



IAC International Newsletter

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RECENT EVENTS:

SEPTEMBER 17: IAC PROJECT EXCURSION TO PHANG-NGA

On September 17th, IAC organized a one-day trip to Phang-Nga province visiting many tourist attractions including: Sarasin Bridge, Phang-Nga Bay National Park (Panyee Island, Tham Lod, Ping Kan & James Bond Islands), Bang Phat Fisherman Village, and 360° View Point & Water Park. Around 40 people (international/Thai staff and students) joined this excursion. We were so lucky to have great weather all day long. The trip took us by bus and long-tail boat to very scenic locations in the bay, and a fantastic and plentiful seafood lunch.



SEPTEMBER: 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.



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SEPTEMBER 20: “STUDIES IN FRANCE & SCHOLARSHIPS” AND “FELLOWSHIP & MOBILITY PROGRAMS”

On September 20th, IAC in cooperation with the 2017 Campus France Tour representatives organized a “Studies in France & Scholarships” and “Fellowship & Mobility Program.” Mr. Vincent DRAPEAU, Chargé de Mission for Scientific and Higher Education Cooperation, French Embassy, and Mr. Pollawat KANTAPOM, Student Advisor, Campus France, French Embassy gave the presentations. Around 50 PSU Phuket staff and students attended the presentations about studying in France, scholarships available, and fellowship programs. The presentations took place in room 6314, 3rd floor of the Main Classroom and Laboratories Building, (Bldg.6) from 1.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.



SEPTEMBER 21: PSU PHUKET TEACHER HOMAGE DAY

On September 21st, PSU Phuket organized an annual event **“Teacher Homage Day”** at the beginning of each academic year, to set aside a special day to honor teachers. On this day, a ceremony was conducted according to Buddhist religious rites including offerings of food and other articles to the monks, and a blessing. After eating breakfast together, students pay respect to their teachers, and teachers give students their blessings. Live music was performed. At the end of the event, recognition was given to outstanding students who achieved high academic distinctions. The event took place in the Chao Fah Meeting Hall of the President’s Office Building, (Bldg.7) from 11.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.



SEPTEMBER 24: THE MAHIDOL DAY

On September 24th, PSU Phuket, as well as various representatives from local hospitals, schools, universities, and government institutions paid tribute to HRH Prince Mahidol Adulyadej, the Prince of Songkla, known as the **“Father of Thai Modern Medicine.”** And the presentation of wreath to represent international staff and students was presented by Asst. Prof. Apichat Heednacram, Ph.D., Assistant President for Global Relations.



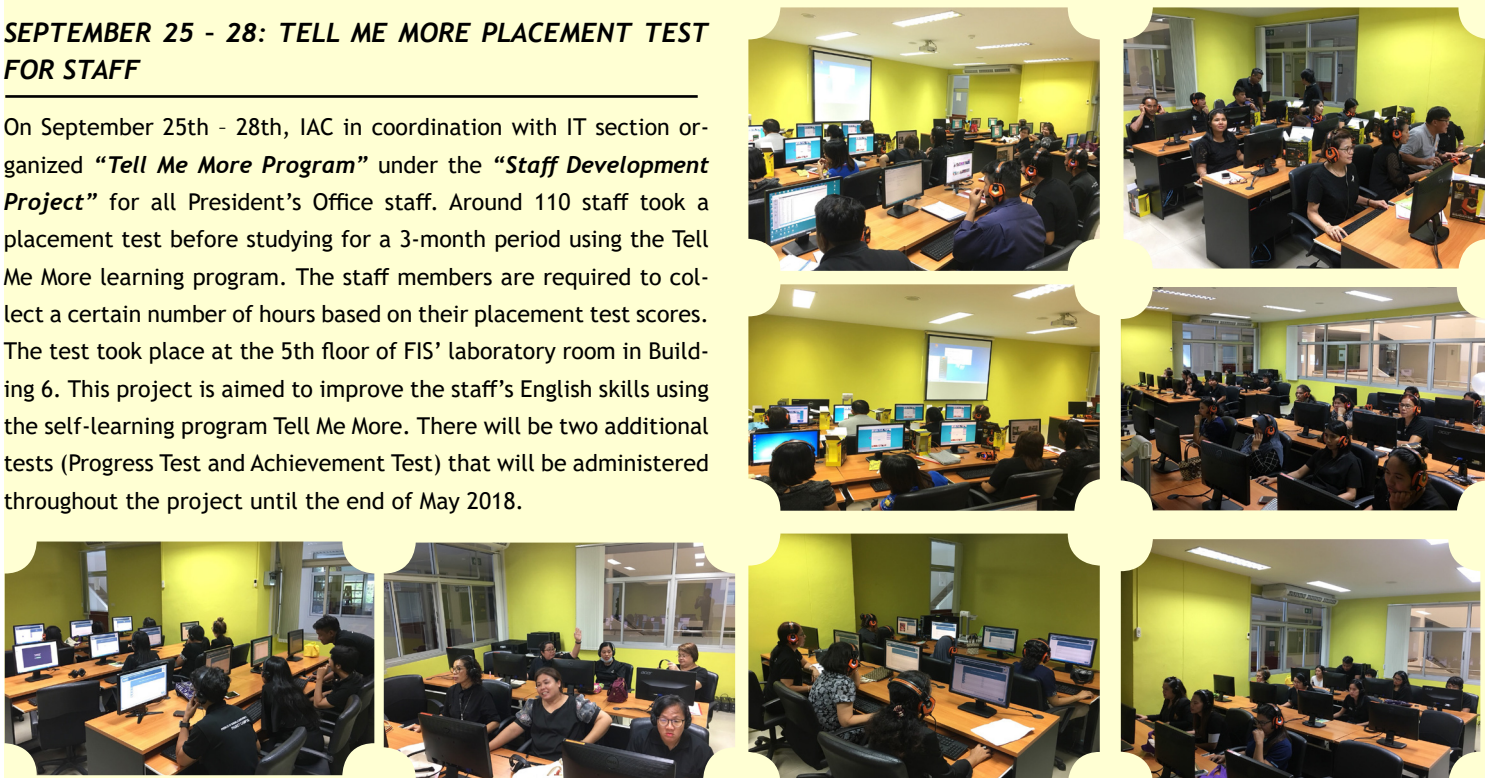
SEPTEMBER 26: PSU PHUKET COMMENCEMENT DAY

On September 26th, PSU Phuket organized graduation photo sessions for over 500 graduates in the morning. In the afternoon, students attended the graduation rehearsal wearing their graduation gowns.



SEPTEMBER 25 - 28: 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 110 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 took place at the 5th floor of FIS’ laboratory room in Building 6. 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.



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.

If you got a head, u need a helmet!



Upcoming Events & Holidays in October 2017

20-28 October: Phuket Vegetarian Festival

The Phuket Vegetarian Festival will go ahead as planned between 20-28 October. However, there will be no parades until the last day, no firecrackers except as part of the ritual inside the shrine, and no flags decorated on the street except at the shrine.



HOLIDAYS IN OCTOBER

- 13 October 2017, Friday His Majesty the late King Bhumibol Adulyadej Memorial Day
- 23 October 2017, Monday King Chulalongkorn Memorial Day
- 26 October 2017, Thursday Extra holiday (The Royal Cremation Ceremony of His Majesty the Late King Bhumibol Adulyadej)

In Remembrance of His Majesty
King Bhumibol Adulyadej
1927 - 2016



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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