Doctor of Philosophy  
(Philosophy & Religion)  

3-year Program*, Dissertation

**SKILLS AND ABILITIES ACQUIRED BY STUDENTS OF PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION**

- Identifying Problems  
- Problem Analysis  
- Learning How to Learn  
- Independent Thinking  
- Clarity in Communication  
- Attentive Listening / Concentration  
- Careful Reading  
- Using IT Resources  
- Logical Thinking  
- Vision / Imagination / Creativity  
- Interpretation / Sensitivity  
- Cooperation and Compromise  
- Sound-argument Construction  
- Identifying Logical Inconsistencies  
- Considering Unfamiliar Ideas  
- Evaluating Opposing Arguments  
- Evaluating Consequences  
- Crossing Traditional Subject Boundaries  
- Independence in Working  
- Flexibility of Thinking  
- Self-criticism  
- Self-motivation

**ADMISSION SCHEDULE 2015 - 2016**

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**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

**QUALIFICATION FOR ADMISSION**

- BA in Philosophy / Religious Studies from an accredited institution, or  
- MA in Philosophy / Religious Studies from an accredited institution, or  
- MA (or equivalent) in other fields from an accredited institution  
- Good command of English  
- Computer literacy

**ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS**

1. A completed application form  
2. Official transcript of the previous university attended (2 copies)  
3. Certificate of previous degree (2 copies)  
4. Citizen identification card and residence registration (2 copies) – for Thai applicants  
5. Passport (2 copies) – for non-Thai applicants  
6. Six (1x1-inch size) photographs (photo in gown not essential)  
7. Letter of recommendation from former instructors or employers (2 letters)

**APPLICATIONS**

**Hua Mak Campus**  
Admissions Center “P” Building, 1st floor, Ramkhamhaeng 24 Road, Bangkok 10240 Thailand  
Office hours:  
Monday – Friday 08.30 A.M. to 06.00 P.M.  
Saturday 08:00 A.M. to 04:30 P.M.  
Sunday 08:00 A.M. to 02:00 P.M.

**APPLICATIONS**

**ABAC City Campus**  
ABAC City Campus, ZEN @Central World, Level 14, 4,4/5 Rajdamri Rd., Phatumwan Bangkok 10330 Thailand  
Office hours:  
Monday - Friday 10:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M.  
Saturday - Sunday 10:00 A.M. to 06:00 P.M.

**APPLICATIONS**

**Suvarnabhumi Campus**  
Admissions Center SM115, 88 Moo 8 Bang Na-Trad Km.26, Bangsangthong, Samuthprakam, Thailand 10540  
Office hours:  
Monday - Friday 08.30 A.M. to 05.00 P.M.

**ADMISSION & EXAMINATION FEES**

(non refundable)  
1. Admission fee  
2. Interview  
500 Baht  
500 Baht

**STUDY SYSTEM:**

1st semester | 2nd semester  
August - December | January - May

**VENUE & CLASS HOURS**

Hua Mak Campus, Ramkhamhaeng 24 Rd., Monday – Friday: 6.30 p.m. – 9.30 p.m.

**GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

- All graduates must complete all the courses of the curriculum and obtain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00.  
- All graduates must pass the foreign language exam and qualifying exam.  
- All graduates must pass the dissertation defense and have the dissertation published or have obtained acceptance of publication in a recognized journal.

**DURATION:** 3 - 6 Years
STUDY PLAN AND CURRICULUM

A student with an M.A. in any field (Model 1A)

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A student with an M.A. in Philosophy / Religious Studies (Model 1B)

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COURSE STRUCTURE

Foundation Courses *
- PP 5105 History of Western Thought Non-credit
- PP 5106 History of Indian Thought Non-credit
- PP 5107 History of Chinese Thought Non-credit
- PP 5505 Research Methodology Non-credit

Major Required Courses
- PP 7203 Approaches to the Study of Religion Non-credit
- PP 7403 Seminar in Ethics Non-credit
- PP 6205 Philosophy of Culture and Human Nature Non-credit

Ph.D. Advanced Courses
- PP 9201 Current Research in Contemporary Philosophical Trends 3 (3-0-6)
- PP 9205 Current Research in Cultural Studies 3 (3-0-6)
- PP 9206 Current Research in Contemporary Moral Issues 3 (3-0-6)
- RS 9304 Current Research in New Approaches to the Study of Religion 3 (3-0-6)

Foreign Language
- PP 9800 Additional Foreign Language Non-credit

Qualifying Examination
- PP 9900 Qualifying Examination Non-credit

N.B.* A student with Philosophy/Religious Studies background may be exempt from one or more determined courses with the approval of the Academic Committee.

IMPORTANT

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CAREER OPTIONS FOR DEGREE HOLDERS IN PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION

- Research
- Teaching
- NGO's
- Government
- Diplomacy
- Foreign Service
- Lobby Work
- Publishing
- Media
- Information Technology
- Environmental Protection
- Human Rights
- Analysis Sector
- Interpretation Sector
- Military / Police
- Intelligence
- Self-employment
- Museums
- Foundations
- Consulting
- Counseling
- Bio-medical Ethics
- Business and Applied Ethics

STUDY AT HUA MAK CAMPUS

Estimated Expenses

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- Tuition fee (THB 4,000 @ 48 credits) | 192,000 | 6,400 |
- University fee (THB 19,400 @ 6 semesters) | 116,400 | 3,880 |
- Internet & access control fees (THB 1,200 @ 4 semesters) | 7,200 | 240 |
- Health and life insurance (non-Thai students only, THB 5,000/year) | 15,000 | 500 |

Approximately total for Thai students: 332,600 | 11,087 |
Approximately total for non-Thai students: 360,100 | 12,004 |

Additional fees

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Note:
1. Tuition fee doesn't cover the followings:
   - Admission fee
   - Tuition fee for non-credit courses
   - Text books
   - English for Business Communication (45 hrs.)
2. The fees are subject to change at the university's discretion without prior notice.
3. Currency exchange rate: THB 30 = US$ 1

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