



IAC International Newsletter

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RECENT EVENTS:

NOVEMBER 16 - 17: PSU PHUKET OPEN HOUSE 2017

On November, 16th - 17th, the Opening Ceremony of PSU Open House took place on Thursday, November 16, 2017. Our campus was privileged to have the keynote speeches given by two famous, distinguished guests: Dr. Somkiat Tangkitvanich, a leading Thai expert in the areas of trade and investment policies, innovation policy, education policy and ICT policy; and Mr. Ekaluck Viriyakovithya, Chief Operating Officer (COO) of Wongnai Media Co., Ltd. The Opening Ceremony was conducted in Thai. Throughout the two-day event, there were many interesting activities, contests, and exhibitions that took place around the campus.



NOVEMBER 18: A VISIT OF IOAA CONTESTANTS TO PSU, PHUKET

On November 18th, 2017, Prince of Songkla University, Phuket Campus welcomed a group of 220 IOAA (the 11th International Olympiad on Astronomy and Astrophysics) contestants from 46 different countries. There was a team-building competition that took place in the mobile planetarium in the Sport Complex Building, (Bldg. 9) PSU Phuket.



NOVEMBER 20: THE CLOSING CEREMONY OF IOAA 2017

On November 20th, 2017 Assoc. Prof. Dr. Worawut Wisutmethangoon, Vice President for Phuket Campus, joined the closing ceremony of IOAA (the 11th International Olympiad on Astronomy and Astrophysics) to present certificates and awards to all the contestants. We are very proud that 5 Thai contestants won 5 medals in various categories. The closing ceremony took place at Duangjitt Resort and Spa, Patong Beach, Phuket Thailand.



NOVEMBER 20: A VISIT FROM MURDOCH UNIVERSITY, AUSTRALIA

On November 20th, Asst. Prof. Dr. Apichat Heednacram, Assistant President for Global Relations, warmly welcomed representatives from Murdoch University, Australia to PSU, Phuket on the 5th floor of Get-Ho Meeting Room, the President's Office Building, Bldg.7. The purpose of the visit was to give presentations about post-graduate study opportunities at Murdoch University, Australia and available scholarships for Thai and international students.



NOVEMBER 23: ASEAN AND THAILAND TOUR VISIT

On November 23rd, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Worawut Wisutmethangoon, Vice President for Phuket Campus, and other PSU Phuket representatives warmly welcomed keynote speaker Dr. Suriya Chindawongse, Director-General of Department of ASEAN Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Thailand to PSU, Phuket on the 1st floor of the Theatre Room (5104A), the Learning Centre Building, (Bldg.5). The topic of the lecture was “Moving Towards Thailand’s ASEAN Chairmanship 2019.” The lecture was entirely conducted in English.



BASIC ENGLISH CLASS FOR STAFF

On August 21st, IAC kicked off “Basic English Class” under the “Staff Development Project.” The purpose of this project is to improve Thai staff’s English skills in order to become an international campus. Around 100 Thai supporting staff participated and took a placement test before the classes commence. The classes are being taught by Aj. Milla Budiarto, an International Affairs Officer, on the 2nd floor of the Main Classrooms and Laboratories Building, (Bldg.6), room 6219. The classes are classified into 4 levels and divided into 6 groups based on their English skills proficiency. This project will run for 6 months, classes are on Monday - Friday in the mornings and afternoons.

B A S I C E N G L I S H



TELL ME MORE PLACEMENT TEST FOR STAFF

On September 25th - 28th, IAC in coordination with IT section organized “Tell Me More Program” under the “Staff Development Project” for all President’s Office staff. Around 112 staff took a placement test before studying for a 3-month period using the Tell Me More learning program. The staff members are required to collect a certain number of hours based on their placement test scores. The test and classes take place at the 5th floor of FIS’ laboratory room in Building 6 on Mondays and Wednesdays until December 2017. This project is aimed to improve the staff’s English skills using the self-learning program Tell Me More. There will be two additional tests (Progress Test and Achievement Test) that will be administered throughout the project until the end of May 2018.



Upcoming Events!!

DECEMBER 2 - 15

Final Exams Week. Good luck to all students!



DECEMBER 20: IAC CHRISTMAS PARTY

Come and join the fun on Wednesday, December 20 as IAC will be hosting our annual Christmas Party from 14:30 - 16:30 hrs with lots of tasty snacks to enjoy and some special prizes to win.



Upcoming Holidays in December 2017

The holiday season is upon us and there are many public holidays coming up this month, as you can see:

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5: The late King Bhumibol Adulyadej's Birthday and National Father's Day.

The Thai Cabinet has resolved to keep December 5 as a public holiday each year in honour of His Majesty the late King Bhumibol Adulyadej.



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10: CONSTITUTION DAY (THAI: วันรัฐธรรมนูญ) THAMMANUN

Commemoration of the declaration of the first permanent Constitution in Thailand in 1932.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11: SUBSTITUTION HOLIDAY FOR CONSTITUTION DAY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31: NEW YEAR'S EVE

MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 2018: NEW YEAR'S DAY

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2018: SUBSTITUTION HOLIDAY FOR NEW YEAR'S DAY



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 do 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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