



IAC International Newsletter

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RECENT EVENTS:

PSU PHUKET CAMPUS STAFF AND STUDENTS TRAVEL TO JAPAN ON A SAKURA-EXCHANGE PROGRAM IN SCIENCE

Led by Asst. Prof. Nuwan Thapthiang, Ph.D, Assistant to the President for International Affairs, Phuket Campus, two staff and eight students visited Yokohama City University, Kanazawa-Hakkei Campus during February 27 - March 4, 2017 for the Sakura-Exchange Program in Science, funded by Japan Science and Technology Agency and organized by Yokohama City University. PSU, Phuket delegation was warmly welcomed by Assoc. Professor Takayuki Takahashi and YCU students. The purpose of the program was for academic and cultural exchange. The trip also included visits to National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation and other cultural attractions in Tokyo.



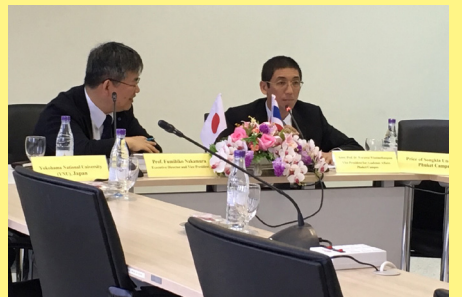
STKIP PGRI, EAST JAVA, REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA VISIT PSU, PHUKET CAMPUS

On March 7, 2017, PSU, Phuket Campus welcomed delegates from eight STKIP PGRI universities, East Java, Republic of Indonesia. Potential academic collaborations were discussed among PSU Phuket and STKIP PGRI universities' representatives, led by Asst. Prof. Nuwan Thapthiang, Ph.D, Assistant to the President for International Affairs, Phuket Campus. STKIP PGRI universities have expressed a strong interest in a short term student exchange program. MOUs between both sides are expected to be completed in the near future.



A VISIT FROM PROF. FUMIHIKO NAKAMURA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND VICE PRESIDENT FROM YOKOHAMA NATIONAL UNIVERSITY (YNU)

On March 20, 2017, Assoc. Prof. Worawut Wisutmethangoon, Ph.D., Vice President for Academic and other PSU Phuket representatives welcomed Prof. Fumihiko Nakamura, Executive Director and Vice President from Yokohama National University (YNU). The purpose of the visit was to discuss the possibility of setting up a YNU office at PSU Phuket Campus.



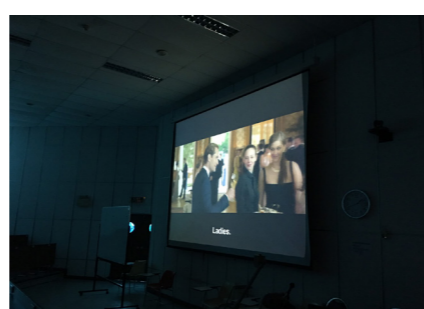
ACTIVITIES FOR BUNKYO UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

Under the "International Student Short Course Program" for the academic year of 2016, Bunkyo University sent nine students to enroll in courses offered by FHT and FIS focusing on business, management and Thai culture. For the duration of their 2.5-month stay both academic and recreational activities have been organized by FHI, FIS and IAC.



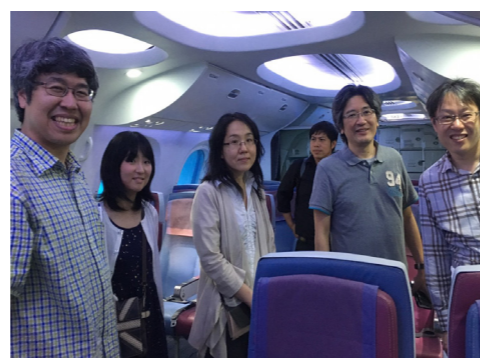
PSU MOVIE DAY KICK-OFF

IAC kicked off its "PSU Movie Day" project on March 29, 2017. Not only did around 40 Thai and international attendants enjoyed "Spy", but some also won little prizes to take home. Please remember there will still be four more great movies to enjoy. Be on the lookout for our next movie ad.



A VISIT FROM YOKOHAMA NATIONAL UNIVERSITY (YNU)

Six delegates from Yokohama National University (YNU) paid a quick visit to PSU, Phuket Campus on March 29, 2017. Greeted by Assoc. Prof. Worawut Wisutmethangoon, Ph.D., Vice President for Academic and other PSU Phuket representatives, the delegation took an opportunity to visit ESSAND and FHT.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Songkran Festival 2017

You're invited to join Songkran Festival 2017 at PSU Phuket on **Monday April 10th**

09:30 - 10:45 : A Buddhist ceremony

11:00 : A ceremony to show respect to the PSU Phuket administrative representatives and staff

12:00-13:30 : Lunch hosted by PSU Phuket

: Food stalls: local food, drinks by FHT, Student Union, etc.

Venue : 1st floor, Building 7

Dress code : Casual

Activity Hour : 3 units for Development of Intercultural Understandings.



IMPORTANT Notice and Information

ALWAYS Obey Traffic Regulations

1. Wear a helmet at all time
2. Never drive/ride drunk
3. Never use your mobile phone while driving/riding
4. Never exceed speed limits
5. Only park at designated areas



****Smoking is strictly prohibited on university premises**

If violated, a fine of maximum 2,000 baht will be levied.



HOLIDAYS in April

THURSDAY 6 APRIL: CHAKRI MEMORIAL DAY

Chakri Memorial Day commemorates the establishment of the Chakri Dynasty and the founding of Bangkok by King Buddha Yodfa Chulaloke in 1782. The Chakri dynasty of Thailand was founded by Phra Buddha Yodfa Chulaloke or King Rama I, who came to the throne on April 6, 1782. During his reign of 28 years, he united the kingdom and established Bangkok as its capital. He died on September 7, 1809 at the age of 72.

THURSDAY 13 - MONDAY 17: SONGKRAN FESTIVAL

Songkran is celebrated as Thai New Year. It is celebrated by the pouring of water, to symbolize the washing away of sins. Respect is shown to the elderly by pouring water over the palms of elders' hands. This was the traditional way, but you will see today that the festival has evolved into an all out water festival. You will see people with water guns, and in pick up trucks with big tubs filled with water, splashing water on everyone that passes. It is really great fun to join in with your Thai friends to celebrate this fantastic festival.



IMMIGRATION MATTERS

90 DAY REPORT ONLINE!

Must be done 8 - 15 days **BEFORE** the 90 day due date stamped in your passport.

On the IAC website (<http://www.iac.phuket.psu.ac.th/>) under "Useful Information" you can find a link titled "Online 90 Day Report Instructions" to guide you to doing the online 90 day report. You can also contact IAC for further information and if you have any questions.

IMPORTANT: FULL-TIME INTERNATIONAL STAFF AND STUDENTS, PLEASE REMEMBER TO CHECK YOUR PASSPORT TO SEE WHEN YOU MUST DO YOUR 90 DAY REPORT EITHER ONLINE (8-15 DAYS BEFORE DUE DATE) OR AT THE IMMIGRATION OFFICE IN PHUKET TOWN.



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