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General information about the	Thammasat University, the second oldest university in Thailand, was
university	established in 1934. There are 27 faculties which offer more than 290
(Location/ Number of students etc.)	academic programs (117 are undergraduate while others are graduate
	level). Presently, there are around 36,184 students. 80% of them are
	undergraduate students.
University features	Thammasat University is the second oldest university in Thailand. TU
	is known for its involvement of Thai history, especially the change in politics in 1932. TU plays 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 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 centered in the Southeast Asia.

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Short description of the city – area	Bangkok is 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. 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.
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#### Thai and English (260 academic programs) Language of Instruction and the percentage of classes in English 32% of them are international programs. Grading system Marks Interpretation Grade Equivalents Gp/Cr.hr. 85-100 Excellent 4.0 Α 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 Ω **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. All students at undergraduate level must enroll at least 9 credit (3 subjects) offered by the same faculty in order to be acknowledged as the major and not more than 21 credit per semester (across the faculties with 9 credits at least from the same faculty). Please note to be successful in the course enrollment is subject to availability of courses and university approval. 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. We accept both Undergraduate and graduate students. Level of Studies for exchange **Duration of Exchange Program** 1. 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. 2. 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. 3. The students are recommended to select at least 3 subjects in one faculty to be their majoring study at TU. **GPA Requirement** The standard GPA requirement is 3.0 out of 4 scales. However, some programs are flexible in considering accepting students with lower GPA. Please contact an interested faculty for further information.

### Academic Information

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Service Available	Student ID card and Internet Access
	<b>Student ID card and Internet Access</b> 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. <b>Library</b> 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 http://library.tu.ac.th/.
	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.
	<b>Bus Services</b> <i>Tha Prachan campus</i> There is mini-bus operated between Tha Prachan to Rangsit center. It costs 40 Baht (one round) and leaves every 20-30 minutes. 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. <i>Rangsit campus</i> A shuttle bus is freely available around the campus for all students.
	<b>Bank</b> <i>Tha Prachan campus</i> Krung Thai Bank is located in the campus. Krung Thep Bank, Kasikorn, SCB, TMB are located next to the campus. <i>Rangsit campus</i> Krung Thai, SCB, Krung Thep, TMB are located in the campus. Kasikorn Bank is located in Asean Institute of Technology.
	<ul> <li>Health Services</li> <li><i>Tha Prachan campus</i></li> <li>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 under the student's activity building. Along Tha Pra Chan area, there are 2 nearest hospital as follows.</li> <li>Siriraj Hospital</li> <li>Chao Praya Hospital</li> </ul>
	<i>Rangsit campus</i> Similar to Tha Prachan campus, however, due to the larger area, Rangsit campus has 2 medical care certers. One is located in the 1st floor, Dome building while second is at SC building. For serious injuries or accident, the patient will be transferred to Thammasat university hospital. Thammasat Hospital.
	Please note all Thammasat university also provides an insurance covering all the accident valued 20,000 bath per 1 academic year. However, it is strongly recommended an international student must hold by themselves an insurance to cover all medical and accident cost.
	<b>Bookshop</b> Thammasat university operates TU bookstore where local, international books and souvenirs are offered.

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Academic calendar	SM 1 : August – December
(Start and end date)	SM 2 : January – May
Application deadline	Semester 1: by 20 May 2017 Semester 2: by 20 Sep 2017 (Tentative) Please note a late application may be considered if the notification with an explanation is provided.

# Application Procedure

Areas of study available for exchange students Course Offering	All programs except summer programs.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.
How to apply	The online application can be found from <u>www.inter.tu.ac.th</u> If you face a difficulty in downloading Thammasat exchange application or obtain necessary information, please feel free to contact the division of mobility at <u>inter-mobility@tu.ac.th</u> or contact OIA coordinator. <i>The application contains important dates and deadlines which are subject</i> <i>to change.</i>
Requirements	<ul> <li>The qualified international students are invited to apply for TU exchange program by being nominated through partner universities. The eligibility requirements are: <ol> <li>Enrolled as a degree student in home university;</li> <li>Have completed at least one academic year of study in home university;</li> <li>Nominated by home university (an official coordinator's email address from a home university is required);</li> <li>Have good academic standing with GPA not less than 3.0 (out of 4 scale) or equivalent. If lower, please discuss with OIA</li> <li>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)</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
Application material	<ul> <li>Nomination letter from the University</li> <li>Completed application form</li> <li>Transcript</li> <li>Recommendation letter</li> <li>TOEFL/IELTS score sheet</li> <li>A copy of passport</li> <li>4 photos (1.5 – 2.0 inch)</li> </ul>
Website	Please visit our website at www.inter.tu.ac.th

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# Arrival/Orientation Program

Recommended arrival dates	Before the Orientation week
How to travel to Thammasat 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.
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 home country which covers the following benefit:
	1. Health and Accident
	2. Permanent and Partial Disability
	3. Repatriation
	4. Death

# Accommodation

Accommodation	<b>Tha Prachan</b> TU offers the university- operated housing called Ratchadapisek dormitory about 30 minutes driving away. The other nearest private apartments available at an affordable rate or popular among international students are for example 3J Court, Amarin Mansion
	and PK apartment Students are advised to make an early reservation for the accommodation in order to avoid disappointment.
	<b>Rangsit</b> TU operates the on campus accommodations and offers several room options. Students can also choose to stay off campus on their own. OIA can facilitate and provide further information about living on and off campus. It is advisable to contact OIA at least 1 month before the beginning of each semester or as soon as you are accepted to study at Thammasat University.
Housing assistance (please indicate how to apply)	Post-arrival housing list on website. Housing tours during orientation week (tentative)
Housing application deadline(s)	University dormitory : at least 1 month before semester start Private apartment: the students should contact the private apartment directly as soon as your placement is confirmed
Cost estimates per month - Housing - Meals - transportation, etc.	16,000 THB approx. - Housing: 4,500 – 9,000 THB approx. - Meals : 8,000 THB approx. - Transportation : 2,000 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.
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- representation at the visa issuing office. For Immigration clearance, you are required to produce the Immigration approval letter upon arrival.

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