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| Office of International Affairs's  | http://inter.tu.ac.th/   |  |
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| General information about the university (Location/ Number of students etc.) | Thammasat University, the second oldest university in Thailand, was established in 1934. There are 27 faculties which offer more than 290 academic programs (117 are undergraduate while the others are graduate level). Presently, there are around 38,657 students. 80% of them are undergraduate students.  |  |
| University features  | Thammasat University (TU) is known for its involvement in Thai history, especially the change in politics in 1932. TU plays an important role in Thai politics and history and has the philosophy to be the University of Moral for people. Five former prime ministers were Thammasat's graduates. Through times, Thammasat University has grown dramatically in superb quality of learning environment, graduates, and research, but the philosophy still remains. Thammasat University continues to expand its first-class research and education services in   |  |

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|                                      | international level. Partnership and International network are few of the tasks that Thammasat University is paying close attentions. Thammasat University, one of the top research universities in Thailand, is aiming its position to be the education hub of Southeast Asia.   |
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| Short description of the city – area | Bangkok is one of the top10 best cities to visit in the world. Tha Prachan is located in a historical area of Bangkok, next to the national museum, 5 minute walking to the Grand Palace. Presently, there are 4 campuses (Tha Prachan / Rangsit / Pattaya / Lampang). Rangsit Center is located in Pathumthani Province. It's the biggest campus in region. All undergraduate programs have been moved to Rangsit Center since 2006 except international programs. It is home of Sciences and Technology programs. |

# **Academic Information**

| Language of Instruction and the percentage of classes in English | Thai and English (260 academic programs) 32% of them are international programs.  |                |                   |           |
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| Grading system   | Marks   | Interpretation | Grade Equivalents | Gp/Cr.hr. |
|  | 85-100  | Excellent      | A                 | 4.0       |
|  | 75-84   | Very Good      | B+                | 3.5       |
|  | 70-74   | Good           | В                 | 3.0       |
|  | 65-69   | Almost Good    | C+                | 2.5       |
|  | 60-64   | Fair           | С                 | 2.0       |
|  | 50-59   | Almost Fair    | D+                | 1.5       |
|  | 40-49   | Poor           | D                 | 1.0       |
|  | 0-39  | Failed         | F                 | 0         |
| Credit System  | Credits accumulated at TU can be transferable to student's home university as part of the requirements for the graduation. However, it is a responsibility of individual students to check the subject's equivalencies with their home university.  An official academic transcript will be sent to the International Office of the Student's home institution by OIA approximately 8-12 weeks after the end of the final examination. OIA will mail the students' transcripts by post directly to student's home universities. |                |                   |           |
| Course Registration Condition                                    | Courses taken must be of the same level of study or lower than the current level of study in home university. Exchange students are not allowed to take a course higher than the level of their study in home university.   |                |                   |           |
| Level of Studies for exchange                                    | We accept both Undergraduate and Graduate students.   |                |                   |           |
| Duration of Exchange Program                                     | An exchange student is permitted to spend the exchange period at Thammasat University not more than 2 semesters as specified in the university bilateral agreement.   |                |                   |           |
| GPA Requirement  | The standard GPA requirement is 3.0 out of 4 scales. However, in certain situations, many programs are flexible in considering accepting students with lower GPA than 3.0. Please contact an interested faculty for further information and GPA requirement.  |                |                   |           |

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| Service Available    | Student ID card and Internet Access An international student identification card will be given by the faculty's coordinator about 2 weeks after the completion of subject's registration along with the Internet access. Wi-Fi internet access is available without the extra charge for all students.  Library Students can access the library with the eligibility of borrowing books and printing 200 papers (up to 200 Baht/Semester). Information on the TU Library can be obtained at <a href="http://library.tu.ac.th/">http://library.tu.ac.th/</a> .  Recreational Facilities Facilities as well as the Sports and Recreational facilities are also available in the campus. Some may be charged but on the student rate. A student is recommended to carry the student ID card when requesting the use of services.  Bus Services Tha Prachan campus There is mini-bus operated between Tha Prachan to Rangsit center. It costs 40 Baht (one round) and leaves every hour. Mini-bus will operate from 6.00 am - 6.00 pm. No operation on Sunday. During the university's break, the service still available but less frequency. The mini-bus station is near the front gate opposite Sanam Luang Field.  Rangsit campus  Krung Thai Bank is located in the campus.  Krung Thai Bank is located in the campus.  Krung Thai Bank is located in the campus.  Krung Thai, SCB, Krung Thep, TMB are located next to the campus.  Kasikorn Bank is located in Asean Institute of Technology.  Health Services Tha Prachan campus  During the working hours, The university offers health care services to all students for general medical treatments. It is free. Students are required to present their student's ID cards. The health care services center is located on 5th floor at the student's activity building. Along Tha Pra Chan area, there are 2 nearest hospital as follows.  Sirriar Hospital  Chao Praya Hospital  Rangsit campus  Similar to Tha Prachan campus, however, due to the larger area, Rangsit campus has 2 medical care centers. One is located in the 1st floor, Dome building while second |
| Academic calendar    | SM 1 : August – December   |
| (Start and end date) | SM 2 : January – May   |
| Application deadline | Semester 1: by 20 May<br>Semester 2: by 20 September   |

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| <u>Please note a late application may be considered if the notification with an explanation is provided.</u> |
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# **Application Procedure**

| Areas of study available for exchange students  Course Offering  How to apply | Exchange students are welcome to enroll in most faculties but to be accepted will depend on the discretion of an individual faculty.  *Please note as certain programs offer limited spaces and are competitive, an exchange student must be flexible in enrolling in alternative courses.  *As presented in each Faculty/Program website or in the attachment.  The online application can be found from <a href="www.inter.tu.ac.th">www.inter.tu.ac.th</a> If you face a difficulty in downloading Thammasat exchange application or obtain necessary information, please feel free to contact the division of mobility at <a href="inter-mobility@tu.ac.th">inter-mobility@tu.ac.th</a> or contact OIA coordinator.  The application contains important dates and deadlines which are subject to change.   |
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| Requirements  | The qualified international students are invited to apply for TU exchange program by being nominated through partner universities. The eligibility requirements are:  1. Enrolled as a degree student in home university  2. Have completed at least one academic year of study in home university  3. Nominated by home university (an official coordinator's email address from a home university is required)  4. Have good academic standing with GPA not less than 3.0 (out of 4 scale) or equivalent. If lower, please discuss with OIA  5. Command good English proficiency. It is important to know that each faculty/program has different criteria of TOEFL and IELTS, please see the attached criteria sheet for more details)  6. Exchange students must enroll at least 3 courses (equivalent to 9 credits) in one discipline at Thammasat university in order to be recognized as the major and must remain in these three courses throughout their study period at Thammasat university. The maximum credits exchange students are allowed to enroll are 18 |
| Application material  Website   | credits (counting from credits gained through the major and crossing disciplines)  - Nomination letter from the University - Completed application form - Transcript - Recommendation letter - TOEFL/IELTS score sheet - A copy of passport - 4 photos (1.5 – 2.0 inch)  Please visit our website at www.inter.tu.ac.th  |

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# Arrival/Orientation Program

| Recommended arrival date                                    | ТВА   |
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| How to travel to Thammasat<br>University from the airports. | Due to the university's location closed to the center of Bangkok (Tha Pra Chan) and well-known suburb area (Rangsit), students can travel from Suvarnnabhumi or Don Maung airport to the university easily by other means of transportation such bus, airport link railway, hotel limousine and Taxi. |
|   | <b>Taxi:</b> Students with lots of luggage are advised to take a taxi direct from the airport to the campus. A taxi fee only paid by cash (Thai Baht). The university has 2 campuses so students should clearly tell the driver which campus you are heading to (Tha Pra Chan or Rangsit).            |
| Is Orientation program available                            | The Orientation Program will normally be held a week before the commencement of each semester.  |

# Medical Insurance

| Insurance | Students are required to purchase a medical insurance plan from their |  |
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|           | home country which covers the following benefit:                      |  |
|           | 1. Health and Accident  |  |
|           | 2. Permanent and Partial Disability                                   |  |
|           | 3. Repatriation   |  |
|           | 4. Death  |  |

# Accommodation

| Accommodation            | Office of International Affairs (OIA) does not manage the accommodation reservation: students have to find it and book it <u>by themselves</u> . |  |
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|                          | However, we provide information and a list of accommodations to help students.   |  |
|                          | Tha Prachan  |  |
|                          | http://inter.tu.ac.th/images/InterStudents/Housing-  |  |
|                          | Information/Housing%20List%20Tha%20Prachan.pdf   |  |
|                          | Rangsit http://inter.tu.ac.th/images/InterStudents/Housing- Information/Apartment%20list%20Rangsit.pdf   |  |
|                          | ** Private apartment: the students should contact the private apartment  |  |
|                          | directly as soon as your placement is confirmed  |  |
| Cost estimates per month | 16,000 THB approx.   |  |
| - Housing                | - Housing: 5,500 – 10,000 THB approx.  |  |
| - Meals                  | - Meals : 8,000 THB approx.  |  |
| - transportation, etc.   | - Transportation: 2,500 THB approx.  |  |

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### **VISA Information**

| Immigration Procedure              | Upon receiving the offer letter from the OIA Thammasat, students should make arrangement with the nearest Thai Royal Embassy/Consulate in their home country to obtain a single/multiple entry visa.             |
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| Student VISA Application Procedure | As an international student, you need to have a valid travel documents (passport and entry visa) to enter Thailand.  |
|                                    | International passport must be valid for a minimum of 6 months beyond the expected date of exit from the country.  |
|                                    | A visa must be obtained BEFORE you enter Thailand by self-<br>representation at the visa issuing office. For Immigration clearance, you<br>are required to produce the Immigration approval letter upon arrival. |

# Academic Calendar for Academic Year 2018/2019 (Tentative)

| Semester :  | 1  |  |  |
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| Housing Tour & Uniform Shopping Basic Thai Language Session Orientation day Cultural trip to Grand Palace | August, 2018 (TBA)<br>August, 2018 (TBA)<br>August, 2018 (TBA)<br>August, 2018 (TBA) |  |  |
| Semester starts   | Mid August, 2018   |  |  |
| Mid-Term examination period Final Examination period  | October, 2018<br>December, 2018  |  |  |
| Semester 2  |  |  |  |
| Housing Tour & Uniform Shopping   | January, 2019  |  |  |
| Basic Thai Language Session   | January, 2019  |  |  |
| Orientation   | January, 2019  |  |  |
| Cultural trip to Grand Palace   | January, 2019  |  |  |
| Semester starts   | January, 2019  |  |  |
| University closed for Songkran Festival   | April 13 <sup>th</sup> – April 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2019                               |  |  |
| Mid-Term examination period   | March, 2019  |  |  |
| Final Examination period  | May -June, 2019  |  |  |

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