# Intensive Thai Language Program (ITLP) for International Students

## INTROCUCTION:

The International Relations and Communications Office, Office of the President, and the Oriental Languages Program, Faculty of Humanities, Srinakharinwirot University, offer Thai language courses to international students who plan to study at a Thai university, either at the undergraduate or graduate level where classes are taught in Thai. The program has proven valuable in equipping international students with the Thai language skills necessary for daily life and academic studies.

## CHARACTERISTICS:

The ITLP is a year-long program to study Thai language intensively. The programs are classified into two levels: elementary, intermediate. The ITLP emphasizes on preparing essential skills, including as listening, speaking, reading and writing in Thai. Classes meet for three hours a day (9:00 am.—12:00 pm.) from Monday through Friday (except public holidays). It is possible to take only one or two levels for those who have some background in Thai language.

## PROGRAM STRUCTURE AND CONTENTS:

The period of the program is one academic year (46 weeks: 600 hrs.). Programs are divided into two levels: elementary level (23 weeks:300 hrs.), intermediate level (23 weeks:300 hrs.), each of which offers comprehensive study of the Thai language.

## CLASSES:

Classes are conducted between the hours of 09.00 and 12.00 Monday through Friday (except public holidays). Students are immersed in 15 hours a week of integrated learning activities in Thai.

## **ELIGIBILITY:**

Applicants must have completed a secondary school (or equivalent) course from an accredited school and should be in good physical and mental health and have no record of serious misconduct.

\*\*Please be noted that students of the ITLP are eligible to apply for "admission by recommendation" to both undergraduate and graduate programs of Srinakharinwirot University.

## 1. Program Methodology

An integrated teaching and learning methodology will be adopted. Students learn through classroom lectures and practical exercises in real situations. The program outline is as follows:

## (1) Elementary level (Level 1):

This level aims to provide basic sentence patterns, vocabulary and expressions in order to achieve the elementary level of Thai proficiency in communication. It focuses on integrated skills such as listening, speaking, reading and writing. Students will learn the expression of ideas and feelings on various topics, emphasizing Thai grammar. Students also will learn how to be aware of the cultural and social "DOs and DONT's" in Thailand. The student is expected to acquire up to 2,500 basic Thai words.

## (2) Intermediate level (Level 2):

This level is designed for those who have a good command of basic (daily-use) Thai. It emphasizes listening, speaking, reading and writing skills through Thai culture and society in daily life. Students will learn to understand various texts on Thai culture, politics, economy and social system, with more difficult vocabulary and using complex styles. Students at this level will be able to acquire basic Thai language skills required in daily-life as well as in debating and presenting using different themes and assignments.

#### 2. Activities

- (1) All four components of language learning are involved
- (2) Workshops and presentations
- (3) Observing and participating in Thai cultural activities
- (4) Cultural exchange in the topic of language, culture and society
- (5) Cross-cultural communication
- (6) Meeting Thai students and other Thais to facilitate conversation skills

## 3. CLASSES:

Classes are conducted between the hours of 09.00 and 12.00 from Monday through Friday (except public holidays). Students are immersed in 15 hours a week of integrated learning activities in Thai which include Listening, Speaking, Writing, Reading, and so on.

#### Class Schedule:

Levels	Duration	No. of Weeks 23 weeks	
Elementary	August - December		
Intermediate	January - May	23 weeks	

<sup>\*</sup>Please check the ITLP starting dates for the current academic year.

## **CERTIFICATE:**

Students are required to maintain a minimum of 80% attendance before being granted admission to a higher level. Srinakharinwirot University issues certificates to those students who satisfactorily complete their levels.

## APPLICATION SCHEDULE:

Academic Year	Level	Closing Date For Application	Starting Date of Instruction	No. of Student(s) Enrolment
2018	Elementary	May 30	August	10-20
	Intermediate	October 30	November	10-20
2019	Elementary	May 30	August	10-20
	Intermediate	October 30	November	10-20
2020	Elementary	May 30	August	10-20
	Intermediate	October 30	November	10-20

<sup>\*</sup>Please check the ITLP starting dates for the current academic year.

## ADMISSION PROCEDURES:

\* To apply for a place into our program:

International Relations and Communications Office

4<sup>th</sup>Floor, Building 9

Srinakharinwirot University

Sukhumvit 23, Bangkok 10110

Thailand

Tel: 66(0)2-260-1012, 66(0)2-260-3637,

Email: ird@g.swu.ac.th

# \* Applying by mail, documents required for poof of registration and please send the following;

- 1. Fees on an international bank cheque made payable to Srinakharinwirot University for the ITLP. or evidence of payment to Srinakharinwirot University account, such as a copy of a bank transfer. The deposit for reservation is 5,000 Baht.
- \*Please be noted that all fees are non-refundable.
- 2. An official bank statement in the name of the financial supporter. The amounts of the account should be kept more than Bht.20,000/students' staying months.
- 3. An official public document showing the relationship between the supporter and the students being supported, such as a copy of a family register.
- 4 .Transcript of Academic Record
- 5. Certificate of Health (form)
- 6. One inch photo attached to the application form
- 7. Photocopy of passport

## All original documents should be sent to the following address:

International Relations and Communications Office

4<sup>th</sup>Floor, Building 9

Srinakharinwirot University

Sukhumvit 23, Bangkok 10110

Thailand

Fax: 66(0)2-258-4006 Email: ird@g.swu.ac.th

THE CERTIFICATE or LETTER OF ADMISSION to our program will be sent with a copy of the receipt for the instruction fees accordingly.

#### **TUITION FEES:**

The instruction fee for each level is 30,000-Baht (subject to change). Fees are to be paid in full prior to the issue of a Certificate of Admission.

## FEE PAYMENT:

The program fees in <u>Thai baht</u> must be paid in cash or cheque. In case of payment via international bank cheque, please make payable to Srinakharinwirot University, or a full payment in Thai baht transferable to Srinakharinwirot University Account as follows:

Account Name:

Srinakharinwirot University

Bank:

Siam Commercial Bank Public Company Limited,

Branch:

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Address:

Sukhumvit 21, Bangkok 10110, THAILAND

Account No.:

032-211834-3

Account:

Savings Account

Address of the Branch:

32/20, Sukhumvit 21 Rd., Bangkok 10110,

**THAILAND** 

Tel: 66(0)2-661-6310

**SWIFT Code:** 

SICOTHBK

**Details of Payment:** 

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Tuition Fee

**Important Remarks:** 

After your transfer of the full payment, please send a copy of

the bank transfer by Fax: 66(0)2-258-4006

for our reference and clearance, or attach to email: ird@g.swu.ac.th

## VISA:

In preparation for participation in our program, it will be necessary for students to acquire a Thai visa to cover the time they expect to stay in Thailand. This is of primary importance as Srinakharinwirot University is unable to assist in the process of obtaining the visa required while residing in Thailand. However, Srinakharinwirot University will provide a letter of admission for presentation to immigration authorities.

#### ACCOMMODATION:

Students should stay in privately owned accommodation which is available for rent throughout Bangkok. Since all students must make their own housing arrangements and it is not always easy to find appropriate accommodation immediately, students should arrange to come to Bangkok some time before commencing their studies. However, International Relations and Communications Office will provide lists of apartments and condominiums nearby Prasarnmit campus, located on Ratchadapisek Rd., Petchaburi Rd., and Sukhumvit Rd.

## **HEALTH INSURANCE:**

All Students are strongly recommended to obtain health insurance to cover the cost of hospital and dental treatment during their stay in Thailand.

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