

Research Scholarship Ph.D. Student Recruitment

We are looking for a motivated and talented scholar who wants to pursue a Ph.D. within the areas of Public Policy and Global Affairs.

This individual will work on the project *Generation Thailand: How Generational Contestation Frames Thai Politics* with the Principal Investigator Duncan McCargo, President's Chair in Global Affairs at Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore. This project aims to understand the emergence of generational contestation as a key element in Thailand's rapidly changing politics, notably since the emergence of the Future Forward Party in 2018 and the 2020 student-led protests.

The successful candidate will write a PhD thesis on a topic related to the changing nature of Thailand's politics over the past few years, one which foregrounds the question of generational contestation and is based on original qualitative data, comprising primarily Thai-language sources.

Pre-requisites:

- A good Master's / Second Class Upper Honours Bachelor's Degree in politics or a related field.
- Experience in qualitative research methods.
- Excellent written and spoken command of English (IELTS: 7.0 Overall Score).
- Excellent command of the Thai language.
- Well written research proposal and relevant research experience or research achievements preferred.
- Excellent project management and multi-tasking skills.

Location of the programme:

The candidate will join a vibrant group of graduate students in the Public Policy and Global Affairs Programme at NTU's School of Social Sciences. Click [here](#) for more details. Located in the heart of Southeast Asia, Singapore is an ultra-modern city-state offering impeccable infrastructure, superb food and celebrated multiculturalism. The climate is warm year-round. Nanyang Technological University, located at the west of the island, was ranked 15th in the QS World University Rankings 2025. It is also one of the top universities in Asia based on global rankings by subjects.

This Ph.D. position is funded full-time for a period of 4 years (tuition fees and stipends inclusive). Both Singaporean and international candidates are eligible to apply.

Interested candidates are requested to apply for admissions for the August 2025 intake for which applications open from 5 November to 15 December 2024.

Shortlisted candidates will be invited for interviews (via online) and the successful candidate will be expected to enroll in the Ph.D. programme for the respective intake.

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