

UF Connections in Thailand



Thailand is situated in Southeastern Asia. Its capital city is Bangkok. The US Department of State estimates its total population at 68,200,824. Information about travelling to Thailand is on the [Department of State](#) website. The [Center for Disease Control and Prevention](#) also has useful travel information on their website The Center for Disease Control also has useful travel information on their website.

The University of Florida engages many universities in Thailand through the exchange of faculty and students and collaborative research efforts.

Visiting Students, Scholars & Researchers

During the 2014–2015 academic year, UF hosted 56 Thai students and scholars.

| Visiting Students, Scholars, and Researchers | | | | |
|--|----------|------------|-----|-------------------|
| Undergraduate | Graduate | Non-degree | OPT | Exchange Visitors |
| 5 | 22 | 6 | 4 | 19 |

UF Students in Thailand

During the 2014 –2015 academic year, eight UF students studied in Thailand. The table below contains the reciprocal agreements UF has in Thailand. Reciprocal agreements are the foundation for the exchange programs in which so many UF students are involved. In an exchange program, students pay UF tuition and are assigned UF course equivalencies for the work they do abroad. Reciprocal agreements provide for the equal exchange of students between UF and an international accredited institution. Agreements are typically valid for three years initially and can be renewed through a signed addendum, if both parties agree. For information on establishing a reciprocal agreement in Thailand, visit <http://ufic.ufl.edu/Agreements-RecipProcedures.html>.

| Study Abroad and Reciprocal Agreements | | | |
|--|---|-----------------|----------|
| Academic Unit at UF | Destination Institution or Program Name | Type of program | Location |
| Pharmacy | Burapha University | Exchange | Chonburi |
| Business Administration | Chulalongkorn University | Exchange | Bangkok |

Internships

- [Summer internship through the Education Abroad Network in Chiang Mai](#)

This ten-week summer program is based in Chiang Mai and includes field excursions and immersion with local Thai students. The program includes opportunities for students to participate in a variety of internship opportunities, including education/non-profit work, teaching English as a second language, environmental research and conservation, art, and working with disabled children.

Cooperative Agreements

Cooperative Agreements are broad declarations of intent for the promotion of exchanging faculty and students as well as the exchange of academic and research information. These agreements are generally valid for five years, with the possibility of renewal if both parties agree. The Cooperative Agreements UF has with (country) institutions can be found below, with the full list of agreements available at: <http://ufic.ufl.edu/Agreements.html>.

| Cooperative Agreements | | | |
|--|---|--------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Academic Unit at UF | Institution Name | Focus | Faculty manager |
| Pharmacy | Burapha University-Pharmacy Department | Exchange | William Millard, millard@cop.ufl.edu |
| Public Health and Health Professions | Chulalongkorn University – College of Public Health Sciences | Exchange | Michael Perri, mperri@phhp.ufl.edu |
| Agricultural and Life Sciences - Animal Sciences | Kasetsart University – Department of Animal Sciences | Exchange/ Research | Mauricio Elzo, maelzo@ufl.edu |
| Agricultural and Life Sciences - Family, Youth, and Community Sciences | King Mongkut’s University of Technology – Technology Department | Exchange/ Research | Amy Simone, asim@ufl.edu |
| Medicine | Mahidol University – Faculty of Medicine | Exchange | David Wood, david.wood.ufl.edu |
| Pharmacy | Pharmacy Education Consortium of Thailand(PECT) | Exchange | |

Highlights

- **[Asian Collection at the Harn Museum features Thai art](#)**

The Asian Collection at the Harn Museum contains over 2,000 distinct and beautiful pieces reflecting many Asian cultures, including Thailand. The pieces span the vast breadth of human history, reflecting the varied cultures they are drawn from. All these pieces come together to display the progression of art and history in Asian cultures.

- **[UF's Warrington College of Business Administration in Thailand](#)**

In addition to the exchange program with [Chulalongkorn University](#), the Warrington College of Business Administration has also sent a team of undergraduate students to Thailand to compete in the Thammasat Undergraduate Business Challenge in August 2015. The [UF team placed second](#) in the international competition and was one of only 3 US universities to compete in the challenge.

- **[UF's Colleges of Medicine and Pharmacy in Thailand](#)**

University of Florida students from the Colleges of Medicine and Pharmacy, as well as physicians and administration travel to Thailand in March to live and work in the Thai orphanage "Rescue Mission for Kids." Their efforts are supported by an annual fundraising golf tournament held in November.

- **[US-Thai Consortium for the Development of Pharmacy Education](#)**

UF was one of the initial signatories of an agreement between a consortium of US and Thai universities that aided and developed Thailand's fledgling pharmacy programs. UF faculty and staff from the College of Pharmacy have assisted with the creation of six new schools of pharmacy in Thailand.

- **[UF Department of Animal Sciences collaboration with Kasetsart University](#)**

UF's Department of Animal Sciences (in the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences) and Kasetsart University (KU) conduct many joint programs and research. The cooperative agreement between UF and Kasetsart has allowed for the exchange of two masters and six doctoral at UF, as well as 25 publications, 17 presentations, and visits by faculty and students between the institutions. [Dr. Mauricio Elzo](#) is the academic manager for the cooperative agreement with Kasetsart University and has been involved in several collaborative research projects with Kasetsart and other Thai universities.

Research Projects:

At the time this brief was being developed, there were no funded research projects with an international component involving Argentina.

Key Connections

- **[Asian American Student Union](#)**

Adding information to this brief

If you have or are aware of a project, program, or other activity that UF has in this country that has not been included in this brief, email ogre@ufic.ufl.edu.