

Bangkok, Thailand - Mahidol University Exchange

IAP Academic Notes

Please refer to your IAP Study Abroad Handbook for a complete list of UW policies. These academic notes supply additional information specific to your program.

Mahidol University International College (MUIC), within Mahidol University, provides information online for you to review to prepare for your time abroad.

- [Incoming Student Website](#)
- [MUIC Exchange Handbook](#)

MUIC offers a number of programs in English. Course descriptions and syllabi for MUIC academic programs can be found [online](#) within the respective departments.

School Uniforms

School uniforms are required at Mahidol University. [Learn more about the required uniform.](#)

The university logo pins and belt buckles are available once on-site. You can easily buy the shirts and pants/skirts near the University for a reasonable price. Although UW students are not used to wearing school uniforms, it is beneficial for you to wear them early in the semester in Thailand. Local residents will likely behave differently toward you because they will recognize you as local university student rather than just another tourist. If you prefer, you can choose to bring some or all of the generic articles with you rather than buying them once you are onsite.

Registration

IAP will register you for a special “Study Abroad Course” for the term(s) you will be studying abroad; therefore, it is not necessary for you to register on the UW-Madison campus. This is a temporary registration that keeps you continuously enrolled at UW-Madison and will be converted into graded UW-Madison credit after the completion of your program.

You will register for your courses through Mahidol prior to your departure.

Equivalents and Course Equivalent Request (CER)

Each course you take abroad must be assigned a UW-Madison “equivalent” and the grade you receive in the course also transfers back to be recorded on your UW-Madison transcript. In order to establish UW-Madison course equivalents for your study abroad courses, you will submit a Course Equivalent Request (CER) through your My Study Abroad account. The deadline to submit the CER is by the end of the fourth week of classes (not including pre-session terms). Detailed information on the UW course equivalent process that you will use through your My Study Abroad account is available in the IAP Study Abroad Handbook and in your My Study Abroad account under the academics tab.

Please note that every course you take abroad must be awarded an equivalent UW course. There are no exceptions. It is important to start the equivalent process as soon as possible to avoid any delay in posting your study abroad courses to your UW Madison transcript.

Limits and Load

Students are expected to enroll in a full-time academic program, which means bringing back 12-18 UW credits for each semester (fall/spring) you are abroad. Full-time trimester enrollment at Mahidol is 12-16 Mahidol credits. See credit scale below. The UW enrollment requirement on this program depends on the length of your program at Mahidol since they run on a trimester schedule.

Trimester 1+2+3 (UW Academic Year)

You are free to choose anywhere within the range of 12-16 credits for each trimester at Mahidol as long as you are bringing back to UW-Madison 12-18 UW credits per UW semester (fall/spring). Your Mahidol courses and grades will be split up across fall/spring terms on your UW Record.

Trimester 1 or Trimester 2 (UW Fall or UW Spring)

If you are at Mahidol for a single trimester, be sure to enroll in courses that will convert to at least 12-18 UW credits. These are shorter trimesters than a semester at UW, so you will be fitting in your coursework in a shortened amount of time.

Trimester 2+3 (UW Spring)

You are free to choose within the range of credits for each trimester as long as you are bringing back to UW-Madison a combined 12-18 UW credits. Your credits will all be posted to your UW Spring semester, so there is a cap on 18 credits as the most you can apply to a single UW term. This cap is determined by the Office of the Registrar at UW-Madison. For these combined trimesters your time abroad will cover spring and most of the summer.

Note that exchange students cannot enroll in Nursing Science Program courses, research project courses (in science fields), and internships. Additionally, not all courses listed in the course catalog are offered every term, and exchange students may need the approval from program directors to register for classes that require prerequisite courses.

Credits

IAP has established the following scale for translating credits from Mahidol University to UW-Madison:

Mahidol Credit	UW-Madison Credit
4	3
2	2
1	1

Grades and Grade Conversions

The grading conversion scale from Mahidol University to UW-Madison is the following:

Mahidol	UW-Madison
A	A
B+	AB
B	B
C+	BC
C	C
D+	D
D	D
F	F