



GSPA

Graduate School of Public Administration
National Institute of Development Administration





● Dean's Message

I am delighted to extend to you a very warm welcome to the Graduate School of Public Administration (GSPA), National Institute of Development Administration (NIDA). GSPA is recognized as the oldest and largest graduate school of Public Administration in Thailand.

As we move into the second decade of the new millennium, GSPA enters into its 55th year of offering graduate education of the highest quality in public administration and management. We are committed to producing high quality leaders for the public, private, and non-profit sectors. Our school has over 23,000 alumni from seven locations in Bangkok, Phitsanulok, Nakhon Ratchasima, Udon Thani, Chon Buri, Surat Thani, and Songkhla provinces. Many of our alumni occupy top positions in the government and private organizations across Thailand.

GSPA offers both Master's and Ph.D. programs. For the Master's program, we have regular and executive programs in Public Administration (MPA) as well as in Public and Private Management (MPPM). Our Master's programs confer professionally relevant academic degrees, and the curriculum provides a strong foundation in both theory and practice in public and private management.

In addition to the Master's programs, GSPA offers a Ph.D. Program in Development Administration and a Doctoral Program in Public Administration that provide advanced and rigorous studies in public administration. Thanks to NIDA's and the School's scholarship programs, a third of the students in the Ph.D. Program in Development Administration now consist of international students from various countries, such as Australia, China, Ghana, India, Laos, Lesotho, Malawi, Mongolia, Myanmar, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and Vietnam. GSPA has student and faculty exchange programs with its partner universities in countries across the Asia-Pacific and the United States. We wish to learn and share knowledge with other related schools in other countries in order to serve as a hub of management education in the Asia-Pacific region.

Behind our success is our highly qualified and dedicated academic staff whose performance in teaching, research, and academic services is consistently regarded as excellent. We value quality education and will commit our best knowledge to serving that purpose. Come and join us to shape the future of Public Administration.

Tippawan Lorsuwannarat, Ph.D.

Dean

Associate Professor

Graduate School of Public Administration

National Institute of Development Administration



● GSPA Administrators



Tippawan Lorsuwannarat

Dean

Ph.D. (Administrative Studies)

York University

Expertise: Organization; Management information systems



Kasemsarn Chotchakornpant

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

Ph.D. (Public Policy Analysis and Administration)

Saint Louis University

Expertise: Criminal justice



Chandra-nuj Mahakanjana

Associate Dean for Planning and Development

Ph.D. (Political Science)

Northern Illinois University

Expertise: Local government and decentralization; Organization theory



Achakorn Wongpreedee

Associate Dean for Administration

Ph.D. (Political Science), Chulalongkorn University

Ph.D. (Area Studies), Kyoto University

Expertise: Local public finance

● Vision / Mission

Vision Statement

Management Excellence Hub in Asia Pacific

Mission Statement

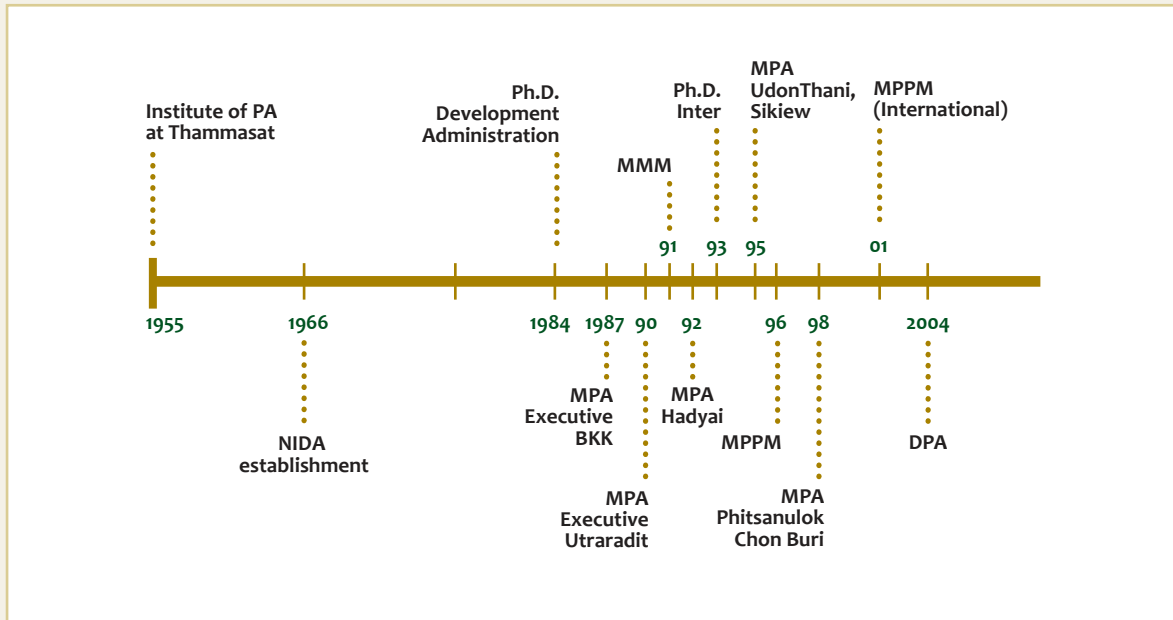
In order to achieve its vision, the Graduate School of Public Administration must do the following:

- Produce graduates at the master's and doctoral degree level able to:
 - Act as change agents, creating ethically-based, effective organizations
 - Integrate and apply multidisciplinary approaches to improving management systems
 - Analyze problems from a holistic perspective
- Undertake research and contribute to the development of new theories and concepts in the field of management in order to solve societal problems



● A Brief History

Development of GSPA, NIDA



The Graduate School of Public Administration (GSPA) began as the Institute of Public Administration (IPA) of Thammasat University in 1955 as a result of international cooperation between the Royal Thai Government and the United States government, with Indiana University as the project manager. Early development of the IPA's master degree of public administration program was supported by Indiana University, which took part in academic activities such as curriculum development, staff development scholarships, and teaching, research, and training.

In 1966, the Institute of Public Administration (IPA) was transferred from Thammasat University to the newly-established National Institute of Development Administration and, since then, has become the Graduate School of Public Administration. The GSPA-NIDA has played a major role in professional development, aimed at satisfying the middle level human resource requirements of both the public and private sectors in pursuit of national development goals.

Over the years the Graduate School of Public Administration has expanded to respond in innovative way to the growing demand for expertise in development administration in Thailand and the region. New education programs, such as the provincial degree programs and the Mini Master of Management Program, a short-term executive training course, have been added. With international cooperation as a key priority, the school has offered an international Ph.D. Program in Development Administration since 1993, which is conducted in English and is available to international and Thai students. The School commands an international reputation as the preeminent school in the field of public administration in Thailand.



Academic Programs



Programs of Study

Master of Public Administration (MPA)

- MPA (Regular)
- MPA (Executive)

Master of Public and Private Management (MPPM)

- MPPM (Regular)
- MPPM (Executive)

Doctor of Philosophy in Development Administration (Ph.D.)

Doctor of Public Administration (DPA)





MPA

Master of Public Administration (MPA Regular Program) Master of Public Administration (MPA Executive Program)

The Master of Public Administration (MPA) program has been designed to provide current and future professionals in the public and private sectors with enhanced opportunities for advanced learning. The program provides knowledge in the most recent theories, concepts, innovations, and practices in management. Participation in the program enables students to improve their managerial and conceptual skills and analytical abilities in order to solve administrative problems and to become effective and efficient executives.

The program is offered as a Regular Program and as an Executive Program. Students in the Regular Program study as full-time students and attend classes in the daytime (choosing their major areas of specialization). Students in the Executive Program attend class in the evenings and weekends (majoring in Management for executives). The program is offered in Thai.



The Curriculum

The program comprises the following curriculum:

Core courses:

Public Management
Thai Social and Political Systems
Research Methodology (I)
Thai Economic Systems
Modern Organizations
Human Capital Management
Financial and Fiscal Management
Public Policy, Planning and Strategic Management
Nonprofit Sector Management
Research Methodology (II)

Tuition Fee

MPA Regular Program	70,900 Baht
MPA Executive Program	145,000 Baht**

(** includes the tuition fee, textbooks, library facilities, computer lab, and study visit)

9 major areas of specialization

- 1) Organization and Management
- 2) Human Capital Management
- 3) Financial and Fiscal Management
- 4) Public Policy and Strategic Management
- 5) Local Government
- 6) Criminal Justice Administration
- 7) Nonprofit Organization Management
- 8) Urban Administration
- 9) Management for Executives

MPPM



Master of Public and Private Management (MPPM Regular Program) Master of Public and Private Management (MPPM Executive Program)



The Master of Public and Private Management (MPPM) degree program has been designed to produce graduate students with analytical skills and knowledge of the public and private sectors.

Students will learn to apply theory to practice, and they will gain a deeper understanding of the cooperation between the public and private sectors and the role of knowledge-based society and sustainable development in Thailand's future. In the course of the program, students will acquire new knowledge of management and the capabilities to foster good governance, organizational development, and sustainable cooperation between the private and public sectors.

The degree program is intended for individuals that hold a bachelor's degree in any field. Students are selected on the basis of prior academic achievement, relevance of work experience, motivation, and purpose of study in view of future career aspirations.

The Program is offered as a Regular Program or as an Executive Program. Students in the Regular Program study as full-time students and attend classes in the daytime. Students in the Executive Program are required to have a minimum of three years of work experience and attend class on Sundays. The program is offered in Thai.

The Curriculum

The curriculum comprises the following courses:

- Political and Social Systems
- Economics for Management
- Management Research
- Public and Private Sector Management
- Modern Organizations
- Information Systems for Management
- Strategic Management
- Human Capital Management and Development
- Financial Management
- Management Accounting
- Marketing Management
- Risk and Crisis Management
- Independent Study

Tuition Fee

MPPM Regular Program	70,900 Baht
MPPM Executive Program	187,000 Baht**

(** includes tuition fee, textbooks, library facilities
computer lab, and study visit)



PH.D.

Doctor of Philosophy in Development Administration (Ph.D.)

The Doctor of Philosophy in Development Administration is a unique interdisciplinary program that examines development administration and management from the social, economic, administrative, and philosophical perspectives. A great deal of emphasis is also placed on the role of management and organization in bringing about change and development in public and private organizations. In an era characterized by increasing interdependence and uncertainty, contemporary administrators are required to operate with increased effectiveness and make important decisions. This program provides the requisite conceptual, analytical, and affective skills required of today's decision makers and educators in fields relating to development administration.

The program is designed for professionals from diverse backgrounds who wish to gain advanced knowledge and improve their skills in order to develop their organizations and societies. The program is designed for development professionals from public and private agencies, international and non-governmental organizations, academics and researchers, and executives and educational administrators. The program is conducted entirely in English and is available for international and Thai students.

The program includes two years of coursework study followed by the doctoral dissertation writing process. Throughout the program assessment is based on papers and exams.

The doctoral program can be taken on a full-time basis, which takes approximately three years to complete, as well as on a part-time basis, which takes approximately four years to complete. All lectures are held in the evenings or on weekends.

The Curriculum

The program comprises the following curriculum:

Core Courses

Development Administration and Globalization
Organization Analysis and Management
Policy Studies

Research Methodology

Philosophy of the Social Sciences
Quantitative Research Methods I
Quantitative Research Methods II
Qualitative Research Methods

Seminar

Seminar on Research Development

Dissertation

Tuition Fee

Ph.D. in Development Administration	450,000 Baht
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Areas of Specialization

1. Development Management

Modern Management and Organization
Human Resource Management and Development
Financial Management

2. Policy and Management

Policy Implementation and Evaluation
Fiscal and Monetary Policy Analysis and Management
Management Systems and Organization Reforms



DPA



Doctor of Public Administration (DPA)

The Doctor of Public Administration (DPA) has been designed for students to build strong capabilities in creative thinking and in initiating new knowledge. Participation in the program enables students to improve their analytical skills, including applying knowledge of public administration to solving administrative problems and conducting advanced research in areas that are of relevance to Thailand's future development.

The Doctor of Public Administration program follows a semester system. The academic year consists of three semesters. Two of the semesters are 16 weeks in duration and the summer semester is 8 weeks in duration. The program takes 4 years to complete. It consists of two years of coursework study followed by the doctoral dissertation writing process. All classes are held in the evenings and on weekends in order to enable students to attend class outside working hours. The languages used in the program are Thai and English.

The Curriculum

The program comprises the following curriculum:

Core Courses

Public Management Theory
Analysis of Organization and Management
Human Resource Management for Excellence
Fiscal and Financial Systems and Institution Management
Policy Analysis

Areas of Specialization

1. Human Resource Management

Strategic Human Resource Management
Organizational Learning and Competency
Compensation Program Strategy and Design

2. Public Policy

Policy Implementation and Evaluation
Fiscal and Monetary Policy Analysis
Strategic Planning Management

Research Methodology

Philosophy of the Social Sciences
Quantitative Research Methods I
Quantitative Research Methods II
Qualitative Research Methods

3. Public and Private Management

Finance and Financial Market
Restructuring & Privatization
Government & Corporate Policy

Seminar

Seminar on Research Development

Dissertation



Tuition Fee

Doctor of Public Administration	450,000 Baht
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Training Program

MMM

The Mini Master of Management Program is a unique management training program designed for managers, in both the public and private sectors, to gain advanced management knowledge and skills. The MMM is a 84-hour management development program covering three learning modules: business environment, management tools, and case analysis. Numbers of high-profile lecturers, with years of management experience from the public and private sectors, including those from leading academic institutions, are invited to lead the program workshops.



GSPA-NIDA Campus and Surroundings



NIDA is located in the district of Bangkapi, approximately 15 km. to the east of central Bangkok.

The NIDA campus consists of eight schools, all providing master's and doctoral degrees: the School of Applied Statistics, the School of Business Administration, the School of Development Economics, the School of Human Resource Development, the School of Language and Communication, Law School, the School of Social and Environmental Affairs, and the Graduate School of Public Administration. The campus also includes the NIDA Training Center, the Office of the President, and administrative facilities.

On-Campus Health Center

NIDA provides health services to its students, faculty and staff with a modern health service center. A physician and registered nurses (RN) are on duty daily. The NIDA Health Center is located on the first floor of the Sports and Student Union Building.

Service hours

Mon-Fri: 08.30-19.30 hrs
Sat-Sun: 10.00-16.00 hrs
Closed on holidays
Tel: 02-727-3441



The Recreation Center

NIDA has indoor and outdoor facilities for squash, badminton, tennis, table-tennis, basketball, football and a weight room. All the services provided are free of charge.



On-Campus Accommodation



Furnished accommodation for faculty members and students is located on the 11th and 12th Floor, Boonchana Atthakor Building. Furnished, en-suite single and double rooms with TV, refrigerator and air conditioner.

Other facilities:

- washing machine
- safety system (key card), close-circuit security camera
- cleaning service

The NIDA campus also has several restaurants and cafés serving food and beverages at reasonable prices. Other campus facilities include a bank, a bookshop, and convenience shops. Bangkapi is a lively suburb with all the basic amenities, such as a post office, supermarkets, outdoor markets, and the large Mall Bangkapi with shops, restaurants, and movie theatres.

NIDA Digital Library

The NIDA Digital Library is located in the Boonchana Atthakorn Building. It has a peaceful atmosphere and is well-suited for quiet study. The library offers references and online resources for purposes of study, teaching, research, and training. It is used by the faculty, students, and staff of NIDA.

The NIDA library includes a large collection of reference books for loan, as well as online resources including e-journals, e-books, e-newspapers, and a dissertation database. The most recent World Bank publications are also available.

The library has computer facilities, reading areas, study rooms, and a prayer room. English-speaking staff members are available for assistance during open hours.

Open hours:

July–October and December–March

Monday–Friday 08.00–21.30 hrs

For the general public: only from 08.00–19.30 hrs

April – June and November

Monday–Friday 08.00–19.30 hrs

January–December

Saturday–Sunday 10.00–19.30 hrs

Closed on holidays

Open on substitution holidays: 10:00-19:30 hrs



GSPA's Regional Campuses



GSPA-NIDA has six regional campuses all over the country, including Phitsanulok, Udon Thani, Nakhon Ratchasima, Chon Buri, Surat Thani, and Songkhla provinces. These regional campuses offer MPA and MPPM (Chon Buri) Executive programs (similar to the program on the Bangkok campus) to local professionals.



Faculty at GSPA



Academic Position	Number
Professor	5
Associate Professor	11
Assistant Professor	7
Total	23

Selected Faculty Profiles



Associate Professor Dr. Juree Vichit-Vadakan

Expertise: civil society as development partner, transparency and accountability for good governance, and gender equality and women's participation in decision making

Dr. Juree Vichit-Vadakan teaches at the National Institute of Development Administration (NIDA) in Bangkok. She has served as Dean, Vice President, and President of NIDA.

Dr. Juree earned her BA, MA and Ph.D. degrees from the University of California, Berkeley; and her graduate training is in both Anthropology and Political Science.

Dr. Juree Vichit-Vadakan's work over the years has focused on three core issues: civil society as development partner, transparency and accountability for good governance, and gender equality and women's participation in decision making. She has combined academic work with social movement activities via the founding of the Center for Philanthropy and Civil Society. She is the Chair of this Center. She is a tireless advocate and a strong voice for social justice, good governance, and equitable, balanced and sustainable development. Dr. Juree is responsible for numerous research and consultancy projects both for government agencies and civil society. She also serves on several government and civil society boards.

In her career, her accomplishments are numerous, but just to highlight some: she is the author of many academic publications. She has been recognized as a global gender expert as well. She has been a strong voice in advocacy for women's leadership and political engagement through her studies on women's issues. She also served as chair of Women for the Promotion of Democracy which includes the Women and Politics Institute. She is also Secretary-General of Transparency Thailand, a chapter of Transparency International. She was appointed to the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women in 2004-2007.

Among the many honors and awards that she has received are the Hass International Award 2006 and an honorary doctor degree in Law from Indiana University in 2007.



Associate Professor Dr. Ponlapat Buracom

Dr. Ponlapat Buracom is currently an Associate Professor and the Director of the International Doctoral Program in Development Administration at the Graduate School of Public Administration, National Institute of Development Administration (NIDA) in Bangkok, Thailand. He is also a member of the administrative board of the NIDA Research Center and has served as a consultant to the Devawongse Varopakarn Institute of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He received his Ph.D. in Political Science with a specialization in Political Economy from Northwestern University, U.S.A. His research interests include public sector economics, comparative development administration, public spending analysis, and public budgeting. His recent publications include the Determinants of Public Spending, the Distributive Impact of Social Policy, and Performance-based Budgeting Reform in Thailand.

GSPA Faculty



Achakorn Wongpreedee

Ph.D. (Political Science), Chulalongkorn University

Ph.D. (Area Studies), Kyoto University

Expertise: Local public finance

Selected Research Topics

1. Politics of Local Authorities with Best Practices
2. People Participation in Performance Evaluation of Village Headmen
3. Local Public Finance in Thailand: A Comparative Perspective



Anchana Na Ranong

Ph.D. (Policy Development and Program Evaluation)

Vanderbilt University

Expertise: Health policy; Poverty; Evaluation

Selected Research Topics

1. Wisdom of Thai Elderly and Its Utilization
2. Local Fiscal in Thailand: A Comparative Perspective
3. Alcohol Consumption and Poverty



Boon-anan Phinaitrup

Ph.D. (Higher Education)

Loyola University

Expertise: Human resource management

Selected Research Topics

1. Strengthening the Competitiveness of Small and Medium Enterprises By Using the Cluster-Based Approach: A Case Study of Ratchaburi Orchid Cluster in Thailand
2. Challenges of Developing Human Resource Department: A Case of National Institute of Development Administration



Chandra-nuj Mahakanjana

Ph.D. (Political Science)

Northern Illinois University

Expertise: Local government and decentralization; Organization theory

Selected Research Topics

1. Decentralization and Characteristics of Local Government Executives in Thailand: From Past to Present
2. Decentralization, Municipal Governments, and the Role of Cooperative Community Groups in Thailand
3. Achieving Democratic Accountability in Thai Local Government



Chindalak Vadhanasindhu

Ph.D. (Political Science)

Indiana University

Expertise: Human resource management

Selected Research Topics

New Public Management: Theories, Concepts and Practices

GSPA Faculty



Grit Permtanjit

Ph.D. (City and Regional Planning)

University of Pennsylvania

Expertise: Political economy; Planning; Strategic management

Selected Research Topics

A Study of Applying the Concept of Welfare State in Thailand



Juree Vichit-Vadakan

Ph.D. (Anthropology)

University of California, Berkeley

Expertise: Roles of philanthropic organizations; Civil society; Women's studies

Selected Research Topics

1. A Study to Assess National Capacity for Advancing Children's Rights in Thailand: Institutional Capacity Gap Analysis
2. A Study on Methods to Increase Number of Women in Politics with a Particular Focus on the Option of Increasing Gender Quotas in Thailand's National and Local Education
3. Assessment on the Implementation of the Access to Information Law in Thailand



Kasemsarn Chotchakornpant

Ph.D. (Public Policy Analysis and Administration)

Saint Louis University

Expertise: Criminal justice

Selected Research Topics

1. Corruption and Misconducts in Thai Police Bureau
2. An Evaluation of Drug and Narcotics Resolution Policies in Thailand
3. Prison Reform in Thailand



Kitti Bunnak

Ph.D. (Development Administration)

National Institute of Development Administration

Expertise: Development administration

Selected Research Topics

1. Impacts of Free Trade Agreement (Thailand-Australia) on Thai Service Business
2. Accounting System Reform in Thai Public Hospitals



Montree Socratyanurak

Ph.D. (Economics)

University of Minnesota

Expertise: Public finance

Selected Research Topics

1. Household Spending and Saving Behavior: Cases of Ranong and Surathani Provinces
2. A Comparative Study of Causes of Income Inequality and Poverty of Regional Inhabitants in Thailand
3. Impacts of Financial Liberalization on Money Market and Capital Market in Thailand

GSPA Faculty



Nattha Vinijnaiyapak

Ph.D. (Public Administration)

University of Southern California

Expertise: Public policy studies; Policy and project analysis

Selected Research Topics

1. Factors Affecting Morally Administrative Behaviors of Mid-Level Civil Officials in Ministry of Finance in Thailand
2. Democratic Governance and National Development Plans in Thailand



Nisada Wedchayanon

Ph.D. (Political Science)

Northern Illinois University

Expertise: Human resource management

Selected Research Topics

1. Governance and Human Capital Management in Thai Public Sector
2. Human Capital Management and Democratic Governance in Thai Public Sector
3. An Evaluation of the Impacts of Human Resource Scorecard in Thai Public Sector



Pichit Pitaktesombat

Ph.D. (Demography)

Utah State University

Expertise: Research methodology

Selected Research Topics

1. Work Values of Thai Inhabitants in the Northeast Thailand
2. Happiness of Thai Urban Inhabitants
3. Happiness of Thai Rural Inhabitants



Pairote Pathranarakul

Ph.D. (Regional and Rural Development Planning)

Asian Institute of Technology, Bangkok

Expertise: Public sector management

Selected Research Topics

1. Wisdom and Innovation Management: Transformation of Small and Medium Enterprises in Thailand
2. Management Strategies and Organizational Adaptability in Times of Crisis



Ploy Suebvises

Ph.D. (Development Administration)

National Institute of Development Administration

Expertise: Organization behavior

Selected Research Topics

1. An Analysis of Training Programs for Local Government Executives, Council Members, and Officers
2. A Comparative Study on Transformational Leadership Attribute and Leadership Effectiveness Between Male and Female Municipal Clerks in Thailand
3. An Evaluation of Core Values Among Thai Local Government Personnel

GSPA Faculty



Ponlapat Buracom

Ph.D. (Political Science)
Northwestern University
Expertise: Public finance

Research Title

1. Democratic Governance in Budget Approval by the House of Representatives in Thailand
2. Explaining the Growth of Public Spending in Thailand: Demand-Side vs. Supply-Side Explanations and Empowerment
3. The Determinants and Distributional Effects of Public Education, Health, and Welfare Spending in Thailand



Prapon Sahapattana

Ph.D. (Criminal Justice)
Sam Houston State University
Expertise: Criminal Justice

Research Title

1. An Analysis of Burglary Hot Spots in Bangkok
2. Survey of Attitudes among Thai Citizens Toward Government Lottery Office
3. Criminal Justice Process Reform in Thailand



Sombat Thamrongthanyawong

Ph.D. (Development Administration)
National Institute of Development Administration
Expertise: Public policy; Thai politics

Research Title

1. Backgrounds, Political Culture, and Political Participation of Thai Youth Leaders
2. Political and Cultural System in Thailand
3. Public Policy Process in Thailand



Suchitra Punyaratabandhu

Ph.D. (Political Science)
University of California, Berkeley
Expertise: Organization theory; Methodology

Research Title

1. Citizen Attitudes Toward Good Governance: A Survey of Urban and Rural Inhabitants in the Central Region of Thailand
2. Citizen Attitudes Toward Good Governance: A Survey of Urban and Rural Inhabitants in The North and Northeast of Thailand
3. Managing Performance in a context of Political Clientelism: The Case of Thailand



Taweesak Suthakavatin

MPA (Hons.) Public Administration
National Institute of Development Administration
Expertise: Human resource management; Human capital

Research Title

1. A Survey of Thai Civil Servants' Attitudes Towards Practices of Merit System in Thai Civil Service
2. Health Insurance Management Reform in Thailand
3. The Application of Balanced Scorecard in Organizational Performance Assessments: A Case of Provincial Administrative Organization in Phuket

GSPA Faculty



Tippawan Lorsuwannarat

Ph.D. (Administrative Studies)

York University

Expertise: Organization; Management information systems

Selected Research Topics

1. Strategic Integrated Systems of Five Economic Ministries
2. Assessment Tools for Ethical Development in Thai Public Sector
3. Long-Term Research Planning for Building Partnerships Among Public, Private, and Civil Society Sectors



Udom Thumkosit

Ph.D. (Development Administration)

National Institute of Development Administration

Expertise: Local governance and organization management

Selected Research Topics

1. Measurement Model for Public Participation in Thai Local Governance
2. Factors Affecting Decentralization: A Case of Thai Local Government Devolution
3. Grants and Equalization Schemes for Thai Local Government Administration



Werawat Punnittamai

Ph.D. (Industrial & Organizational Psychology)

The University of Georgia

Expertise: Human resources management; Industrial and organizational management

Selected Research Topics

1. Developing a Causal Relationship Model of Human Resource Roles and Competencies on Their Professionalism Among Thai Public and Private Organizations
2. Confirmatory Factor Analysis of Learning Organizations Characteristics: The Case of Organizations in Thailand
3. Investigation of Practices of Corporate Social Responsibility Management in Thai Public Sectors

Guest Professors

Bidhya Bowornwathana

Ph.D. (Political Science)

Northern Illinois University

Natchaya Chalaysap

Ph.D. (TESOL)

University of Texas at Austin

Palin Poocharoon

Ph.D. (International Management)

University of Illinois at Chicago

Supamas Trivisvavet

Ph.D. (Public Management)

University of Southern California

Fredric William Swierczek

Ph.D. (Business policy and management)

University of Pittsburgh

Pakorn Priyakorn

M.Phil. (Development Studies)

University of Cambridge

Suchitra Thananan

Ph.D. (Development Administration)

National Institute of Development Administration

Uthai Laohavichien

DPA University of the Philippines

Krisana Kitiyadisai

Ph.D. (Information Systems)

London School of Economics

Patcharee Pokasamrit

Ph.D. (Foreign Language Education)

University of Texas at Austin

Supang Chantavanich

Ph.D. (Sociology Science)

University de Grenoble

Vorapol Socatiyanurak

Ph.D. (Finance)

University of Pennsylvania

Number of Graduates and Current students



Degree	Graduates	Students
	1991-2007	2010
Master's Program	22,455	2,512
Ph.D. Program	153	166

Journals

- Journal of Public Administration
- Journal of Public and Private Management

Graduate School of Public Administration produce two quality journals each year, Journal of Public Administration and Journal of Public and Private Management. The two journals have been receiving funding from Thailand's Higher Education Commission since 2009. All the contents in each journal are listed online and can be downloaded at

<http://gspa.nida.ac.th/v2/page.php?open=e-journal>



GSPA Activities

NIDA and GSPA hold a number of celebrations and activities throughout the year.

Commencement Day

NIDA's graduation ceremony is held annually in January. It is a ceremonial day to mark the end of hard work for each master's and doctoral student at NIDA. Each graduate receives his or her diploma from Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn.



Global Partnerships and International Activities



International Networks

Universities

Government Agency of Mongolia
Hong Bang University International, Vietnam
Indiana University, U.S.A.
Korea University, Republic of Korea
National Chengchi University, Taiwan R.O.C.
National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS), Japan
National University of Laos, Lao P.D.R.
Northern Illinois University, U.S.A.
Meiji University, Japan
North South University, Bangladesh
Tribhuvan University, Nepal
University of Gadjah Mada, Indonesia
University of Malaya, Malaysia
University of the Philippines, Diliman, the Philippines
Yonsei University, Republic of Korea

International Partnerships

Asia Foundation
Canadian International Development Agency
Ford Foundation
UNESCO
World Bank



International Activities

The School hosts lectures and seminars given by visiting lecturers from other universities abroad on a regular basis. NIDA and GSPA have exchange study agreements with a number of universities in the United States, Australia, Korea, China, Japan, Mongolia, Taiwan, and Vietnam. Through these exchange agreements, students are able to study for the duration of one semester in one of the partner universities. GSPA also accepts students from the partner universities to complete studies in the School.

Lecturers and students also make shorter visits and attend conferences in other countries that deal with subjects taught by the school and in which they have a research interest.

APAN Conference

Asian Public Administration Network Conference

Graduate School of Public Administration (GSPA), National Institute of Development Administration (NIDA), and Department of Public Administration, Korea University, Republic of Korea, annually organize the Asian Public Administration Network Conference, which is a conference for graduate students in Public Administration in Asian countries. The conference provides an interactive platform for graduate students from participating institutions to share their research and knowledge on topics relating to public administration. The forum enable graduate students to present their research to others, engage in discussions, and thereby develop and broaden their knowledge and research skills in areas directly linked with public administration.



International Students

The International Ph.D. Program welcomes graduate students from around the world. So far, in addition to Thailand, the program has included students from Australia, China, Ghana, India, Mongolia, Myanmar, Lesotho, Lao P.D.R., Malawi, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and Vietnam.

The Ph.D. Program Office assists international students by providing help with visa arrangements and accommodations.

Selected International Student Profiles



Naylin Oo

Myanmar

I work at the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) in Bangkok. I have been working on issues ranging from promoting public-private dialogues and partnerships, helping SMEs to benefit from global value chains to assisting countries in adopting ICTs for development, and promoting effective implementation of the principles of the Global Compact in Asia and the Pacific. I joined the United Nations in New York in July 1992 and graduated from the City University of New York with both Bachelor and Master degree in 1995 and 2000, respectively.

The Doctor of Philosophy in Development Administration (International Program) at NIDA has given me an opportunity to capture both Eastern and Western perspectives on various aspects of the development administration field, particularly regarding policy and management. It has offered me the flexibility to work full-time while pursuing the degree. The program is structured in such a way that it complements my work and sharpens my research and analytical skills.



Shujie Zhang

China

I am a student in the Ph.D. Program in Development Administration. I currently work for the World Customs Organization (WCO) Asia Pacific Office for Capacity Building (ROCB), an international organization based in Bangkok, committed to enhancing the effectiveness and efficiency of 33 Customs administrations in Asia Pacific. Before beginning work with the ROCB in March 2007, I worked for China Customs, particularly in the areas of international cooperation, training, and research.

I chose to join NIDA for my Ph.D. study for several reasons: First, the program design and orientation matched my background and aspirations extremely well. As a civil servant for many years, I wished to gain a deeper-level understanding of organizational processes. I also wished to gain further knowledge and capacity in public sector development, and also in areas that apply to international collaboration. How to enhance organizational capacity is my work focus. In this respects the NIDA program has provided me with a perfect framework for personal development. Gaining a Ph.D. will also enable me to teach at Chinese universities in the future.

After two years of studying in the program, the harvest is ample. Most importantly it has enhanced my capabilities in critical thinking. Now I won't easily believe what I read and hear. I have also learned how to conduct research in a methodological way. Professors' tutoring and interaction with classmates inspire me a lot. After each class, my head is refreshed with new ideas.



Selected International Student Profiles



Sepalika Sudasinghe

Sri Lanka

I am a Doctoral Candidate in Development Administration at the School of Public Administration, specializing in Policy and Management. I received a full scholarship from the School.

I am from The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka. I am presently on study leave from my post as professor and consultant at the Sri Lanka Institute of Development Administration, the premier public sector organization that provides postgraduate studies, training, and policy support to government departments and agencies. I strongly believe that the Ph.D. program at NIDA has enabled me to expand my knowledge and has strengthened my confidence to pursue my work more effectively and competently, especially my academic work. I completed a Bachelor's Degree in Arts, a Postgraduate Diploma in Economic Development, and a Master's in Economics, all at the University of Colombo.



Malaython Phanavanh

Lao P.D.R.

I am a first-year student in the Ph.D. Program in Development Administration. Presently I am on study leave from my work at the Food and Drug Quality Control Center, Ministry of Health, Lao PDR. I work at the Quality Assurance Division as a Technical Officer and Auditor. My work mainly consists of quality control of the laboratory. As an auditor, I also monitor food and drug manufacturing quality control.

The reasons why I chose to study at NIDA are many, but primarily I wished to continue my studies in public administration and management. I completed my master's degree in Public Administration and Management in Australia and wished to gain more advanced knowledge in this area. I was then very attracted by the history of NIDA and its foundation as well as its well-known reputation in development administration. Furthermore, I have found the professors, who mostly graduated from the US, to be highly experienced and knowledgeable in their areas of expertise. I look forward to working on my doctoral dissertation. I chose to pursue my Ph.D. at NIDA knowing that this course would help me to strengthen and deepen my knowledge, and enabled me to contribute in a significant way to my work area, my organization, and the development of my country.



Financial Aid

1) Academic Financial Aid: This type of scholarship is offered to newly-enrolled Thai and international students studying in degree programs at GSPA-NIDA

a. Academic Financial Aid for Master's Program Students

- Full Scholarship: full tuition is waived throughout the program, and a monthly stipend is provided. A qualified candidate must have an undergraduate GPA of at least 3.00 and is obligated to choose the thesis program and must maintain a GPA of at least 3.50 throughout his or her entire academic years
- Full Tuition Waiver: full tuition is waived throughout the program. A qualified candidate must have an undergraduate GPA of at least 3.00 and must maintain a GPA of at least 3.50 throughout his or her entire academic years
- Partial Tuition Waiver: half of the tuition is waived throughout the program

b. Academic Financial Aid for Ph.D. students

- Full Scholarship: full tuition is waived throughout the program, and a monthly stipend is provided. A qualified candidate must have a GPA of at least 3.00 at the undergraduate level and at least 3.50 at the master's level. The student must maintain a GPA of at least 3.50 throughout his or her entire academic years
- Full Tuition Waiver: full tuition is waived throughout the program
- Partial Tuition Waiver: half of the tuition is waived throughout the program

2) Teaching Assistantships (TA): a stipend of a maximum of 10,000 Baht per semester is offered to qualified students that are in need

3) Merit Scholarships: these scholarships are for highly distinctive students

a. For a master's student, the maximum amount is 30,000 Baht per year

b. For a doctoral student, the maximum amount is 50,000 Baht per year

4) Tuition Fee Waivers: students that critically need financial assistance may be granted tuition fee waivers in a given semester

5) APM Scholarship

6) Maythus Research Co., Ltd. Scholarship



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