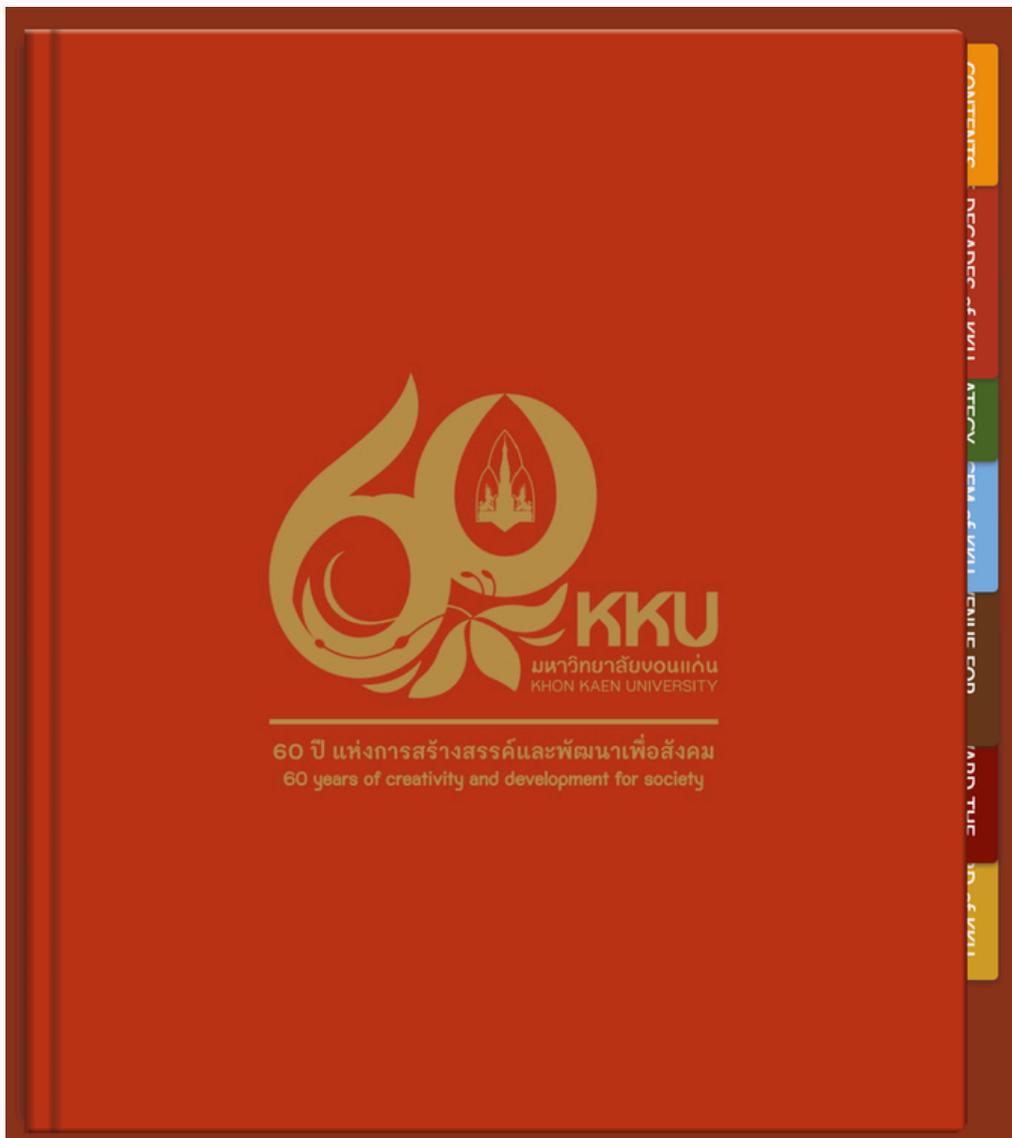




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International Affairs Division, Khon Kaen University holds International Student Orientation ,the First Semester, Academic Year 2025



On June 16, 2025, the International Affairs Division of Khon Kaen University organized the Orientation Program for International Students for the First Semester of the 2025 Academic Year at Sirikunakorn Room 3, 2nd Floor, Sirikunakorn Building. The event was honored by the presence of ssoc. Prof. Nawarat Wara-Aswapati, Vice President for International Affairs and Asst.Prof. Acharawan Topark-Ngarm, Assistant to the President for International Affairs, delivered warm welcome speeches to the incoming international students. The orientation aimed to foster intercultural exchange and build connections among international students from various countries. It also introduced essential services and support units, including the International Affairs Division, the Graduate School, Bureau of academic administration and development, Office of Digital Technology, Khon Kaen University Library (KKULI), and the Sport Division.

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KKU Joins Belt and Road Summit, Seals Dual-Degree Deal with China's Leading University



On June 12, 2025, Chengdu, People's Republic of China – Assoc. Prof. Charnchai Panthongviriyakul, M.D., President of Khon Kaen University (KKU), led a delegation, Asst.Prof.Denpong Soodphakdee, Vice President for Education and Digital, Assoc. Prof.Ratchaphon Suntivarakorn, Dean, Faculty of Engineering, and Assoc.Prof.Komkrit Pitiruek, Associate Dean for Strategic Planning and Organizational Development, Faculty of Engineering to participate in The Second Belt and Road Conference on Science and Technology Exchange (BRST) at the Tianfu International Convention Center, Chengdu, Sichuan Province, hosted by Southwest Jiaotong University (SWJTU). On this occasion, the KKKU President was honored as one of four Keynote Speakers, delivering a presentation on “KKU’s exploration and pioneering of educating (co-educating) engineering talents in the field of transportation (high-speed rail) in Thailand”, highlighting KKKU’s role in developing human resources for Thailand’s rail industry.

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KKU signs MoU with Lunghwa University of Science and Technology for educational collaboration



This collaboration aims to strengthen academic networks, facilitate student exchange, establish dual degree programs, and provide internship training. Following the signing, Assoc. Prof. Chiranuch Sa-Ngiamsak, Assistant to the President for Research and Innovation, KKKU, and Associate Professor Dr. Chung-Lin Huang, Dean, The Office of International and Cross-Strait Cooperation, LKHU, jointly presented the strategic direction of the collaboration and discussed opportunities such as joint curriculum development, dual degree programs, student exchanges in science and engineering, and cooperation in the field of semiconductors. They also introduced a joint academic model, "3+1+2," in which engineering students from KKKU, after completing their bachelor's degree, will have the opportunity to intern at private companies in Taiwan under LKHU's supervision for one year before continuing their master's studies at LKHU.

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Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to Thailand Visits KKU for a Special Lecture on "The Soft Power Between Korea and Thailand" and Korean Culture Caravan 2025 at the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences



On June 30, 2025, Khon Kaen University had the honor of welcoming H.E. Mr. Yongmin Park, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to Thailand, along with representatives from the Embassy of the Republic of Korea, on the occasion of his official visit to the university. The Ambassador and his delegation were warmly welcomed by Asst. Prof. Acharawan Topark-Ngarm, Assistant to the President for International Affairs, together with Assoc. Prof. Dr. Orathai Phiaura, Dean of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, faculty administrators, lecturers, and students from the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.

H.E. Mr. Yongmin Park delivered a special lecture on the topic "The Soft Power Between Korea and Thailand." In addition, the "Korean Culture Caravan 2025" was held at KKU, a collaborative effort between the Korean Cultural Center in Thailand, Khon Kaen University, and the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.

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Khon Kaen University Receives National Outstanding Institution Award for International CWIE Implementation at CWIE Day 2025 in Chiang Mai

Khon Kaen University has been honored with the National Outstanding Institution Award for International Cooperative and Work-Integrated Education (CWIE) for the year 2025. The award was presented during the 15th CWIE Day, held in Chiang Mai Province. Khon Kaen University has adopted a policy to enhance students' global competency by aligning with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through the implementation of Cooperative and Work-Integrated Education (CWIE) at the international level.

The university has designated CWIE as one of its core educational strategies. The journey began with the "ASEAN Cooperative Education Program," which was implemented from fiscal year 2013 until the second semester of 2019, covering 12 cohorts. A total of 1,456 students participated in international cooperative education placements during that period. Since the transformation into International CWIE at the end of 2022 until early 2025, six more cohorts have been organized, involving 395 students placed in international workplaces. Altogether, the university has sent over 1,850 students across 18 cohorts to gain real-world experience in 170 enterprises across 19 countries.

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