

2024 FRANCO - THAI SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Guidelines for application

The Franco – Thai Scholarship Program of the Embassy of France in Thailand aims to support Thai students who intend to study in universities or higher education institutions in France for their Master’s degree or PhD. This program is based on a highly selective call for candidates in order to strengthen high level exchanges between France and Thailand.

1. ELIGIBILITY:

To be eligible for the Franco-Thai Scholarship Program, applicants must be:

- Under the age of 35 years old on September 1st, 2024;
- A Thai national;
- Intending to pursue a Master’s degree or PhD in France (exchange programs and training are not eligible);

This call for applications is open to all fields of studies.

2. ONLINE APPLICATION:

The scholarship application file is to be submitted online only (www.francothai-science.com) and must include:

- A filled-out scholarship 2024 application form (online);
- A copy of passport / ID;
- An up-to-date résumé stating the entire academic curriculum;
- A cover letter explaining motivations and interests in the planned project;
- Copies of academic diploma (Bachelor, Masters or PhD only) ;
- University transcripts;

For Master’s Degree:

- Copy of enrolment attestation. If the application process has not started for the considered program, please include copies of email exchanges with the French university to underline the seriousness of the project;

For PhD:

- An attestation signed by your tutor indicating his/her commitment to supervise your thesis; or in case of co-supervision an attestation signed by the two supervisors (Thai and French) indicating their commitment to supervise in France and in Thailand if need be;
- A detailed description of the research project (2-3 pages) including a detailed work plan;
- In case of co-supervision, a detailed plan of the various periods to spend in France during the research work;

Optional documents:

- Cost-sharing commitment letter from the corresponding organisation;

- Academic and/or professional recommendations;
- Language proficiency certificates: French (TCF, DELF, DALF, academic degree...) and/or English (TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS etc.).

3. SELECTION PROCESS:

Calendar:

- Launch of the 2024 Franco-Thai Scholarship Program: November 2023
- Deadline for online submission: February 19th, 2024
- Interview of the shortlisted candidates: Mid-March 2024
- Publication of the first list of scholarship recipients: End of May 2024
- Publication of the final list of scholarship recipients: Early August 2024
- Departure to France: Early September 2024

Scholarship laureates will be contacted individually. Final results will be published online on the Franco-Thai Scholarship Program website by Early August 2024. Committee's deliberations are beyond dispute.

Criterion:

- The candidate's skills and merit as borne out by his/her academic record and professional background;
- The quality of the study plan. Contacts with the Master's degree or thesis supervisors and progress of the project submitted will also be taken into account;
- The strong and firm interest of the candidate in pursuing studies with regards to his/her previous studies and professional project;
- The level of proficiency in foreign languages (French or English) and its adequacy with the intended curriculum;
- Other sources of funding to support the study/project;
- For PhD applicants, the selection committee will favor PhD under joint supervision and co-funding scheme. The commitment of Thai and French supervisors will be decisive;

Applicants, who have been preselected based on the quality of their application, will be interviewed by the pre-selection committee.

The scholarship can only be definitely granted once the selected candidate submits a final proof of enrolment in the program chosen.

SCHOLARSHIP MODALITIES:

The Franco-Thai scholarship is granted for the period necessary to obtain the degree: from ten to twenty-four months for a Master's Degree and thirty-six months for a PhD.

In case of co-supervision, the scholarship will only be granted for the periods spent in France.

If the curriculum requires some course works which will take place outside France, the scholarship will be suspended during that period.

TYPES OF SCHOLARSHIPS:

The Franco-Thai scholarship program offers two types of scholarships:

1. Full scholarship:

The full scholarship includes:

- A monthly allowance;
- A round trip ticket;
- Social protection;
- Advantages as the French Government's grant holder.

2. Co-funding scholarship:

2.1 Social Protection Scholarship/Bourse de Couverture Sociale:

Social Protection Scholarship or "Bourse de Couverture Sociale" gives access to a specific status, enabling candidates to benefit from social protection in France and other specific advantages (priority given on accommodation, exemption of tuition fees for some public higher education institutions' program,...). **The "Bourse de Couverture Sociale" can only be granted if a cost-sharing agreement ensures a monthly allowance to the scholar, since it will not be provided by the Franco-Thai program for this type of scholarship.**

2.2 Cost sharing scholarship with monthly allowance:

Both Master and PhD applicants are highly encouraged to look for other sources of funding not only from his/her own local or foreign university, but also from private sector. **A specific attention will be given to applicants who have found other sources of funding for their study.**

BENEFITS OF THE FRANCO-THAI SCHOLARSHIP'S HOLDERS:

For Master's Degree

- A monthly allowance **up to 860 euros maximum** supported by the Embassy of France, **the co-funding scheme for monthly allowance is welcome. The exact amount of allowance granted to each student will depend on the selection committee's decision;**
- A round trip ticket;
- Social protection;
- Advantages as the French Government's grant holder (priority for accessing to student housing, visa fees exemption, assistance offered by Campus France Paris, French intensive course at Alliance Française Bangkok, etc.)

For PhD

- **The co-funding scheme for monthly allowance is highly recommended** because some doctoral schools ask for a higher monthly income than the monthly allowance granted by this scholarship program. **Students applying to those doctoral schools have to check and coordinate with the French laboratory or doctoral school to secure additional funding. However, the co-funding scheme cannot combine with the work contract.**
- A monthly allowance **up to 1 500 euros maximum** supported by the Embassy of France. **The exact amount of allowance granted to each student will depend on the selection committee's decision;**
- A round trip ticket;
- Social protection;
- Advantages as the French Government's grant holder (priority for accessing to student housing, visa fees exemption, assistance offered by Campus France Paris, French intensive course at Alliance Française Bangkok, etc.)

Remark regarding the tuition fees

Please note that the Franco-Thai Scholarship Program does not cover tuition fees.

For some Master's program taught in French at a public university and for PhD programs, being a scholar of

the French Government will entail that the tuition fees will be lifted. It is the candidate's responsibility to check the amount of the tuition fees for the program he/she is applying to.

COMMITMENTS OF THE LAUREATES:

The scholarship recipient commits him/herself to:

- Attending the intensive full-time French course scheduled at the Alliance Française de Bangkok;
- Respecting the study plan he/she has been selected for;
- Being in possession of the official attestation of scholarship, the original copy of his/her diploma and all necessary documents, before departure to France.
- Being in France for the whole period of his/her studies.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: FEBRUARY 19th, 2024

Only online applications will be accepted.

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A delivery status notification will be sent by e-mail to the applicants after the online submission of their applications. Incomplete applications or applications failing to meet the deadline will be rejected. Make sure that all necessary documents are attached in your application

Throughout your whole application process, it is encouraged to contact Campus France should you have any questions. The Campus France team **is here to help you figure out which programs might be more coherent with your study and career plans and can advise you on how to fill out your 2024 Franco-Thai Scholarship application.**

Workshops will be organized by Campus France to offer assistance in writing cover letter and résumé for the scholarship program and to present the different study opportunities in France.

Visit Campus France at the Embassy of France in Thailand 35 Charoen Krung Soi 36 (Rue de Brest), Bangrak, Bangkok 10500

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