



**Kasetsart University (KU)
Faculty of Economics
Center for International Affairs (ECIA)
Bangkok, Thailand**

ECIA supports the many international programs and activities sponsored by the KU Faculty of Economics.

Primary focus is on the Faculty of Economics' premier international programs, the Entrepreneurial Economics Bachelor of Arts (EEBA) and the Bachelor of Economics (BEcon), which are 4-year bachelor degree programs, and the Master's and Ph.D. in Agricultural and Resource Economics.

BACHELOR OF ARTS ENTREPRENEURIAL ECONOMICS (INTERNATIONAL):



The EEBA (Entrepreneurial Economics) program is intentionally international in character, with a focus on entrepreneurial studies and business economics, especially agricultural business. It is an undergraduate 4-year program, taught in English.

The EEBA program has four areas of major focus within the field of Entrepreneurial Economics: Agricultural Business and Food; Applied Finance for Entrepreneurs; Tourism and Hospitality; and Logistics (global supply chain management). The EEBA faculty seeks to train and graduate students who will advance cross-border businesses successfully while consciously preserving the world's natural resources, serving agricultural communities, fostering sustainable enterprises, and promoting environmental protections. The program has an applied focus and many students undertake internships or practical research projects. The first class of EEBA students entered KU in 2010.

EEBA See: <http://www.eeba.eco.ku.ac.th>

BACHELOR OF ECONOMICS (ENGLISH):



The BEcon (Bachelor in Economics) degree program, also taught exclusively in English, offers an in-depth training in theories, principles, thoughts and applications of economics on economic and social issues. The program covers a wide range of economic fields/subjects including economic development and planning, labor, transportation, international trade and finance, fiscal and monetary policies, industrial organization, natural resources and environment, quantitative economics and business economics. The program meets international standards of excellence in economic training. The department of economics commits to providing excellent training for a future workforce who is competitive in the job market as well as in the academic world. The first class of BEcon students entered KU in 2013

See online: <http://becon.eco.ku.ac.th/>

M.S. and Ph.D. in Agricultural and Resource Economics:

M.S in Agricultural and Resource Economics Ph.D. in Agricultural and Resource Economics

The postgraduate program in agricultural and resource economics at KU is the most recognized program of its kind in Thailand and is increasingly renowned internationally. These degree programs are research oriented, with an emphasis on empirical and applied research, often with field studies in regional agricultural economies.

The curriculum includes core courses in economic theories, econometrics and elective courses in specific subjects intended to prepare students for a professional career in agricultural economics. It is a 2-year program (minimum of 37 required credits that comprises 19 core credits, 6 elective credits, and 12 thesis credits).

The program is designed to engender regional and international exchange of ideas in agricultural development and policy issues. The program has successfully created distinguished researchers in several countries including Bhutan, Cambodia, Laos, Ethiopia, Vietnam, Indonesia, Myanmar, and Thailand.

See online: <http://agri.eco.ku.ac.th/eng.php>

COLLABORATIVE OBJECTIVES:

The Faculty of Economics together with the Kasetsart University International Studies Center supports a large number of collaborative student and faculty programs. ECIA has embarked on a deliberate effort to expand exchange connections with highly regarded universities in Europe, North America, Australia, and other parts of Asia.

The Faculty of Economics seeks to provide a rigorous, rewarding academic and cultural experience to international visiting scholars and students. Initiatives include student and faculty exchange programs, affiliated progressive degree programs, short-term practical training modules, joint research projects or field placements/internships, in addition to the bachelor degree study programs intending to prepare students for graduate studies, and postgraduate degree programs.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

Semester 1: August to December

Semester 2: January to May

EXCHANGE / INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:

Although the majority of the student body is from Thailand, in a typical year approximately 50 to 60 foreign exchange or visiting students (about 10 to 15% of the enrollment) attend classes for one or two semesters. Generally, the visiting students represent more than 12 foreign countries; the majority come from Western Europe and Japan.



Visitors may start classes in August or January. Applications are due approximately three months prior to the start of the period of study.

We warmly welcome and highly value the contributions of our foreign visiting students.

A majority of the students enrolled in the Master's and Ph.D. English-language graduate degree programs offered by the Faculty of Economics are from abroad, and complete their degree requirements in English.

CURRICULAR OFFERINGS:

The Faculty of Economics offers a wide-spectrum of courses, taught in English, as part of the EEBA and BEcon curriculum. Currently, our approved curriculum includes over 50 classes, most of which earn 3 units of credit (15 weeks of class; 1 hour of instruction per academic credit) based on western standards reflecting instructional class time, assessment methodologies, and class prep workload.

We also assist visiting students to develop study plans making use of English-language programs offered by other faculty departments, such as Business Administration, Tourism Management, Agriculture or Engineering. Thai language and culture courses are open to foreign students.



HOUSING FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:

Some on-campus housing accommodations are available, and private residential rentals are readily available near to campus (accessible by walking, taxi or bus). The campus is accessible by public transportation, and is located near to a variety of retail shopping venues, banks, restaurants, nightlife, fitness, and health care facilities.

“BUDDY PROGRAM” FOR EXCHANGE VISITORS:

We offer a "Buddy Program" to pair Thai and visiting students. We offer a thorough Orientation at the start of each semester, advise students on course selections, and do our utmost to ensure each student is welcomed.



OUR FACULTY:

All of the faculty members who teach in the Faculty of Economics' international programs completed their Ph.D. in English language programs from highly ranked foreign universities.

INTERNSHIPS FOR VISITING STUDENTS:

We collaborate with local business partners to provide (selective) internship opportunities for our visiting students, while they study with us or after the academic studies are completed. These programs are selective and competitive - students will need to make an individual application.



OUR ALUMNI – GRADUATE PROGRAMS ABROAD:

Approximately 20% of our alumni pursue postgraduate degrees abroad. Our alumni have undertaken postgraduate studies in a variety of disciplines in highly regarded universities located in Europe (mostly the U.K. and Germany), the U.S.A., China, Japan, South Korea, Australia, and New Zealand, and other countries.

FOREIGN VISITING FACULTY:

Each semester, the Faculty of Economics invites several foreign faculty members to teach in our degree programs. Visiting scholars and lecturers are invited to lecture in the regularly scheduled classes and are funded (transportation, accommodations, and expense stipend) for short visits, typically 7 to 10 days. It is our goal to introduce our students to distinguished faculty, to highlight study opportunities abroad (as undergraduate exchange students or as postgraduate degree students), and to strengthen links with our partner universities.



OTHER COLLABORATIVE PROGRAMS:

- Okayama - Kasetsart International Practical Environmental Education Program Project, JAPAN
- Exchange Student Program with University of Tsukuba, JAPAN
- SMART Joint Research Program with Cornell University, USA
- AIMS / Asia International Mobility of Students, ASEAN

SERVICES ECIA OFFERS TO OUR STUDENTS:

- Information about Exchange or Visiting Student Studies Abroad
- Researching Degree Programs and Applying to Postgraduate Studies Abroad
- How to Prepare Your Resume
- How to Prepare Your Statement of Purpose
- How to Prepare for Job Application Cover Letter
- Internship Placement Opportunities
- How to Spend Your Summer Abroad
- Buddy Program / Matching Thai and Foreign Visiting Students
- Short-term Study Tour Programs



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