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### RECENT EVENTS:

#### OCTOBER 28: DELEGATES FROM FUDAN UNIVERSITY, CHINA VISITED PSU PHUKET

On October 28th, 2019 Assoc. Prof. Pun Tongchumnum, Ph.D., Vice President for Phuket Campus; Asst. Prof. Pensiri Akkajit, Ph.D., Assistant President for International Affairs; Asst. Prof. Parichart Maneemai, Ph.D., Assistant to President for Academic Affairs, Trang Campus; and other representatives from PSU Phuket & Trang Campuses warmly welcomed delegates from Fudan University, China to PSU Phuket on the 3rd floor of the President's Office Building (Bldg.7). The purpose of this visit was to discuss about the preparation of the Youth Innovation Competition on Lancang-Mekong Region's Governance and Development (YICMG) final competition on PSU Phuket campus next year in February 2020.



#### OCTOBER 30: DELEGATES FROM DR. BABASAHEB AMBEDKAR MARATHWADA UNIVERSITY, INDIA VISITED PSU PHUKET.

On October 30th, 2019 Asst. Prof. Pensiri Akkajit, Ph.D., Assistant President for International Affairs; and other PSU Phuket representatives warmly welcomed delegates and Thai alumni from Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, India to PSU Phuket on the 3rd floor of the President's Office Building (Bldg.7). The purpose of this visit was to discuss about future collaboration between PSU Phuket and Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University (BAMU) in the near future.



#### NOVEMBER 8: A DELEGATE FROM ROYAL MELBOURNE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (RMIT) UNIVERSITY, AUSTRALIA VISITED PSU PHUKET.

On November 8th, 2019 Assoc. Prof. Pun Tongchumnum, Ph.D., Vice President for Phuket Campus; and other PSU Phuket representatives warmly welcomed Dr. Nina Nguyen, Senior Program Officer of Greenhouse and Sustainability Program from RMIT, Australia, to PSU Phuket on the 3rd floor of the President's Office Building (Bldg.7). The purpose of this visit was to discuss about potential collaboration opportunities for RMIT and PSU Phuket postgraduate students in areas such as joint research, industry-based projects, and other projects of common interest--especially in sustainability--to further strengthen our partnerships through collaborative efforts and exchange of knowledge.





## NOVEMBER 14: PSU PHUKET FOUNDING DAY

On November 14th, 2019 PSU Phuket celebrated the 42nd Anniversary of PSU Phuket Campus on the 1st floor of the Sports Complex (Bldg. 9) with Buddhist Ceremony and donations of food and offerings to the monks.

PSU was founded in 1967 as the first university in southern Thailand. The name: **“Prince of Songkla”** was bestowed by H. M. King Bhumibol Adulyadej in honour of his late father: HRH Prince Mahidol of Songkla. PSU Phuket was founded on 14th November 1977.

The current campus was established in 1993, having grown from the original Phuket Community College (PCC).

PSU’s acronym: **MOR-OR (in Thai ม.อ.)** is taken from the original name of Prince Mahidol Adulyadej, HRH Prince Mahidol of Songkla.

HRH Prince Mahidol of Songkla’s tenets is: **“Let consideration of personal gain take second place to the overall benefit of mankind. Good fortune, wealth and prestige come naturally to those who are spiritually dedicated in their work.”**



## NOVEMBER 15: PSU OPEN HOUSE 2019

On November 15th, 2019 PSU Phuket hosted **PSU Open House 2019**. The event was officially opened during the Opening Ceremony that took place at Chao-Fah Room, 5th floor of the President’s Office Building (Bldg.7). Our campus was privileged to have Phuket Governor, Mr. Phakaphong Taviphattana, delivering the welcoming remarks. The vice president of PSU Phuket, Assoc. Prof. Pun Thongchumnum, Ph.D. also gave his conference remarks followed by the opening ceremony being officially opened by Dr. Satit Pitutacha, Deputy Minister of Public Health. During this occasion, PSU Phuket also held **MOU Signing Ceremony & Certificate of Appreciation Presentation** with several schools in Phuket and a few government & local organizations. The Opening Ceremony was concluded with **special talk titled, “University’s Role to the Community in Phuket on Academic Services or Research in Social Science”** presented by Professor Surichai Wungaeo, PSU Phuket Campus Council Committee. The Opening Ceremony was conducted entirely in Thai. Throughout the day, there were many interesting activities, contests, and exhibitions that took place around the campus.





## NOVEMBER 26: DELEGATES FROM UNIVERSITIES AND INSTITUTIONS, CHINA VISITED PSU PHUKET

On November 26th, 2019 Assoc. Prof. Pun Tongchumnum, Ph.D., Vice President for Phuket Campus; Assoc. Prof. Prathana Kannaovakun, Ph.D., Vice President for Academic Affairs, Phuket Campus; along with PSU Phuket deans and representatives warmly welcomed delegates from 13 prestigious universities and institutions from China such as Fudan University, Nanjing University, Xiamen University, Lanzhou University, Beijing Normal University, and many others. The friendly meet-and-greet session was organized by the Confucius Institute at Phuket (CIP) and was held on the 5th floor of the President's Office Building (Bldg.7). The purpose of this visit was to give brief introduction of each institutions, discuss opportunities for PSU Phuket students to study in China, and possible collaboration in the near future.



### Upcoming Events!!

**NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 4**  
*Final Exams Week. Good luck to all students!*



### DECEMBER 25: IAC CHRISTMAS PARTY

Come and join the fun on Wednesday, December 25 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 2019

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5: His Majesty 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.



**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10: CONSTITUTION DAY (THAI: วันรัฐธรรมนูญ WAN RATTHA THAMMANUN)**

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

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 30: EXTRA HOLIDAY**

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31: NEW YEAR'S EVE**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2020: NEW YEAR'S DAY**



Here is a wishing that the coming New Year is a glorious one that rewards all your future endeavors with success.  
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 Happy New Year 2020.

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