

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

National Institute of Development Administration Application for Admission Master of Business Administration (English Program Batch #33) For the Academic Year 1/2018

# (Written Examination)

The National Institute of Development Administration (NIDA) is accepting applications for admission to the Master of Business Administration (English Program) for the academic year 1/2018.

## 1. Qualifications of Applicants

1.1 Applicants must hold a bachelor's degree in any field or major from an accredited academic institution.

or

- 1.2 Applicants who are studying in their last semester must graduate with a bachelor's degree on or before the first day of the semester for which they have been accepted.
- 1.2.1 A complete(final) transcript with the specified date of graduation must be submitted on or before the first day of the term for which the applicant has been accepted.

NIDA reserves the right to examine documents and eligibility of an applicant at any time. If the applicant is found ineligible after being admitted the announcement of acceptance shall be considered null and void.

Note: Students who pass examination(s) to enter a master degree program at NIDA must pass these English language criteria:

- 1) Students need to submit their score from one of the English proficiency tests namely NIDA TEAP or TOEFL or IELTS to apply for an interview to the program. Students must meet the minimum requirements stipulated by the program.
- 2) Students who are exempted from submitting an English proficiency test score such as students with a scholarship or students of the special program must submit their NIDA TEAP or TOEFL or IELTS score for graduation.

The periods of validity of the test score are as follows:

- 1) NIDA TEAP score is valid for 1 year until the date of submission
- 2) TOEFL and IELTS are valid for 2 years until the date of submission Enrollment to English for graduate studies courses and the exemption from the courses are determined in compliance with the criteria and requirements stipulated in

the English for graduate studies program by the Graduate School of Language and Communication, National Institute of Development Administration.

- 3) Duration, All courses take on 4-5 semesters and 1-2 summer sessions, depending on the area of study / major. All subjects / majors have to register 9 credits each semester except the summer session.
- 4) Tuition fees may change as appropriate according to an announcement by NIDA.

#### 2. Selection Procedure

### 2.1 Written Examination

Qualified applicants must take the NIDA Qualifying Examination which consists of:

Condition	Written Examination
1. Applicants with a TOEFL score of 500 PBT,	- No Written Examination
173 CBT and 61 iBT or IELTS score of 6.0 or	
NIDA TOEFL ITP / NIDA TEAP score of 500	
and GMAT score of 500 or higher	
2. Applicants with a TOEFL score of 500 PBT,	- A Modified Speed Track Test
173 CBT and 61 iBT or IELTS score of 6.0 or	-
NIDA TOEFL ITP / NIDA TEAP score of 500	
or higher	
3. Applicants who have a GMAT score of 500	- An English Proficiency Test
or higher	
4. Applicants who have a working experience	- An English Proficiency Test
at least 1 year	- A Modified Speed Track Test
5. Applicants who are native speakers of	- A Business Aptitude Test
English or who have completed undergraduate	
studies in English – speaking countries within 5	
years prior to application	
6. Applicants who hold a bachelor's degree in	
any field or major from an accredited academic	- An English Proficiency Test
institution or Applicants who are studying in	
their last semester must graduate with a	
bachelor's degree on or before the first day of	
the semester for which they have been accepted	

Exemptions from English Communication Skills for Graduate Studies (LC5030) is as follows:

2.1.1 Applicants admitted to the program who have a TOEFL score of more than 500 but less than 550 must take English Communication Skills for Graduate Studies (LC5030).

Exemptions from LC5030: Applicants who have a TOEFL score of 550 or higher will be exempted from the *English Communication Skills for Graduate Studies* (LC5030) and from the English Proficiency Test. Applicants who score higher than the Institute's standard requirement on the English Proficiency Test will be exempted from *English Communication Skills for Graduate Studies* (LC5030).

(TOEFL and GMAT scores submitted in support of applications must be from tests taken within two years prior to application to NIDA. Native English speakers, or applicants who have completed undergraduate studies in English-speaking countries within five years prior to application to NIDA are exempted from the LC5030 and English Proficiency Test.)

#### 2.2 Interview

The admission committee will consider applicants that fulfill who pass the NIDA's Qualifying Examination to be interviewed by the faculty members of the Graduate School of Business Administration.

After the interview, the faculty will convene to review all of the qualified applicants and select those for admission to the program. Applicants who have been accepted into NIDA's English MBA program must submit a complete transcript and the required documents before they commence classes at NIDA. Applicants who fail to submit all required documents will not be admitted to the program.

# 3. Application Calendar

3.1 Download the application form from the NIDA MBA website (nidabusinessschool.com) or collect the form directly from the Graduate School of Business Administration, NIDA (8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Bunchana Atthakorn Building), or at the Educational Service Division, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Prince Naradhip Bongsprabandha Building

- First Round : Now - February 23<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

- Second Round : March 15th - May 11th, 2018.

- 3.2 Submit application and pay the examination fees at the Educational Service Division as specified in 3.1 (Open weekdays 9.00 a.m. 4.30 p.m. except holidays).
- 3.3 Applicants with qualifications detailed in 1.1 to 1.2 can download the application form from the NIDA website and apply for the interview at the Educational Service Division as specified in 3.1.

# 4. Application Materials

## 4.1 Application fees

4.1.1 Written examination fees	
Business Aptitude Test	200 Baht
English Proficiency Test	200 Baht
Modified Speed Track Test	200 Baht
4.1.2 Interview fee	200 Baht

- 4.2 Two letters of recommendation (Use standard form included with application form, in 3.1)
- 4.3 Two of 1-inch photos taken not more than six months prior to application date.
- 4.4 Copy of Identification
- 4.5 Complete (final) official transcripts of undergraduate studies (Applicants holding a bachelor's degree(continuing from an Associate's degree) must submit transcripts for both degree(Bachelor's and Associate)).
- 4.6 Applicants studying in their final semester in a Bachelor's degree program must submit an official letter verifying their status for graduation as well as their transcripts (A complete transcript with the specified date of graduation <u>must be submitted</u> on or before the first day of the term for which the applicant has been accepted).
- 4.7 Evidence of any change of name (if applicable).
- 4.8 In cases where the applicant has graduated from an institute outside Thailand, students must submit:
  - (1) A Letter of Confirmation on Standard Curriculum for Bachelor's Degree. This can be obtained from the Bureau of Standards and Evaluation at the Commission on Higher Education, Ministry of Education Tel: 0-2644-7029-36 ext. 727, 0-2354-5481 (Contact NIDA's Educational Service Division for details)
  - (2) An Official Letter of Certification for their Bachelor's Degree Graduation with their University Council's approval as well as a complete transcript with the specified date of graduation which must be sent directly from the applicant's university to the address below:

Educational Service Division,
National Institute of Development Administration
118 Seri Thai Road, Khlong Chan
Bangkapi, Bangkok 10240 Thailand
Facsimile: +66 2 377 7477

Item no. 4.8 can be submitted, at the latest, on the first day of the term for which an applicant has been accepted.

#### 5. Written Examination Application

#### 5.1 Schedule

NIDA will announce a list of applicants who are eligible to take the written examination at the Educational Service Division, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Prince Naradhip Bongsprabandha Building and at the Graduate School of Business Administration, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Bunchana Atthakorn Building. The list will also be posted on the NIDA MBA website (www.nidabusinessschool.com).

-First Round : March 1st, 2018.

-Second Round : May 17th, 2018.

The written examination will be held on

-First Round : March 4th, 2018.

-Second Round : May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

■ The Business Aptitude Test is from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

The Modified Speed Track is from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

■ The English Proficiency Test is from 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

The venue for the written examination will be announced on the NIDA MBA website (www.nidabusinessschool.com).

#### 6. Written Examination Results

Results of the written examination and the names of applicants eligible for the interviews will be announced on <u>March 9<sup>th</sup></u>, 2018 for the first round and June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 for the second round at the Educational Service Division, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Prince Naradhip Bongsprabandha Building and at the Graduate School of Business Administration, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Bunchana Atthakorn Building. The list will also be posted on the NIDA MBA website (<u>www.nidabusinessschool.com</u>).

### 7. Schedule for Interview

7.1 Applicants who pass the English MBA Program's Qualifying Examination according to 2.2.1 and 2.2.4 can register for an interview at the Educational Service Division,  $3^{rd}$  Floor, Prince Naradhip Bongsprabandha Building (Open weekdays 9.00 a.m. -4.30 p.m. except holidays)

-First Round : March 12th - 14th, 2018.

-Second Round : June 18th - 20th, 2018.

7.2 Interviews will be conducted on March 21<sup>th</sup>, 2018 for the first round and June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018 for the second round. Interviews will be held at the Graduate School of Business Administration, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Bunchana Atthakorn Building.

Interview applicants not residing in Thailand must make special arrangements by contacting the Graduate School of Business Administration in advance.

## 8. Announcement of Results

A list of successful applicants admitted to the program will be announced on **April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 for the first round and July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 for the second round** at the Educational Service Division, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Prince Naradhip Bongsprabandha Building. The list will also be posted the NIDA MBA website (www.nidabusinessschool.com).

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