (in Thai).
 - Jittipat Poonkham, “Energy and Power: Russian-EU Relations under US Hegemony”, *Journal of Social Science*, Vol. 39: No. 1 (January-June 2008), pp. 33-76. (in Thai).

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-Jittipat Poonkham, “Global Geopolitics”, presented at the 24th King Prajadhipok's Institute (KPI) Congress on “New Security Challenges and Democracy”, at the United Nations Conference Centre, Bangkok, on 5 November 2022.

-Jittipat Poonkham, “Thailand and Global Geopolitics”, presented at the FES Asia Strategy and Foresight Lab on “Thailand in the New Geopolitics of Asia”, hosted by the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) Office for Regional Cooperation in Asia, the Institute of Security and International Studies at Chulalongkorn University, and the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, on 20 October 2022.

-Jittipat Poonkham, “Thailand and Australia: Current State of Bilateral Relationship”, presented at the Dialogue to Strengthen the Relationship between Thailand and Australia, hosted by the Asia Foundation and the Australian National University (ANU) on 21 September 2022.

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-Jittipat Poonkham, “A Search for Regional Architecture in the Mekong: Geostrategic Competition and Future Challenges”, presented at the regional forum on “Mekong-RoK Cooperation: Seeking Synergies on Mekong-ACMECS Cooperation”, hosted by the Embassy of the Republic of Korea and Mekong Institute, on June 17, 2022.

-Jittipat Poonkham, “The Russia-Ukraine War and the Clash of International Orders: The Geo-strategic Impact on Southeast Asia”, presented at a panel discussion on “Geopolitical Implications of the War in Ukraine”, hosted by the Konrad Adenauer Foundation in Thailand and German-Southeast Asian Center of Excellence for Public Policy and Good Governance (CPG), Faculty of Law, Thammasat University, on 30 March 2022.

-Jittipat Poonkham, “A Genealogy of Bamboo Diplomacy”, a book launch and discussion, hosted by the Institute of International Studies, Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO) and Faculty of Political Science, Thammasat University on 22 February 2022.

-Jittipat Poonkham, “The Indo-Pacific: A Global Region of Geopolitical Struggle”, presented at the Round-table Discussion on “Strategic Situation in the Pacific and Indian Ocean: views from Russia and Thailand”, hosted by International Studies Center and ASEAN Center at MGIMO University, on 19 January 2022.

-Jittipat Poonkham, “Russia-ASEAN Friendship in the Indo-Pacific Security Architecture: A Leading from the Middle Approach”, presented at the 13th Russian International Studies Association (RISA), MGIMO University on 16 October 2021

-Jittipat Poonkham, “Thailand’s Bamboo Diplomacy at the Crossroads”, presented at the Panel on Thai Foreign Policy at the Thai Update 2021: Crisis Management and Long-term Implications, Australian National University (ANU) on 27 August 2021.

-Jittipat Poonkham, “A Struggle for Geopolitical Supremacy: Ideas, Values and Visions of the Indo-Pacific Order”, Graduate School of International Studies, Korea University, on 29 June 2021.

-Jittipat Poonkham, “Pax Indo-Pacific: An American Struggle for Regional Power and Prestige in the (Post-)Trump Era”, Graduate School of International Studies, Korea University, on 8 January 2021.

- Jittipat Poonkham, “Pax Indo-Pacific: A Struggle for Regional Power and Prestige”, a public lecture at the ASEAN Center, MGIMO University, Moscow, Russia, on 16 November 2020.
- Jittipat Poonkham, “Australia – Thai Relations in Context of Changing Great Power Dynamics”, a panel discussion at International Seminar on Australia-Thailand Relations in a Changing Region, organized by Thammasat Institute of Area Studies, Thammasat University, Australian National University and the Australian Embassy Bangkok, at Impact Muang Thong Thani, on 9 December 2019.
- Jittipat Poonkham, “Turns in International Relations Theories Today: Trends, Tension and Telos of Theorizing Practices”, a panel discussion at the 6th International Conference on International Relations and Development (ICIRD) at Mae Fah Luang University, Chiang Rai, on 23 November 2019.
- Jittipat Poonkham, “A Menu of Indo-Pacific Concepts: A View from Thailand”, a public lecture at the ASEAN Center, MGIMO University, Moscow, Russia, on 16 October 2019.
- Jittipat Poonkham, “The Trump Doctrine of Indo-Pacific Strategy: Security Dilemma or Status Anxiety?” a special lecture at Coral Bell School of Asia Pacific Affairs, Australian National University, on 16 September 2019.
- Jittipat Poonkham, “Stretching beyond the Non-Western Paradigm? A Genealogy of International Relations in Thailand”, a special lecture at Coral Bell School of Asia Pacific Affairs, Australian National University, on 17 September 2019.
- Jittipat Poonkham, “The US Indo-Pacific Strategy: Discursive Anxiety, Emotional Diplomacy and Status Dissatisfaction Management”, at the EAUI Program Summer School, Waseda University, on 30 July 2019.
- William Tow and Jittipat Poonkham, “Australia and ASEAN’s Indo-Pacific Ventures? More to Safeguard Interests?” a paper presented at the Center for International Area Studies, the Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Seoul, South Korea, on 13 June 2019.
- Jittipat Poonkham, “Thailand-Russia Relations: Dimensions, Determinants, and Dynamics”, a public lecture at the ASEAN Center, MGIMO University, Moscow, Russia, on 15 May 2018.
- Jittipat Poonkham, “The Russian Revolution and Anticommunism in Thailand: A Genealogical Trajectory”, a paper presented at USPC-NUS Conference, “The Asian Arc of the Russian Revolution: Setting the East Ablaze?” 16-17 November 2017, at Yale-NUS College, National University of Singapore.
- Jittipat Poonkham, “The Making of Bending-with-the-Wind Diplomacy in Thailand”, a paper presented at the International Politics Research Seminar (IPRS), on 2 November 2017, at the Department of International Politics, Abersytwyth University, UK.
- Jittipat Poonkham, “Enduring Determinants in Thai-Russian Relations: A Longer-term Perspective”, an inaugural public lecture, commemorating the 120th anniversary of the establishment of Thai-Russian diplomatic relations, organized by Russia and CIS Studies Center, and Thammasat Institute of Area Studies (TIARA), on 4 December 2017, at Wanwaitayakorn Meeting Room, Thammasat University,
- Jittipat Poonkham, “Russia’s Pivot to Asia: Visionary or Reactionary?” a paper presented at the 2nd Thammasat Annual Academics and Postgraduate Conference in Asia-Pacific Studies (TU-CAPS), on 7-8 December 2017, at Dusit Island Resort Chiang Rai, Thailand.
- Jittipat Poonkham, ‘Thailand-Russia Relations: A Genealogical Approach’, a paper presented at the Direk Jayanama Memorial Lectures, on 19 June 2017, at Faculty of Political Science, Thammasat University.
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