



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
Full Scholarship

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 with honors 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)); or,
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), Ph.D. program Track 1 (1.1) and Track 2 (2.1));
3. All applicants, with exception of applicants whose native language is English, namely applicants from the USA, UK, Ireland, Canada, Australia and New Zealand, must prove sufficient English proficiency by submitting results of either the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or 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 600 or computer-based score of 250 or Internet-based score of 100 or 7.0 for IELTS. If applicants submit their TOEFL/ITP scores, the Institute will only consider the results of the test administered by NIDA.

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 and Master'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.

Applicants are required to have a Bachelor's Degree with honors OR a Master's Degree with honors.

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

2. Admission Process:

1. All applicants are required to submit a Statement of Purpose in English upon application and have an oral interview in English;
2. Applicants wishing to select Track 1(1.1) are required to submit a complete dissertation proposal for approval upon application and have an oral interview in English;
3. Applicants of Track 1(1.1) must have excellent academic records. Considerations will be made based upon the applicant's academic records, research background, dissertation proposal and English language proficiency;
4. Considerations for applicants of Track 2(2.1) and 2(2.2) will be made based upon the applicant's academic records, statement of purpose and English language proficiency;
5. Prior to the interview, applicants are required to take an English writing test, aimed to assess applicants' academic writing and critical thinking skills.
6. Interview
Applicants will be considered 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. Considerations 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, 3rd Floor, Prince Naradhip Bongsprabandh Building, Seri Thai Road, Bangkok District, Bangkok from now until October 20, 2017;
- 3.2 The application forms can also be downloaded from the GSLC website: <http://lc.nida.ac.th/home/download.php>. To download:
- i) access the above URL and click the menu bar "Ph.D program download";
 - ii) print out the forms onto white A4 papers only. Do not change the contents. If any changes are made, the application will be cancelled;
 - iii) fill out the form clearly and completely.

4. Application Process:

Applying in Person. Application can be made in person at Educational Service Division from now until October 20, 2017 between 9.00 hrs. - 16.30 hrs. (except government holidays)

5. Required Documents and Application Fees:

- 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 Master's Degree (if applicable)
Note: Letters of Confirmation from the University Council should be submitted before the closing date of the application. Only applicants who have been approved by the University Council will be accepted for the examination;
- 5.4 Applicants with a diploma must submit a copy of official transcript of the diploma; (in addition to a copy of official transcript of the Bachelor's degree as mentioned in 3.2)
- 5.5 International applicants should contact the Bureau of Standards and Evaluation at the Commission on Higher Education, Ministry of Education, for issuing a letter of Confirmation on Standard Curriculum for Bachelor's Degree and Master's Degree;
- 5.6 Statement of purpose;
- 5.7 Complete dissertation proposal; (for Track 1(1.1) applicant only)
- 5.8 Record of English language proficiency test;
- 5.9 Verification of Bachelor's Degree and Master's Degree (if applicable) completion from your institute (for international applicants only). This must be sent directly to:
Graduate School of Language and Communication;
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 as incomplete and void.

- 5.10 Two 1-inch photos taken not 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 qualifications meet the admission requirement 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. Conditions for Full Scholarships

Applicants who have been accepted into the program with full scholarship will be exempted from tuition fee payment for the maximum period of three years and will be awarded a monthly stipend of 10,000 baht under the following conditions:

1. Applicants are required to study in the program and must comply with any other regulations stipulated by National Institute of Development Administration.
2. Applicants must achieve a GPA of no less than 3.30 in each semester.
3. Applicants are not permitted to take a leave of absence while being enrolled in the program.
4. Applicants who withdraw from the program will be required to return the stipend and other benefits to the Institute.
5. Applicants must contribute at least 6 hours to School/the Institute per week.
6. Applicants are responsible for health insurance fees arranged by the Institute.

7. Announcement of Eligible Applicants:

NIDA will announce the list of successful applicants for the interview on October 25, 2017 at School of Language and Communication, 13th Floor, Sayamboromrajakumari Building. The list will also be posted on the website <http://lc.nida.ac.th>

8. Date for Interview

The Interview examination will be administered on October 30, 2017.

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

9. Interview Examination Results

List of successful applicants will be announced on December 22, 2017. The list will also be posted on the website <http://lc.nida.ac.th>

10. Documents for Enrollment:

Successful applicants must submit all documents required for enrollment at Educational Service Division, 4th Floor, Prince Naradhip Bongsprabandh Building, between December 22 - 23, 2017 between 9.00 hrs. - 16.30 hrs. Applicants who fail to provide all required documents will not be admitted to the program.

11. Enrollment:

Enrollment will be held between December 22 - 24, 2017.

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

12. Commencement Date for Study

Classes will commence on January 8, 2018.

13. Inquiries

For more information, please contact School of Language and Communication.

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