

# Junior Research Scholarship Program (JRS)



For university lecturers and recipients of the Royal Golden Jubilee under the Thailand Research Fund (TRF) undertaking doctoral programs in Thai universities to undertake part of their dissertation research in the U.S. – 6 months

## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The program aims to develop the capabilities of doctoral candidates studying at Thai universities, particularly the university staff members, to conduct their research in the U.S. for six (6) months as a part of their doctoral dissertation requirements while building their professional network through contacts with American professors and scholars.

Up to five (5) grants are available annually, three (3) of which are for the Royal Golden Jubilee's doctoral students, funded by the Thailand Research Fund (TRF) and two for general doctoral students.

The grant covers round-trip international travel expenses from Thailand to the United States, monthly stipend for six (6) months, health insurance coverage, and in-transit allowance. The Foundation will also provide preliminary and pre-departure orientations for the grantees while facilitating visa process and other relevant procedures.

## DEGREE

Non-degree

## FIELD OF STUDY

All fields are eligible except for medicine, dentistry, and nursing. Public health and allied subjects with no clinical practices are eligible.

## **NO. OF GRANTS**

Up to 2 grants for general doctoral students and up to 3 grants for doctoral students under the Royal Golden Jubilee

## **PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT**

Mid-June to mid-October

## **ELIGIBILITY**

1. Be a Thai citizen in good health
2. Be a Ph.D. candidate, who has completed coursework in a Thai university

## **INELIGIBILITY**

1. Hold U.S. immigrant visas or permanent U.S. resident cards (green cards), or dual (Thai and U.S.) citizenships
2. Have had extensive experience in the United States during the previous five (5) years
3. Have held a Fulbright grant within the past five (5) years
4. Have received a J-1 visa within the past two (2) years

## **REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

1. Complete application form
2. Research proposal (3-5 pages)
3. Biographical essay (1-2 pages) that describes your personality traits, passion, goals, and relevance of your work in a narrative writing style
4. Have a valid English proficiency score: TOEFL ITP official score report of at least 525 or TOEFL iBT official score report of at least 71 or CUTEF of at least 75
5. Transcripts of both master and doctoral (current study) degrees
6. CV/Resume
7. Written confirmation (Letter of Invitation) from your host university/institution in the U.S.
8. Two (2) letters of recommendation. These can be obtained from your supervisors or employers in Thailand, or your host professors/supervisors in the U.S. If submitting hard copies, the letters must be sealed and signed by the recommenders, and included in the packet of your application. If submitting online, the recommenders must e-mail them directly to [tusef@fulbrightthai.org](mailto:tusef@fulbrightthai.org)

## **REQUIREMENTS**

1. Be physically present in Bangkok at the time of interview
2. Attend preliminary orientation during mid-February and pre-departure orientation during the second week of June
3. Be willing and able to serve as a recourse person and a cultural ambassador in the United States in seminars, conferences, or in other capacities requested by the host institution or community
4. Be prepared to participate in academic and alumni activities related to the program upon return to Thailand

## **CONTACT**

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