

COLLEGE OF GRADUATE STUDIES



Walailak University Graduate Scholarships



A complete guide to scholarship types, benefits, eligibility requirements, and application conditions for doctoral and master's degree candidates.

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SECTION 01 — OVERVIEW

Investing in Graduate Excellence

Walailak University has adopted a proactive policy to grow the number of academically capable individuals pursuing graduate study, and to strengthen teaching, learning, and research at the graduate level to internationally recognised standards.

To this end, the College of Graduate Studies (CGS) has introduced a scholarship programme that exempts tuition fees and other expenses for qualified students, in accordance with the conditions, criteria, and durations set out in this announcement.

Programme Objectives

- 1 Promote and support graduate education and research at Walailak University.
- 2 Increase the quantity and quality of research published by the University in international journals indexed in the Scopus database.
- 3 Encourage academically capable students to enrol in graduate programmes at Walailak University.
- 4 Give scholarship recipients the opportunity to gain teaching and research experience by serving as Teaching Assistants (TA) or Research Assistants (RA).

WHAT THIS BOOKLET COVERS

Five scholarship schemes across the Doctoral and Master's degree levels, their benefits, eligibility criteria for applicants and advisors, the selection process, and the conditions that apply throughout the scholarship period.

SECTION 02 — AT A GLANCE

Five Scholarship Schemes

Two degree levels, five schemes, one shared goal — supporting outstanding students through international and English-medium graduate programmes.

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SCHOLARSHIPS / YEAR

5

SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES

2

DEGREE LEVELS

Doctoral Degree

SCHEME 1

Scholarship for Employed Applicants (SEA)

BENEFIT

Full tuition fee waiver + THB 20,000 stipend per semester

SLOTS

100 per academic year

DURATION

6 semesters (Master's holders) · 8 semesters (Bachelor's holders)

SCHEME 2

Scholarship for General Applicants (SGA)

BENEFIT

Full tuition fee waiver

SLOTS

100 per academic year

DURATION

6 semesters (Master's holders) · 8 semesters (Bachelor's holders)

SCHEME 3

Partial Tuition Fee Scholarships – External Fund

BENEFIT

Partial tuition fee waiver, alongside an external funder (e.g. PSMT, RGJ, TAIST)

SLOTS

50 per academic year

DURATION

As specified in the external scholarship contract

Master's Degree

SCHEME 4

Full Tuition Fee Waiver Scholarship

BENEFIT

Full tuition fee waiver

SLOTS

20 per academic year

DURATION

4 consecutive academic semesters

SCHEME 5 Partial Tuition Fee Scholarships – External Fund	BENEFIT	Partial or full tuition fee waiver, alongside an external funder (e.g. DPST, RRI TIPP, TICA)
	SLOTS	20 per academic year
	DURATION	As specified in the external scholarship contract

Note: Scheme 4 above is drawn from the source announcement’s Master’s degree table; applicants should confirm the intended degree level with the College of Graduate Studies at the time of application.

SECTION 03 — DOCTORAL DEGREE · SCHEME 1

Scholarship for Employed Applicants (SEA)

Awarded to high-potential applicants already in employment who enrol in international or English-medium instruction doctoral degree programmes.

🕒 SCHOLARSHIP VALUE

Full tuition fee waiver, plus a semester stipend of **THB 20,000** granted to each successful candidate.

100 scholarships available per academic year.

📅 DURATION

6 consecutive semesters for applicants holding a Master's degree (Type 1.1 / 2.1).

8 consecutive semesters for applicants holding a Bachelor's degree (Type 1.2 / 2.2).

Eligibility of Applicants

- 1 Must be personnel from a government or private-sector organisation, and must have graduated from a university accredited by recognised standards or listed in international rankings.
- 2 Must provide one of the following: an official study-leave approval letter from the affiliated organisation, or documentary evidence of business operation (for entrepreneurs and business owners). Current Walailak University students applying under continuing eligibility must instead submit a financial support certification endorsed by their thesis advisor and approved by the Chair of the Graduate Studies Committee.
- 3 Must not be over 40 years of age.
- 4 Must meet the English-language test score requirements set out in the Walailak University announcement on Foreign Language Proficiency Criteria for Graduate Admission B.E. 2565 (2022).
- 5 Academic qualifications: cumulative GPA of at least **3.40/4.00** (Bachelor's degree) or **3.60/4.00** (Master's degree), or equivalent. Applicants who hold a thesis-only Master's degree must additionally have at least one research article published in an international academic journal indexed in Scopus.

☆ GPA WAIVER

If the cumulative GPA requirement is not met, published research articles in international journals indexed in Scopus may be considered as supporting qualifications, on a case-by-case basis.

 REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- ✓ Official study-leave approval letter, or evidence of business operation
- ✓ Financial support certification (continuing WU students only)
- ✓ English-language proficiency test score report
- ✓ Academic transcript(s) evidencing cumulative GPA

SECTION 03 — DOCTORAL DEGREE · SCHEME 1 (CONTINUED)

SEA — Conditions & Advisor Eligibility

Conditions for Recipients

- 1 Semester GPA must not fall below **3.30**/4.00 for students enrolled in Study Plan 2.1 or 2.2.
- 2 Recipients must submit academic and research progress reports, following the European Model, to the Graduate School every semester until graduation.
- 3 Recipients must publish, or obtain formal acceptance to publish, research articles in international academic journals indexed in Scopus.

PUBLICATION REQUIREMENT

At least **two articles** published in journals ranked **Quartile 1 (Q1)** with a percentile of not less than 85.

Eligibility of Advisor

- 1 Must be a full-time faculty member of Walailak University.
- 2 Must have research experience and expertise relevant to the student's thesis topic, and be capable of providing effective academic guidance and research supervision.
- 3 Must have international publications indexed in Scopus, within the five years preceding the student's admission year, as follows:

Field	Requirement
Humanities & Social Sciences	At least 3 publications, Quartile 2 (Q2) or higher, as First or Corresponding Author
Science, Technology & Health Sciences	At least 3 publications, Quartile 1 (Q1), as First or Corresponding Author

- 4 Upon retirement, the thesis advisor must continue supporting the student's research to ensure completion, serving as co-advisor.
- 5 If a student does not fully meet the University's eligibility criteria, the advisor's supervision record and publication achievements may also be taken into consideration.
- 6 Walailak University reserves the right to appoint an advisor with equivalent qualifications where necessary, provided this does not affect the recipient's rights.

SECTION 04 — DOCTORAL DEGREE • SCHEME 2

Scholarship for General Applicants (SGA)

Full tuition fee waiver for high-potential applicants enrolled in international or English-medium instruction doctoral programmes — open to applicants beyond the employed-applicant category.

🕒 SCHOLARSHIP VALUE

Full tuition fee waiver.

100 scholarships available per academic year.

📅 DURATION

6 semesters (Master's holders) ·

8 semesters (Bachelor's holders)

Eligibility of Applicants

- 1 Must not be over 40 years of age.
- 2 Must meet the English-language test score requirements set out in the Walailak University announcement on Foreign Language Proficiency Criteria for Graduate Admission B.E. 2565 (2022).
- 3 Academic qualifications: cumulative GPA of at least **3.20**/4.00 (Bachelor's degree) or **3.40**/4.00 (Master's degree), or equivalent. Applicants who hold a thesis-only Master's degree must additionally have at least one research article published in an international academic journal indexed in Scopus.

☆ GPA WAIVER

If the cumulative GPA requirement is not met, published research articles by the applicant in international journals indexed in Scopus may be considered as substitute qualifications, on a case-by-case basis.

Conditions for Recipients

- 1 Semester GPA must not fall below **3.30**/4.00 for students enrolled in Study Plan 2.1 or 2.2.
- 2 Recipients must submit academic and research progress reports, following the European Model, to the Graduate School every semester until graduation.
- 3 Recipients must publish, or obtain formal acceptance to publish, research articles in international academic journals indexed in Scopus — at least **two articles**, of which at least one must be ranked **Quartile 1 (Q1)**.

ELIGIBILITY OF ADVISOR

Advisor requirements mirror the Scholarship for Employed Applicants (SEA): a full-time Walailak University faculty member with relevant supervisory expertise and Scopus-indexed publications — at least 3 in Q2+ (Humanities & Social Sciences) or Q1 (Science, Technology & Health Sciences) within the preceding five years. The same retirement, discretionary, and University-appointment provisions apply. See Section 03 for full detail.

SECTION 05 — DOCTORAL DEGREE • SCHEME 3

Partial Tuition Fee Scholarships — External Fund

Full tuition fee exemption for applicants already funded by an external scholarship programme — such as PSMT, RGJ, or TAIST-type schemes — or admitted through organisations under formal collaborative agreements with Walailak University.

🕒 SCHOLARSHIP VALUE

Partial tuition fee waiver.

50 scholarships available per academic year.

📅 DURATION

As stated in the **external scholarship's contract**.

Eligibility of Applicants

- 1 Open to applicants of all nationalities.
- 2 Must hold a scholarship from another organisation, such as DPST, RGJ, or RRI.
- 3 Must meet applicant eligibility in accordance with the relevant Walailak University announcement.
- 4 English proficiency equivalent to, or higher than, an official **TOEFL score of 500** (paper-based), or the score specified in the University's announcement.

Conditions for Recipients

- 1 Students in a coursework programme must maintain the study result specified in their external scholarship contract.
- 2 Submit a progress report to the College of Graduate Studies every term.
- 3 Publish research in accordance with the thesis publication standards for graduation and the requirements of the external funding source.

👤 ELIGIBILITY OF ADVISOR

Advisors must meet the qualifications specified in Walailak University's graduate study regulations. The University reserves the right to appoint an advisor with equivalent qualifications where necessary, provided this does not affect the recipient's rights.

SECTION 06 — MASTER'S DEGREE • SCHEME 4

Full Tuition Fee Waiver Scholarship

Full tuition fee waiver for high-potential applicants enrolled in international programmes, or programmes conducted in English.

🕒 SCHOLARSHIP VALUE

Full tuition fee waiver.

20 scholarships available per academic year.

📅 DURATION

4 consecutive academic semesters.

Eligibility of Applicants

- 1 Applicants must intend to pursue doctoral studies at Walailak University, per the source announcement — applicants should confirm this requirement with the College of Graduate Studies, as this scheme appears under the Master's degree table.
- 2 Open to applicants of all nationalities.
- 3 Must hold a Bachelor's degree with a cumulative GPA of at least **3.00**/4.00, or equivalent.
- 4 Must not be a recipient of the same type of scholarship from another organisation.
- 5 Must meet the English-language test score requirements set out in the Walailak University announcement on Foreign Language Proficiency Criteria for Graduate Admission B.E. 2565 (2022).

★ GPA WAIVER

If the cumulative GPA requirement is not met, published research articles by the applicant in international journals indexed in Scopus may be considered as substitute qualifications, on a case-by-case basis.

Conditions for Recipients

- 1 Must maintain a GPA of at least **3.00** every term.
- 2 Submit a progress report to the College of Graduate Studies every term.
- 3 A research article by the recipient **must be published**, or formally accepted for publication, in a peer-reviewed academic journal indexed in the Scopus database, ranked Quartile 4 or higher.

ELIGIBILITY OF ADVISOR

Advisors must meet the qualifications specified in Walailak University's graduate study regulations. The University reserves the right to appoint an advisor with equivalent qualifications where necessary, provided this does not affect the recipient's rights.

SECTION 07 — MASTER'S DEGREE • SCHEME 5

Partial Tuition Fee Scholarships — External Fund

Partial or full tuition fee waiver for applicants awarded a scholarship by another organisation — such as DPST, RRI TIPP, or TICA — and enrolled in international Master's programmes or Master's programmes with English-medium instruction.

SCHOLARSHIP VALUE

Partial or full tuition fee waiver.

20 scholarships available per academic year.

DURATION

As stated in the **external scholarship's contract**.

Eligibility of Applicants

- 1 Open to applicants of all nationalities.
- 2 Must hold a scholarship from another organisation, such as DPST, RGJ, or RRI.
- 3 Must meet applicant eligibility in accordance with the relevant Walailak University announcement.
- 4 English proficiency equivalent to, or higher than, an official **TOEFL score of 450** (paper-based), or the score specified in the University's announcement.

CONDITIONS FOR RECIPIENTS

Research outputs must be published in accordance with the thesis publication requirements for graduation, and with the conditions stipulated by the external funding source.

ELIGIBILITY OF ADVISOR

Advisors must meet the qualifications specified in Walailak University's graduate study regulations. The University reserves the right to appoint an advisor with equivalent qualifications where necessary, provided this does not affect the recipient's rights.

SECTION 08 – PROCESS

Selection & Monitoring

A three-step selection process, followed by continuous monitoring for the duration of each recipient's scholarship.

Scholarship Recipient Selection

- 1 • Programme-level review**
 The Graduate Program Committee of each curriculum selects qualified candidates who meet Section 3 requirements, show high potential to publish research before graduation, and meet any further qualifications at the Committee's discretion.
- 2 • CGS proposal**
 The College of Graduate Studies proposes the list of qualified candidates who passed deliberation to the Graduate Scholarship Allocation Committee.
- 3 • Announcement & monitoring**
 The College of Graduate Studies announces the results for all scholarship types, and monitors recipients every academic semester until the scholarship period ends.

ONGOING MONITORING

The College of Graduate Studies announces selection results for all scholarship types and monitors recipients every academic semester until their scholarship status ends.

SECTION 09 – DURATION

Termination of Scholarship Status

Scholarship status ends when any one of the following criteria is met.

 IMPORTANT DEADLINE – PROPOSAL EXAMINATION

Degree Level	Deadline (from first semester)
Master's degree	Within 2 semesters
Doctoral degree – continuing from Master's (Type 1.1 / 2.1)	Within 2 semesters
Doctoral degree – continuing from Bachelor's (Type 1.2 / 2.2)	Within 3 semesters

Additional Grounds for Termination

- ✓ Completion of studies at the educational level for which the scholarship was awarded.
- ✓ Expiry of the student's status at Walailak University.
- ✓ Fulfilment of the conditions of the scholarship period, as stated in Section 3.
- ✓ Research progress falls below the threshold defined by the curriculum, school, or college.
- ✓ Misconduct, academic dishonesty, or disciplinary suspension – or other behaviour the thesis advisory committee deems appropriate grounds for termination, with approval of the graduate programme committee.
- ✓ Inability to study or research on a full-time basis.

SECTION 10 — OBLIGATIONS

Other Conditions

Recipients agree to the following obligations for the duration of their scholarship, and at the time of graduation.

- 1 Acknowledge Walailak University as the scholarship provider, including the statement *"This work has been supported by Walailak University Graduate Scholarships"* in both publications and the thesis.
- 2 Complete the requirements set out in Section 3 before being approved to finish the degree.
- 3 If the scholarship is terminated under clauses 5.1, 5.3, 5.5, or 5.6 (as referenced in the source announcement), the recipient is responsible for reimbursing the University for the entire scholarship amount.
- 4 The programme, school, or college will conduct academic monitoring of recipients every semester.
- 5 Study leave is carried out following Walailak University regulations; recipients are responsible for paying study-leave fees themselves, and doing so is treated as declining scholarship support for that semester.
- 6 Students who reach the end of their scholarship agreement period without completing their studies are responsible for all expenses incurred after the contract expiry date.
- 7 Recipients facing unforeseeable circumstances that prevent completing their studies on time must submit information for consideration by the Graduate Scholarship Allocation Committee within **3 months** before the scholarship agreement expires; the Committee's decision is at its discretion.

SUBMITTING WORK FOR GRADUATION

Recipients must submit reprint(s) of published works in academic journals, or letters of acceptance for publication, when applying for graduation.

SECTION 11 — REIMBURSEMENT

Termination of Studies & Reimbursement

If a recipient's studies or scholarship eligibility is terminated under items 6.1, 6.3, 6.5, or 6.6 (see Section 09), the student must reimburse the University for the amount received within the specified timeframe. In the event of default, the recipient must reimburse the entire amount plus interest, at a rate not exceeding the legal limit.

EFFECTIVE DATE & FINAL AUTHORITY

These scholarships apply to students enrolling from Academic Year 2026 onwards. If scholarship conditions are not met, the College of Graduate Studies will present recommendations from the Graduate Scholarship Allocation Committee, and propose a decision to the University President. The President's decision is final.

Addendum — Unforeseeable Circumstances

Unforeseeable circumstances are defined as situations that cannot be foreseen, and cannot be prevented or controlled by any reasonable means, which affect a recipient's ability to carry out their duties. Examples include:

- ✓ Natural disasters (floods, earthquakes, typhoons)
- ✓ Wars and riots
- ✓ Pandemics
- ✓ Any other situation beyond the control of an individual or an organisation

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Ready to Apply?

✉ **CONTACT INFORMATION**

College of Graduate Studies (CGS)
Walailak University

For enquiries about eligibility, required documents, and application procedures for any of the five scholarship schemes in this booklet, please contact the College of Graduate Studies directly.

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