



ANNOUNCEMENT

National Institute of Development Administration

Application for Admission

The Doctor of Philosophy Program in English Language Studies and Teaching (International Program)

Class 16, Semester 1, Academic Year 2026 (Round 1 - 2)

The National Institute of Development Administration (NIDA) is accepting applications for admission, both non-scholarship and scholarship applicants, to the Doctor of Philosophy Program in English Language Studies and Teaching (International Program), Class 16, for the 1st semester of the academic year 2026.

1. Qualification of the Applicants

1.1 Non-scholarship applicants

1.1.1 Thai and/or international applicants holding of a Master's Degree in English, Linguistics, Applied Linguistics, TESOL, or other related fields from an accredited institution, with the GPA of 3.25 or higher (for applicants to Ph.D. program Track 1[1.1] and Track 2[2.1]).

1.1.2 Thai and/or international applicants holding of a Bachelor's Degree with first class honors in English, Linguistics, Applied Linguistics, TESOL, or other related fields from an accredited institution (for applicants to M.A. continuing to Ph.D. program Track 2[2.2]).

1.1.3 All applicants, whose native language is not English, must prove sufficient English proficiency by submitting results of either the TOEFL or IELTS (Academic) scores:

- Obtaining a minimum TOEFL/ITP score of 600, or iBT score of 94, or an IELTS (Academic) of 7.0 for Track 1(1.1) applicants
- Obtaining a minimum TOEFL/ITP score of 580, or iBT score of 79 or an IELTS (Academic) of 6.5 for Track 2(2.1) and 2(2.2) applicants

The test must have been taken not more than 2 years prior to the application date.

Note: If applicants submit their TOEFL/ITP scores for admission in academic year 1/2026, the results of the test administered by either NIDA will be considered. The test results (i.e., test scores) must be valid for 2 years after the test date. If applicants do not yet have English proficiency test results, they will be considered for admission as provisional students.

1.2 Scholarship Applicants

1.2.1 Thai and/or international applicants holding a Master's Degree in English, Linguistics, Applied Linguistics, TESOL or other related fields from an accredited institution, with the GPA of 3.25 or higher

1.2.2 Thai and/or international applicants holding of a Bachelor's Degree with first class honors in English, Linguistics, Applied Linguistics, TESOL, or other related fields from an accredited institution (for applicants to M.A. continuing to Ph.D. program Track 2[2.2]).

1.2.3 All applicants, whose native language is not English, must prove sufficient English proficiency by submitting results of either the TOEFL (a minimum TOEFL ITP score of 600, or iBT score of 94) or the IELTS (Academic) a minimum score of 7.0. The test must have been taken not more than 2 years prior to the application date. **NOTE:** If applicants submit their TOEFL/ITP scores, the Institute will only consider the results of the test administered by NIDA.

NIDA provides the following categories of scholarship:

- Category 2: Recipients will be exempted from tuition fee for the maximum period of 3 years.
- Category 3: Recipients will be waived half of the tuition fee for the maximum period of 3 years.

2. Application

Applicants can visit <https://admission.nida.ac.th> and must follow the following instructions :

- 1) Select the menu “**Login**”
- 2) Log in using an email address to receive an OTP (One-Time Password)
- 3) Select the menu “**Apply for Admission**”
- 4) Choose the program
- 5) Fill out profile information.
- 6) Upload all required application documents.
- 7) Submit the application.

8) Pay the application fee of **1,000 Baht** (Payment fee/charge Depends on rate of each payment method /transaction) via the following options:

- Pay at any branches of Bangkok Bank Public Company Limited; or
- Pay at any Counter Service Center (at 7Eleven stores); or
- Pay via Internet/Mobile Banking ; or
- Pay via SWIFT payment

Bank name: Bangkok Bank Public Company

SWIFT Code: BKKBTHBK

Account Name: National Institute of Development Administration

Account Number: 944-0-01341-6

9) Applicants are required to attach evidence of payment to their application documents.

Notes:

- 1) Applicants can check their payment status, examination date, time and venue, as well as the admission results via the main menu at <https://admission.nida.ac.th>, according to the schedule specified in the admission announcement.
- 2) The paid application fee is non-refundable.
- 3) All required application documents must be uploaded only through the online admission system
- 4) The submitted documents will not be returned.
- 5) If applicants are unable to complete the documentation and payment process, the application will be considered invalid and the applicants will not be eligible for any examinations for admission.
- 6) The examination application is complete when the Institute verifies the application documents and payment made within the prescribed time. Applicants can check their application status two days after the payment has been made at <https://admission.nida.ac.th>

- 7) If applicants are unable to complete the documentation and payment process by **February 6, 2026** for the First admission and **June 19, 2026** for the Second admission, the application will be considered invalid and the applicants will not be eligible for any examinations for admission.

3. Required Documents

- 3.1 Completed application form
- 3.2 A statement of purpose written in English
- 3.3 A dissertation proposal written in English (for applicants wishing to select Track 1[1.1])
- 3.4 Two letters of recommendation
- 3.5 Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- 3.6 Two (1 inch) photos taken not more than 6 months prior to the application date
- 3.7 For Thai applicants: a copy of ID card and a copy of household registration
For non-Thai applicants: a copy of passport
- 3.8 A copy of bachelor's and master's degree certificates (one for each)
- 3.9 A copy of bachelor's and master's degree transcripts (one for each)
- 3.10 A copy of proof for a minimum TOEFL or IELTS as specified by NIDA's English language proficiency requirements

Note: Applicants not yet having English proficiency test results will be considered for admission as provisional students, and they must submit the test results within 1 year from the starting date of academic year 1/2026.

Note: Applicants must submit all required documents before the interview date, otherwise, the application will be considered incomplete and will be voided. The student status will be automatically terminated, or subject to NIDA council's discretion.

For applicants who graduated from institutions outside Thailand, the following documents are required:

- 3.11 A Letter of Confirmation on Standard Curriculum for the Master's/Bachelor's Degree, which can be obtained by submitting a request along with a copy of a complete transcript directly to the Bureau of Standards and Evaluation at the Commission on Higher Education in Bangkok, Thailand (Contact the Educational Service Division for more information)
- 3.12 An Official Letter of Certification for their Master's/Bachelor's Degree with their University Council's approval as well as a complete transcript with the specified date of graduation. This can be sent directly to an email address: **applynida-w@nida.ac.th**. Please specify in the email subject "Application for Admission to Doctor of Philosophy Program in English Language Studies and Teaching (International Program)."

NIDA reserves the right to examine documents and eligibility of an applicant at any time. If applicants are later found ineligible for admission after the acceptance has been given, the announcement of acceptance shall be considered null and void.

4. Selection Procedure

- 4.1 Interview (in-person or online)
- 4.2 English written examination
- 4.3 The committee will evaluate applicants based on the following criteria:
 - 1) English proficiency
 - 2) Perspectives, concepts, attitudes and visions relating to English-language studies and teaching
 - 3) Educational and research background, work experience and current job responsibilities
 - 4) Critical and logical thinking
 - 5) Personality
 - 6) Opportunities for career advancement
- 4.4 Selection of applicants is based on the submitted application documents, interviews and English written examination. Any decisions regarding the admission of students are subject to the discretion of the selection committee.

5. Admission Schedule

Activity	First Admission	Second Admission
Application open	Now - February 6, 2026	February 10 - June 19, 2026
Applicants pay for application	Now - February 6, 2026	February 10 - June 19, 2026
Announcement of applicants eligible for the interview	February 12, 2026	June 26, 2026
Date for the interview	February 20, 2026	July 2, 2026
Announcement of the interview result	March 2, 2026	July 8, 2026
Registration for courses	between March 9-12, 2026	between July 17-22, 2026
Registration fees payment	between March 9-13, 2026	between July 17-23, 2026
Commencement date	August 10, 2026	August 10, 2026

6. General Rules for Scholarship Acquisition, Scholarship Suspension and Scholarship Reimbursement

- 6.1 The recipients of Categories 2 and 3 education promotion scholarships must obtain a minimum GPA of 3.30 in each semester. If they receive a GPA below the specified threshold in any semester, they will not be eligible for the scholarship.
- 6.2 Scholarship recipients will no longer be eligible for the scholarship if they are later found requesting to resign or ceasing to be students and are unable to graduate as specified in the regulations of NIDA on graduate studies, and all scholarship funds received must be returned to the institution.
- 6.3 In the event that the scholarship recipient has to re-register for a particular course, he or she will not be exempted from the tuition fees in the re-enrolled course.
- 6.4 The scholarship recipient must work for the faculty or the institute for at least 6 hours per week.
- 6.5 The recipient of this scholarship does not have the right to apply for any other grant from the institution except for thesis publication from the National Budget.

NOTE: Scholarship recipients must follow the regulations of the Announcement of the National Institute of Development Administration on qualifications, criteria and conditions for education promotion scholarships.

7. Further Inquiries

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8. Personal Data Protection

According to Personal Data Protection Act, B.E. 2562 (2019), the Institute shall have the right to collect, use and/or disclose personal data of the selected applicants for the purpose of educational implementation in accordance with duty and authority of the Institute along with personal data protection.

** Cautions for All Applicants **

The applicants must ensure they meet all the requirements announced by NIDA. Should the Institute find any applicant not meeting the requirements, that applicant will be disqualified and not eligible for consideration. Any payments previously made are non-refundable under any circumstances. In case the admission results are already announced, the application of the successful applicants who do not meet the requirements or misleading documentation will be nullified. Any fees paid are non-refundable.

Depending on the number of enrolees, the Institute reserves the rights not to offer any of the programs of study as specified in the curriculums in any given semester but may resume the program in a subsequent semester.

The Institute reserves the right to make adjustments relating to the admission schedules without prior notice.

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