

King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi Announcement Subject: English Language Development Policy for Master's Degree Students, Year 2025

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To ensure that the English language development of the Master's degree students at King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi can be carried out with quality according to the desired graduate traits in line with the Higher Education Standards Committee's new policy for raising English language standards in higher education institutions dated 17 January 2024, higher education institutions are required to establish policies and goals to raise English language standards and provide guidelines for developing English language skills in order to produce graduates who are skilled and capable in terms of academics, professionalism and English communication skills at a practical level.

By virtue of the power vested under Section 18 (2) and under the corroboration of Section 27 of the King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi Act, B.E. 2541 and with the approval of the King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi Council at the 305th meeting on January 8, 2025, the following announcement has been made:

- Article 1 This announcement is called "King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi Announcement of English Language Development Policy for Master's Degree Students, Year 2025".
- Article 2 This announcement shall be made applicable to the new students enrolled from Semester 1/2025 onwards.
- Article 3 The announcement of King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi on "Managing English Language Classes for Master's Degree Students, Year 2021" shall be repealed.

Article 4 In this announcement,

"University or KMUTT" refers to King Mongkut's University of Technology
Thonburi

"President"	refers to	The President of King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi			
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"Students"	refer to	Master's degree students of King			
		Mongkut's University of Technology			
		Thonburi			
"Applicants for Admission"	refer to	Applicants for admission to the Master's			
		degree program at King Mongkut's			
		University of Technology Thonburi			
"Native English Speakers"	refer to	People who use English as their mother			
		tongue and can communicate, listen,			
		speak, read, and write English fluently or			
		have completed studies in countries			
		that use English as an official language,			
		such as the United States, the United			
		Kingdom, Canada, Australia, New			
		Zealand, etc.			
"Faculty"	refers to	Any faculty, institution, office or agency			
		called by another name with equivalent			
		status to a faculty with open classes at			
		King Mongkut's University of Technology			
		Thonburi			
"Program"	refers to	Any Master's degree program approved			
1.03.0		by the University Council and is taught			
		at King Mongkut's University of			
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		Technology Thonburi			

- Article 5 Applicants for Admission can submit the English test scores to the English language foundation for their consideration. Applicants can choose to submit any of the following standardized test scores:
 - 5.1 Test results from the Test of English for Thai Engineers and Technologists (TETET).
 - 5.2 Test results from TOEFL iBT, IELTS Academic, PTE Academic or Duolingo English Test that is not more than 2 years old from the date the test scores were first achieved and specified in the score sheet for courses focusing on academic skills.
 - 5.3 Test results from TOEIC, TOEFL ITP, IELTS General or PTE General that are not more than 2 years old from the date the test scores were first achieved and specified in the score sheet for programs or study plans focusing on professional skills.

In case a student wishes to change the study plan from a program focusing on professional skills to a program focusing on academic skills, he/she must submit English

test scores according to Article 5.2, together with a request for changing study plans to the Faculty Committee or to that called by another name with equivalent status to the Faculty Committee for consideration, and inform the Registrar Office to record the changes in the system.

5.4 The Program can set their own English test score criteria for admission.

- Article 6 An exemption from English courses is possible if the student meets one of the following criteria:
 - 6.1 Being a native English speaker.
 - 6.2 Being a Bachelor's degree holder from a program that uses English throughout the entire program, with approval from the Faculty Committee or that called by another name with equivalent status to the Faculty Committee to which the student belongs.
 - 6.3 Having achieved test results from TETET or having taken LNG 550 Remedial English Course for Post-Graduate Students, LNG 600 In-Sessional English Course for Post-Graduate Students, LNG 601 Foundation English for International Programs or other Fundamental English language courses specified by the Program by showing evidence of passing any of the mentioned course exams.
 - 6.4 Having achieved an English language test score not lower than the criteria specified in the Table of Article 7, in which the test results based on other international standards, pursuant to the Attachment of this Announcement, must not be more than 2 years old from the date the test scores were first achieved and specified in the score sheet, in order to request an exemption from studying the English courses.
 - 6.5 For other cases beyond those mentioned from Article 6.1 to Article 6.4, where if the Faculty or the Program considers granting a student exemption from studying English courses, the Faculty or the Program is to consult with the School of Liberal Arts for considering such an exemption on a case-by-case basis.
 - 6.6 The test score criteria for an exemption from studying English courses may vary depending on those set by the Program but must not be lower than the score criteria set by the University in this announcement.
- Article 7 For studying Fundamental English language courses, it is necessary to consider the TETET test results or test results of other international standards which are equivalent, pursuant to the attachment to this announcement, as follows:

CEED	TETET	English Language Foundation				
CEFR		Thai Language Program/	International Program/			
Level	Level	Bilingual Program	English Program			
≤ A2 < 3	.25	Must study 2 courses, i.e.,	Must study 2 courses, i.e.,			
	< 5.5	LNG 550 and LNG 600	LNG 550 and LNG 601			
D1	3.5	Must study 1 course, i.e., LNG 600	Must study 1 course, i.e., LNG			
B1 4.0	4.0		601			
B2 4.5 5.0 5.5	4.5		Exempted from Study			
	5.0					
	5.5	Exempted from Study				
C1	6.0					
	6.5					

- 7.1 If required by the Program to take other Fundamental English language courses that are comparable to LNG 550 Remedial English Course for Post-Graduate Students, LNG 600 In-Sessional English Course for Post-Graduate Students, or LNG 601 Foundation English for International Programs, these English courses must then be considered by the School of Liberal Arts to assess whether they are truly comparable.
- 7.2 In case students register for Fundamental English courses, they should complete them within 3 semesters from the first semester of study.
- 7.3 In case the students do not wish to register for Fundamental English courses, they must then submit test results based on other international standards that are equivalent or pursuant to the attachment of this announcement, or submit English test scores as specified by the Program. However, the scores must not be lower than the criteria set by the University and this should be completed within 3 semesters from the first semester of study.
- 7.4 The University requires students to take Fundamental English courses to improve their English, but it is not a condition for graduation. Exceptions are given for Programs that require students to have English test results that meet the criteria set by them.
- 7.5 Students should strive to improve their English language skills and achieve test results comparable to CEFR level C1 and above.
- Article 8 Students should take the TETET English test at least once before graduation in order to perform a self-assessment of their English proficiency. The University waives the expenses for first-time test takers.
- Article 9 Students enrolled before this announcement came into effect must follow the criteria specified in the original announcement until graduation.
- Article 10 The President shall be responsible for the implementation of this announcement. In case of any conflicts, disagreements or matters not specified in this announcement,

the President shall make the final decision. The decision or order given by the President shall be deemed final.

This announcement was made on January 9, 2025.

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Attachment

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Year 2025

Equivalency Table for TETET

Test Unit / Test Set	CEFR Level							
	A1	A2	B1	B2	C1			
Academic Program								
TETET	1.0-2.5	3.0	3.5-4.0	4.5-5.5	6.0-7.0			
IELTS Academic			≥4.5	≥5.0				
TOEFL iBT			≥53	≥65				
PTE Academic			≥43	≥59				
Duolingo English Test			≥60	≥100				
Professional Program								
TETET	1.0-2.5	3.0	3.5-4.0	4.5-5.5	6.0-7.0			
IELTS General			≥4.5	≥5.0				
TOEFL ITP			≥460	≥543				
PTE General			Level 2	Level 3				
TOEIC			≥550	≥785 (L=400; R=385)				
Duolingo English Test			≥60	≥100				

Remarks: Master's degree students can use the appropriate English language standard test scores according to the Program type enrolled (Academic/Professional).