



**Institute of Human Rights  
and Peace Studies**  
Mahidol University



## Call for applicants 2019: PhD scholarships for Myanmar students

**Deadline 28th February 2019**

The **Institute of Human Rights and Peace Studies (IHRP), Mahidol University, Thailand** and the **DIGNITY, Denmark** invite qualified applications for two PhD scholarships for Myanmar students within the field of human rights and detention (August 2019-22).

The scholarships are an integral part of the *Legacies of Detention in Myanmar* research project (2016-22) funded by the Danish Foreign Ministry's 'Consultative Research Committee for Development Research'.

The student will be enrolled in the Ph.D. Program in Human Rights and Peace Studies at Mahidol's IHRP. The scholarship grant covers university fees, coursework fees, fieldwork expenses, and living allowance.

The successful applicant must identify a topic of research that fits within the overall theme of the *Legacies of Detention* project. This project aims to generate field-based knowledge about the history and consequences of detention practices and to explore how the contemporary penal system responds to current political developments. For more information see <https://legacies-of-detention.org/>

Thesis proposals are welcome within the following areas:

- Imprisonment and human rights
- Justice and security sector reform during times of transition
- Penal politics, culture and history
- Notions of political imprisonment
- Women, juveniles, minorities and vulnerable groups in prison

Candidates must fulfil the criteria of IHRP for PhD students with emphasis on the following criteria:

(1) Graduated with a Master's degree in any major from a recognized university. The following majors are likely to be highly relevant: sociology, anthropology, psychology, development studies, law, public health or history.

(2) Have a grade point average of at least 3.00

(3) Have a clearly defined and complete thesis plan, within the areas mentioned above, which is accepted as suitable to the Ph.D. level by the committee of the Ph.D. Program.

(4). Have English language proficiency, with a TOEFL score of no less than 550 or an IELTS of at least 6.0, or pass the English Proficiency Test arranged by the Faculty of Graduate Studies at Mahidol University

(5) Exceptions from the above requirements may be made by the program Committee.

Applicants should also be able to demonstrate:

- Excellent written and spoken English
- Desire to be part of an international research programme
- Dedication, drive and integrity
- Experience conducting sensitive research
- Political sensitivity
- IT skills

### **Required documents**

1) Application form (online application form)

2) Personal Statement

3) Research Statement

4) Academic transcript(s) MA and Academic Certificate(s) MA

5) English Language Test Certificate(s)

6) Curriculum Vitae

7) Internationally recognized journal(s) /publication(s) (required for PhD by Research Only Plan)

8) Reference(s) form (at least 2 academic references and 1 professional reference)

See more at <http://www.ihrp.mahidol.ac.th/index.php/en/academic-admissions/requirements>

### **How to apply**

Please submit your application online by **28th February 2019** to:

[http://www.grad.mahidol.ac.th/Admission/online/admission2018\\_EN/login.php](http://www.grad.mahidol.ac.th/Admission/online/admission2018_EN/login.php)

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