

# Suranaree University of Technology

### **Announcement**

Subject: SUT Scholarships for Graduate International Students (Vithedbundit), 2016

Suranaree University of Technology understands the importance of graduate study development being accredited and internally recognized. In addition, to celebrate the most auspicious occasion of Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirinthorn's 61<sup>st</sup> birthday, the university will be awarding graduate scholarships for international students.

Consequently, by virtue of clauses 21 and 24 of the University Act of B.E. 2533 (1990) and item 5 of SUT Regulation on Finances and Asset B.E. 2549 (2006) revised by SUT Regulation on Finances and Assets (No. 3) B.E. 2556 (2013) together with the resolution of the Suranaree University of Technology Finances and Assets Committee at the eighth meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> Day of September 2559 (2016), the university announcement on SUT Scholarships for Graduate International Students called "Vithedbundit" are established as follows:

### 1. Objective

To promote qualified international students to study and enhance their experience at the graduate level of Suranaraee University of Technology. Thus, this will strengthen the university's internationalization in various aspects, for example, the publicizing of the university at an international level, creating an international learning environment at the undergraduate and graduate levels as well as developing international cooperative networks. In addition, the quantity and quality of graduate students will be periodically assessed and developed.

# 2. Number of Scholarships

A maximum of 15 scholarships per academic year (Master and Doctoral levels).

## 3. Eligibility of Applicants

- 3.1 Be International students with good academic standards, holding a bachelor's degree from a university overseas.
- 3.2 Have a good command of English with a minimum TOEFL score of 500 or IELTS score of 5.0 or the equivalent.
  - 3.3 Must not be recipients of any SUT Scholarships.

### 4. How to apply

Applicants must apply in person at the Center for Educational Services or apply the Center for International Affairs or through other channels appointed by the university.

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#### 5. Evaluation Criteria

The Scholarships Selection Committee appointed by the Committee of each institute will make their selection based on the following criteria:

- 5.1 The applicants must comply with the requirement of item 3.
- 5.2 The applicants are required to have a potential regarding publishing research works
- 5.3 The Selection Committee is required to distribute the scholarships to all institutes
- 5.4. The applicants are required to have further qualifications approved by the Committee
- 5.5 The announcement of the scholarship recipients will be made on the same day as the admission results announcement.

# 6. Provision and Duration of Scholarships

The scholarship recipients will receive fee waivers for the tuition, university fees as well as student activities and shall also be granted a monthly allowance of 10,000 baht. The maximum permitted duration of scholarships awarded are as follows:

- 6.1 Master's Degree Scholarship Maximum 6 trimesters
- 6.2 Doctoral Degree Scholarship for Master Degree holder Maximum 9 trimesters
- 6.3 Doctoral Degree Scholarship for Bachelor Degree holder Maximum 15 trimesters.

If a scholarship recipient extends from a Master's Degree Scholarship to a Doctoral Degree Scholarship, the maximum duration of his/her award may not exceed 15 trimesters, as from the commencement of study of his/her first trimester.

# 7. Scholarship Recipient's Responsibilities

The scholarship holders will be responsible for the following academic works:

- 7.1 The Master's Degree students are required to teach a laboratory class for at least 8 hours/week (1 hour-class time equals 50 minutes).
- 7.2 The Doctoral Degree students are required to teach both lecture and/or laboratory classes for at least 8 hours/week.
- 7.3 The assigned lecture or laboratory classes must be approved by the institute and the Institute Committee.
- 7.4 The scholarship students must submit the request form to their Institute Committees to reduce or replace their teaching loads with other works if they need to withdraw from teaching in a specific term. However, the average teaching loads for one academic year must be at least 8 hours/week.
- 7.5 The duration of the assigned academic works for the scholarship recipients is equal to their scholarship duration according to item 6.

### 8. Conditions for Graduation

The scholarship recipients must fulfill the following requirements in order to graduate:

- 8.1 The research work from their thesis/dissertation must be presented at least once at the national or international academic conference approved by the university.
- 8.2 For Master's Degree students, the research work must be published at least once in a national or international journal approved by the university. For Doctoral Degree students, the research work must be published at least once in an international journal approved by the university.

# 9. Scholarship Termination

Any of the following criteria can cause the termination of the scholarship as stated in item 6.

- 9.1 The scholarship recipients have graduated.
- 9.2 The scholarship recipient has studied for the maximum permitted duration according to item 6.
  - 9.3 The scholarship recipients cannot do academic works for the institute as stated in item 7.
- 9.4 The scholarship recipients obtain a Graduate Point Average (GPA) lower than 3.25 in two consecutive trimesters.
- 9.5 The scholarship recipients are dismissed from students' status, have changed their field of study, or are suspended.
- 9.6. The scholarship recipients asked for a termination from the scholarship with the approval of the Institute Committee.
- 9.7 The scholarship recipient is dismissed from the scholarship after careful consideration by the Institute Committee due to any prevailing circumstances, with no repayment of the scholarship award.

### 10. Miscellaneous

If, for any reason, the scholarship announcement is perceived to be ambiguous in any way or to contain any controversy, a final decision on anything raised will be taken by the university rector without appeal.

This announcement will be effective from the Academic Year 2016.

Announced on the 7th October B.E. 2559 (2016).

(Signed)

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Rector, Suranaree University of Technology