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JULY - AUGUST 2022

RECENT EVENTS

JUNE 10: VIRTUAL MOU SIGNING CEREMONY BETWEEN GANNAN UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (GNUST), CHINA AND PRINCE OF SONGKLA UNIVERSITY, PHUKET

On June 10th, 2022 PSU Phuket hosted a virtual MOU Signing Ceremony with Gannan University of Science and Technology (GNUST), China. The ceremony began with an introduction of the representatives from both universities followed by welcoming speeches given by Assoc. Prof. Pun Thongchumnum, Ph.D., Vice President for PSU Phuket Campus, and Assoc. Prof. He Jinlong, Vice President of GNUST. Additionally, both universities showed multimedia presentations to briefly introduce the campus and its programs. Around 10 representatives attended the virtual signing ceremony including Prof. Fu Yuhua, Ph.D., Management Committee member and the team from GNUST; Assoc. Prof. Prathana Kannaovakun, Ph.D., Vice President for Academic Affairs, PSU Phuket Campus; Asst. Prof. Pornpisanu Promsivapallop, Ph.D., Dean of Faculty of Hospitality and Tourism; and representatives from the International Affairs Centre (IAC). Both universities signed the MOU virtually and ended the ceremony with a commemorative photo-taking to celebrate the monumental event.



JUNE 17: ORIENTATION FOR NEW FACULTY OF MEDICINE STUDENTS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2022

On June 17th, 2022 PSU Phuket hosted an orientation to warmly welcome new medical students from the Faculty of Medicine, who will be studying under the Multi-potential medical production course, and their parents at Ket-Ho Meeting Room, PSU Phuket. Around 40 people attended the orientation program including various representatives from Phuket government organizations, local hospitals, PSU alumni, and PSU Phuket executives and staff. The orientation program started with welcoming remarks given by Phuket Vice Governor, Mr. Pichet Panapong; Director of the Medical Education Center from Vachira Phuket Hospital, Dr. Anuchit Choowet; and PSU Phuket Vice President, Assoc. Prof. Pun Tongchumnum, Ph.D., followed by one special talk on “Phuket Health Sandbox” by Phuket Provincial Administrative Organization Consultant, Dr. Bancha Kakong (former Director-General of the Department of Health). Then, a session for the students to briefly introduce themselves and share their expectations and intentions of studying medicine. Additionally, Dr. Kongkiat Ketphet, Chief Executive Officer of Bangkok Hospital Eastern Group, shared his insightful experience as a medical school graduate. Towards the end of the program, Assoc. Prof. Prathana Kannaovakun, Ph.D., Vice President for Academic Affairs, PSU Phuket Campus, introduced the faculty members, lecturers, and advisors. The orientation program concluded with a Q&A session and a group photo.



JUNE 21: ORIENTATION FOR NEW INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS FROM JAPAN

On June 21st, 2022 FHT in coordination with IAC arranged an orientation day for a group of 12 new international students, from Japan College of Foreign Languages (JCFL), who will be studying in the Faculty of Hospitality and Tourism (FHT) under the 1+3 and 2+2 programs at PSU Phuket. During the orientation, IAC showed an introductory video “A Day on Campus” and gave a presentation on immigration information. Then, IAC also organized a short campus tour as part of the orientation program, visiting the offices and facilities on campus.



JULY 1: VIRTUAL MOU SIGNING CEREMONY BETWEEN UNIVERSITAS ISLAM MALANG (UNISMA), INDONESIA AND PRINCE OF SONGKLA UNIVERSITY (PSU), THAILAND

On July 1st, 2022 Universitas Islam Malang, Indonesia hosted a virtual MOU Signing Ceremony with Prince of Songkla University, Thailand. The ceremony began with multimedia presentations to briefly introduce the university and its programs, followed by welcoming speeches given by Prof. Dr. H. Maskuri, M.Si, Rector of Universitas Islam Malang, Indonesia and Asst. Prof. Niwat Keawpradub, Ph.D., President of Prince of Songkla University, Thailand, followed by an introduction of the representatives from both universities. Around 20 representatives attended the virtual signing ceremony including Prof. Dr. H. Yaqub Cikusin, M.Si, General Chairman of UNISMA Foundation, rectors, vice rectors, deans, directors, heads of department; and other representatives from UNISMA; Assoc. Prof. Prathana Kannaovakun, Ph.D., Vice President for Academic Affairs, PSU Phuket Campus; Asst. Prof. Pensiri Akkajit, Ph.D., Assistant President for International Affairs, Phuket Campus, Aj. Jirameth Rungruang, Acting Associate Dean for Administration and International Affairs from FIS; and other representatives from Faculty of International Studies (FIS), PSU Hatyai and PSU Phuket Campus. Both universities signed the MOU and MOA virtually and ended the ceremony with a commemorative photo-taking to celebrate the monumental event.



JULY 6 – 8 : SAWASDEE THAILAND SUMMER PROGRAM 2022

On July 6th – 8th, 2022 PSU Phuket co-hosted this batch of **Sawasdee Thailand Summer Program 2022** with Mahidol University, organized an orientation to warmly welcome a group of Thai & international staff and students from Mahidol University, including students from Cambodia, Hong Kong, Hungary, Malaysia and Taiwan at Ket-Ho Meeting Room, 5th floor of the President's Office Building, (Bldg. 7). Around 30 people attended the 3-day program including Thai student ambassadors and IAC staff. The programs consisted of picking up the students at Phuket International Airport, visiting popular tourist destinations in Phuket, enjoying the sustainable marine farm (Intara farm) at Coconut Island; learning about pearl production, kayaking, CSR activity cleaning the beach and making tie-dyed fabrics from natural colors. In addition, the students had a chance to do snorkeling, exploring the marine life under water at Yanui beach, and visiting Phuket Museum (Paranakan) in Phuket town, learning about Phuket history and exhibitions, visiting famous café and restaurant (92 house) in Phuket town; doing dress up with Phuket traditional costumes, cooking local food and dessert workshop. Moreover, this summer program provided a valuable opportunity not only for the international student participants to learn about Thailand and Thai cultures, especially Phuket culture but also for us to learn more about their cultures as well. The students enjoyed the moments and had a great time here in Phuket.



AUGUST 10: ANNUAL ORIENTATION FOR NEW INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AND THE HUB GRAND OPENING

On August 10th, 2022 IAC hosted the **Annual Orientation** at the Hub, International Club, International Services Center Building (Bldg.10) to warmly welcome new international students for academic year 2022. Around 40 people attended this orientation program. The program began with welcome message videos from Assoc. Prof. Pun Thongchumnum, Ph.D., Vice President for PSU Phuket Campus; and Assoc. Prof. Prathana Kannaovakun, Ph.D., Vice President for Academic Affairs, PSU Phuket Campus; followed by videos from a representative from each faculty. During the orientation, all attendees also took part in **The grand opening of the Hub** to mark the official opening of the room. IAC staff members and a representative from the Student Development and Alumni Relations gave a presentation about general information of the university, safety and cultural tips, health and accident insurance, immigration-related matters, student activity hours, shuttle bus service, and upcoming activities. At the end of the presentation, a Q&A session was held with prize giveaways. Additionally, IAC also organized a buddy program to pair up the new international students and Thai medical students. The orientation program concluded with a short campus tour.



AUGUST 16: DELEGATES FROM YOKOHAMA CITY UNIVERSITY, JAPAN VISITED PSU PHUKET

On August 16th, 2022 Assoc. Prof. Takayuki Takahashi, Graduate School of International Management and a group of 4 students from Yokohama City University (YCU), Japan, visited PSU Phuket. The delegates were warmly welcomed by Asst. Prof. Pensiri Akkajit, Ph.D., Assistant President for International Affairs, Phuket Campus, faculty representatives, and more than a hundred Thai and international students. During the program, IAC played an introductory video about PSU Phuket and a day on campus. For the main event, the 4 YCU students gave a presentation about YCU, Yokohama, and the students' research on tax accounting titled, "Impact of Tax Reforms on Entertainment Expenses and Other Non-Deductible Expenses" followed by a Q&A session. The program was concluded with a gift exchange and commemorative photo-taking, before going on a short campus tour.



AUGUST 17: IAC EXCURSION TO INTARA FARM AGRO TOURISM & CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

On August 17th, 2022 IAC organized a half-day trip in Phuket visiting Intara Farm Agro Tourism & doing Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activity on Coconut Island. Around 30 students joined this excursion, including Thai medical students, new and current international students, and IAC staff. They were so excited to explore new places of interest by doing various activities including: enjoying fresh seafood lunch, learning about the farm's history, learning about how to cultivate pearls, kayaking along the mangroves, cleaning the beach, feeding the fish, making natural tie-dyed fabric, releasing marine animals, and enjoying some traditional Thai desserts. Although it was raining heavily in the morning, we were very lucky to have a sunny day (and a brief rain) during the excursion. We hope the students learned some new knowledge, had lots of fun, and created unforgettable memories from this trip.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION & UPCOMING HOLIDAYS

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES, NEWS, VIRTUAL CONFERENCE, SCHOLARSHIP, ETC.



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90 DAY REPORT ONLINE!

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

IMPORTANT: please remember to check your passport to see when you must **DO** your 90 day report EITHER ONLINE (15 days before due date) or at the Immigration Office in Phuket Town.

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Day	Wednesday		Sunday			
	Pick Up	Drop Off	Round 1	Pick Up	Drop Off	Pick Up
Pick Up at Canteen	17:30		11:00		17:00	
Drop Off		20:00	Drop Off	Pick Up	Drop Off	Pick Up
+ Central Festival	17:15	20:00	11:15	15:00	17:15	20:30
+ Big C	17:20	20:10	11:20	15:10		
+ Tesco Lotus	17:30	20:30	11:30	15:30		
+ New: Thalang Road Walking Street Market (Lard Yai)				17:40	20:00**	
Drop Off at Canteen		21:00		16:00		21:00

Notes: **Wait in front of Shell Petrol Station, at the temple.
Remarks: 1. This service is free of charge for all PSU Phuket students and staff.
2. Be sure to arrive at the pick-up points at least 5 minutes before the stated time.
3. Note the drivers name and phone number.



Shuttle Bus Service Schedule for PSU Phuket Staff & Student

PRINCE OF SONGKHA UNIVERSITY
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT HANDBOOK
Updated: December 2021



Princess of Songkhla University Announcement
Subject: Academic calendar for undergraduate students.
Phuket campus, academic year 2022

Statements	1 st Semester	2 nd Semester	Summer Semester
Publication payment	15 July 2022, onwards	12 December 2022, onwards	8 May 2023, onwards
Registration period via the website	1 August 2022	26 December 2022	
1 st year students and others	2 August 2022	21 October 2022	
2 nd year students (20 classes)			
3 rd year students (20 classes)			
4 th year students (20 classes)			
Students who do not register for August 16, 2022, have to pay a fine of 500 Baht	16-18 November 2022	16-18 December 2022	16-18 May 2023
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Registration of semester	8 August 2022	7 January 2023	22 May 2023

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