



Announcement

National Institute of Development Administration Application for the Doctor of Philosophy Programs in Language and Communication (International Program)

Class 8

Semester 2, Academic Year 2017

National Institute of Development Administration (NIDA) is accepting applications for the Doctor of Philosophy Programs in Language and Communication (International Program), Class 8, for the second semester of academic year 2017.

1. Eligibility:

1. Holder of a Master's Degree in Language and Communication, Linguistics, Applied Linguistics, TESOL, Communication Studies, Applied Communication or any other fields from a university or institute accredited by the Commission on Higher Education (for applicants of Ph.D. program Track 1(1.1) and Track 2(2.1));

2. Holder of a Bachelor's Degree with honors in English, Linguistics, Applied Linguistics, TESOL, Communication Studies, Applied Communication or any other fields from a university or institute accredited by the Commission on Higher Education (for applicants of M.A. continuing to Ph.D. program Track 2(2.2));

***All applicants, with exception of applicants whose native language is English, namely applicants from the USA, the UK, Ireland, Canada, Australia and New Zealand, must provide a proof of English proficiency by submitting an official result of either the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or the International English Language Testing Service (IELTS) examination. The test must have been taken not more than two years prior to the application date. Applicants for the Ph.D. program in Language and Communication are required to have a minimum TOEFL paper-based score of 550, or computer-based score of 213, or Internet-based score of 79, or 6.0 for IELTS. If applicants submit their TOEFL/ITP scores, the Institute will only accept the results of the TOEFL/ITP administered by NIDA. Please note that applicants must submit the required TOEFL or IELTS score no later than December 12, 2017.

N.B. If an applicant has graduated from a university abroad, the applicant must submit a *Letter of Confirmation on Standard Curriculum for Bachelor's Degree* from the Commission on Higher Education, Ministry of Education. This letter can be obtained by submitting a request along with a copy of a complete transcript directly to the Bureau of Standards and Evaluation at the Commission on Higher Education, Ministry of Education.

NIDA reserves the right to examine the required documents and the applicant's eligibility at any time. If an applicant is later found ineligible for admission after the acceptance has been given, the announcement of acceptance shall be considered null & void.

2. Admission Process:

1. All applicants are required to submit a statement of purpose in English upon making an application and have an oral interview in English.
2. Applicants selecting if Track 1(1.1) are required to submit a complete dissertation proposal by the application deadline and take an oral interview in English.
3. Applicants of track 1(1.1) must have excellent academic records. Admittance will be based on the applicants' study records, their research background, their dissertation proposal and their English language proficiency.
4. Admittance to track 2(2.1) and 2(2.2) of the program will be based on the applicants' study records, their statement of purpose and their English language proficiency.
5. Prior to an interview, applicants are required to take a writing test, aimed to assess their academic writing and critical thinking skills.
6. Interview
Applicants will be accepted according to the following criteria:
 - concept, attitude and vision relating to language and communication;
 - educational background, research background and work experience;
 - intelligence and logical thinking;
 - personality;
 - future career opportunities.

N.B. An oral interview may be waived for non-Thai applicants who have residence outside Thailand. Acceptance for this group of applicants will be based on documents provided.

3. Application Forms:

- 3.1 Application forms can be obtained by contacting NIDA's Educational Service Division, located on the 3rd Floor, Prince Naradhip Bongsprabandh Building, Seri Thai Road, Bangkapi District, Bangkok until November 17, 2017.

3.2 The application forms can also be downloaded from the GSLC website:

<http://lc.nida.ac.th/home/download.php>. To download the form,

- i) access the above URL and click the menu bar "Ph.D. program download";
- ii) print out the forms onto A4 white papers without alternating the contents*;
- iii) fill out the form clearly and completely.

*If any contents of the application form are changed, the application form will be cancelled.

4. Application Process:

Apply in Person - Application form and the required documents can be submitted in person at the Educational Service Division until November 17, 2017 between 9.00 hrs. - 16.30 hrs. (except national holidays). The application fee is payable at the Education Service Division in cash.

Apply by Post - Application form and the required documents must be posted to the School of Language and Communication by the application deadline. The bank draft payable to the School of Language and Communication, NIDA (1,000 baht - Thai currency ONLY) must also be attached.

5. Required Documents and Application Fee:

5.1 Application Form (free);

5.2 Interview Fee: 1,000 baht;

5.3 One copy of an official transcript of Bachelor's Degree and one copy of an official transcript of Master's Degree (if applicable);

Note: Applicants who have recently completed their study and have not been conferred an official diploma must provide a letter confirming their graduation issued by their respective University Council before the application deadline. Only applicants who have been approved by the University Council will be admitted to the program. The submission deadline for all required documents is no later than TWO weeks after the semester starts.

5.4 Applicants who are in possession of the genuine Master's degree diploma conferred by their respective universities must submit a copy of official transcript (in addition to a copy of the official transcript of the Bachelor's degree as mentioned in 5.3)

5.5 International applicants must contact the Bureau of Standards and Evaluation at the Commission on Higher Education, Ministry of Education, for issuing Letters of Confirmation on Standard Curriculum for Bachelor's Degree and Master's Degree;

5.6 One statement of purpose;

5.7 One provisional dissertation proposal; (for Track 1(1.1) applicants only)

5.8 Record of English language proficiency test;

5.9 Letters confirming the applicant's completion of Bachelor's Degree and Master's Degree from the relevant university (for international applicants only). These must be sent directly to: Educational Service Division;

National Institute of Development Administration;

118 Seri-Thai Road, Klongchan, Bangkok;

Bangkok 10240 Thailand.

Fax: (662) 377-7477; E-mail: edu_serv@nida.ac.th

Note: Applicants must submit all required documents before the interview date or before the first day of classes; otherwise, the application will be considered incomplete and void.

5.10 Two 1-inch photographs taken no more than six months prior to application date;

- 5.11 One copy of identification card/passport;
- 5.12 Letters of recommendations from 2 academic referees;
- 5.13 Evidence of any change of name (if applicable).

Note: Applicants must ensure that their qualification meets the entrance requirements of the National Institute of Development Administration. It should be noted that the application fee is non-refundable if applicants are found ineligible for admission.

6. Announcement of Eligible Applicants:

NIDA will announce the list of shortlisted applicants who are eligible for the interview on November 22, 2017 at School of Language and Communication, 13th Floor, Sayamboromrajakumari Building. The list will also be posted on the school website <http://lc.nida.ac.th>.

7. Interview Date

The interview examination will be administered on November 27, 2017. To facilitate the selection process, applicants must ensure that they submit a complete application form and other required documents. Selection committee will consider applicants' personal history, academic performance, personality, attitudes, knowledge and problem solving skills. It should be noted that the selection committee's decision is final.

8. Interview Examination Results

List of successful applicants will be announced on December 12, 2017. The list will also be posted on the website <http://lc.nida.ac.th>

9. Documents for Enrollment:

Successful applicants must submit all documents required for enrollment at Educational Service Division, 4th Floor, Prince Naradhip Bongsprabandh Building, between December 12 – 14, 2017 between 9.00 hrs. - 16.30 hrs. Applicants who fail to provide all required documents will not be admitted to the program.

10. Enrollment:

Enrollment will take place between December 12 - 15, 2017.

The successful applicants must pay the enrolment fee by the dates specified above.

11. Commencement Date for Study:

Classes will commence on January 8, 2018.

12. Queries:

For more information, please contact the School of Language and Communication by telephone or email: Tel. +66(0)-2727-3139 - 41, +66(0)-2727-3162, email: jirapaa@hotmail.com.

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