

## Announcement of King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi English Proficiency Requirement for Doctoral Degree Students B.E. 2564

To raise the standard of English language of the Doctoral degree and to comply with the announcement of the Ministry of Education on Requirements for Graduate Studies Curriculum B.E. 2558, announced on October 7, 2015, and to comply with the announcement of Office of the Higher Education Commission Policy to raise English standards in higher education institutions announced on April 12, 2016.

By virtue of Section 18 (2) of the King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi Act B.E. 2541, together with the resolution of the Council of King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi in the meeting No. 260 on April 7, 2021, the announcement was made as follows:

- 1. This announcement is called "English Proficiency Requirement for Doctoral Degree Students".
- 2. This announcement shall come into force from the day following the announcement.
- 3. The announcement of King Mongkut's University of Technology English Proficiency Requirement for Doctoral Studies B.E. 2562 shall be repealed.
- 4. In this announcement
  - "University" means King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi
  - "President" means President of King Mongkut's University of Technology
    Thonburi
  - "Students" means King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi Doctoral

    Degree Students
  - "Applicants" means Applicants for a doctoral degree program of King Mongkut's

    University of Technology Thonburi
  - "Faculty" means Faculty, institute, bureau, or other academic units that hold equivalent status to faculty
- 5. Applicants must submit an English test score as part of their application. Applicants can select any standardized test as follows:
  - 5.1 Test of English for Thai Engineers and Technologists (TETET) score 4.5 for Thai Programs and a score of 5 for International Programs and English Programs.
  - 5.2 A valid TOEFL iBT or IELTS score that is less than 2 years old with a CEFR equivalent level of B2. If the program specifies English proficiency requirement, the program can use the requirement set by the program, but the requirement must be equivalent to or higher than the requirement set by the university.

- 6. Applicants who have a TETET score of less than 3 may be considered for a Ph.D student trial period and the program may offer additional English language development guidelines as a condition for admission.
- 7. School of Liberal Arts offers English language courses that will enable students to study the English courses based on the TETET, TOEFL iBT, or IELTS or another equivalent standardized test score as follows (as attached to the announcement):

TETET	Admission	English Preparation Courses					
		Thai Programs	English/International Programs				
< 3		English Preparation is required prior to admission					
3		Must study 2 courses: LNG 550 and LNG 600.	Must study 1 course: LNG				
3.5 - 4	Admission	Must study 1 course: LNG 600	601				
4.5		Exemption from all courses	Exemption from all courses				
≥ 5							

Exception is made for programs that specify in their TQF 2 for students to study LNG 601 or other English language courses comparable to LNG 550 and/or LNG 600 and/or LNG 601 and subject to comparative consideration from School of Liberal Arts.

- 8. Applicants who have previously passed KMUTT's graduate level LNG 550, LNG 600 or LNG 601 courses can request an exemption from studying the English courses by providing evidence of passing for the aforementioned courses.
- 9. Applicants who have previously used the TETET scores at KMUTT's graduate level can request exemption from studying in the English language courses in any of the courses by providing evidence of the required test scores for the exemption of the aforementioned courses.
- 10. Doctoral students are advised to take the English test at least once prior to graduation to assess one's English language proficiency. The university will waive the cost of the first test only.
- 11. The President shall act in accordance with this announcement and in the event of a conflict or cases not specified in this announcement, the President shall make the final decision and the decision or order of the President shall be final.

Announced on April 8, 2021.

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President, King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi

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Equivalency Table for TETET

TETET	CEFR	TOEIC score	IELTS	TOEFL iBT	TOEFL ITE
Level	Level	(0-990)	(0-9.0)	(0-120)	(0-677)
1.0	A1	150	-	-	-
1.5		270			
2.0		345			
2.5		420			
3.0	A2	495	-	_	337-459
3.5	- B1	540	4.0-5.0	42-71	460-542
4.0		580			
4.5	B2	650	5.5-6.0	72-94	543-626
5.0		710			
5.5		750			
6.0	C1	820	6.5-8.0	Above 95	
6.5		885			Above 627
7.0		950			