



Announcement for the International Buddhist Studies College
Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University
Scholarship Criteria for Students of the
International Buddhist Studies College
Master of Arts in Innovative Mindfulness and
Peace Studies (International Program)
Academic Year 2025

1. Objective of Granting Scholarships

The International Buddhist Studies College has established a project to provide scholarships for students in the **Innovative Mindfulness and Peace Studies (International Program)**, as well as to offer assistance in promoting and enhancing the quality of life for students, ensuring better educational opportunities.

2. Scholarship Applicant Qualifications

2.1 Educational status

1) Be a student currently in the fourth year of a bachelor's degree or a graduate with a bachelor's degree from any faculty of Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University.

2) Be a student currently in the fourth year of a bachelor's degree or a graduate with a bachelor's degree at a university that has a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the International Buddhist Studies College.

2.2 Grade Point Average (GPA)

Must have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) with at least 3.00 from years 1 - 4 (7 semesters) or hold a bachelor's degree.

2.3 Standardized exam results/Language proficiency

Have your English language test results certified by an organization at Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University, or by the Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation (MHESI), as follows:

1) MCU – GET	at least	220 scores
2) TOEFL Paper	at least	500 scores
3) TOEFL Computer	at least	173 scores
4) TOEFL Internet	at least	61 scores

5) IELTS	at least	5.0 scores
6) CU-TEP	at least	66 scores
7) TU-GET	at least	55 scores

2.4 Experience while studying

- 1) Has experience as a leader or participation in university activities (attached document for consideration)
- 2) Has experience as a leader or has joined efforts to drive the development of communities, villages, and society (document certified by community leaders).

2.5 Study Plan or Research Project

Scholarship applicants must submit an educational plan or a thesis topic on which the research will be conducted. They should have clear plans and aspirations to carry out research or study projects that will bring benefits after graduation and are consistent with the objectives of the scholarship.

2.6 Letter of Recommendation from the lecture advisor

Applicants for scholarships must have a letter of recommendation or approval from an lecture advisor that confirms the applicant's ability and potential in education.

3. Details of the scholarship:

Details of the scholarship to produce peace leaders in the Master of Arts in Innovative Mindfulness and Peace Studies (International Program) with support for tuition fees and various expenses throughout the 2-year course.

4. Admission details

- Application period: 1 March - 30 April 2025
- Deadline for the application and essay submission: 30 April 2025
- Announcement of Candidates Shortlisted for Interview (Based on Essay Evaluation): 10 May 2025
- Interview for shortlisted applicants: 15 May 2025
- Final Selection Announcement: 30 May 2025

5. Number of scholarship recipients

There are a total of two scholarships available for the academic year 2025, divided into two categories, with one scholarship for each category:

- 1) Scholarship for students currently in their 4th year of a bachelor's degree or who have graduated with a bachelor's degree from Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University.

– 1 scholarship is available for this category

2) Scholarship for students in the fourth year of a bachelor's degree at a university that has a memorandum of understanding with the International Buddhist Studies College

– 1 scholarship is available for this category

6. Essay

Students are required to write an essay of no less than 2,500 words as part of the criteria for consideration as scholarship applicants. The essay should be written in English, and the following topics should be addressed:

- Introduce yourself and share information about your background, values, and life commitments.
- Describe how you plan to be involved in your community after graduating with a Master of Arts in Innovative Mindfulness and Peace Studies (International Program).

7. Interviewing

Let students explain and express their thoughts and attitudes toward studying the Master of Arts in Innovative Mindfulness and Peace Studies (International Program) and how it aligns with their life goals. This is in English and is part of the criteria for consideration as a scholarship applicant.

8. Criteria for Scholarship Consideration

1. Essay	100	scores
2. Interviewing	100	scores

Candidates eligible for the interview must obtain a minimum score of 60 points from the committee in the essay writing assessment. Similarly, those selected for the scholarship must achieve at least 60 points in the interview evaluation.

9. Scholarship Recipients

Scholarship recipients must be the top scorers in item number 8 within each scholarship category. Additionally, their scores from both the essay writing and interview assessments must be at least 60 points in each section.

10. Application documents

1) Application form (Enclosed document 1)

- Official Photo (size 1.5 inches)
- Passport (for foreigner) / ID card (for Thai)
- Transcript & Certificate

- Medical certificate
- House Registration (For Thai)
- Monk's identification card (for Thai)
- English language Requirement
- CV / Resume
- Certificate of Dhamma Studies
- Certificate of Personal Name Change

2) Portfolio (Enclosed document 2)

- Statement of purpose (Justification for choosing this course of study)
- Profile (Personal information)
- Transcript
- Activities
- Certificate

11. Committee decision

The decisions of the Scholarship Committee for the Master of Arts in Innovative Mindfulness and Peace Studies (International Program), International Buddhist Studies College, as well as the approval of the Scholarship Committee for the Master of Arts in Innovative Mindfulness and Peace Studies (International Program), International Buddhist Studies College, are considered final.

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