



Strengthening the Vision and International Experience in the United States: 2016 Program

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Introduction

Mahamakut Buddhist University (MBU) is one of the institutions of higher education in Thailand. MBU initiated the Doctoral Program in Educational Administration beginning in the academic year 2013. The main aims are to bring Buddhism teaching into management studies and to enable students developing a vision through international experience to be a strong driving force in the development of quality education in an increasingly competitive international marketplace.

To achieve such aims, in addition to the courses focus on doctrinal management, the globalization of education, the ASEAN community, and the new educational paradigm for the 21st century, MBU also develops international activities for students. These activities include workshops in administrative education and training skills in English with the support from the current and emeritus professors from Washington State University, USA. For example a 30-hour workshop is conducted each semester, providing students the opportunity to experience these activities via two workshops each academic year.

Strengthening the Vision and International Experience in the United States, Year 2016, is one of the projects that MBU provides its students to strengthen their international skills and provide an international perspective. Participating in the project gives students an opportunity to learn from real life in the United States, emphasizing technological progress advanced economic development, and social, political, cultural and technological vision. The expectation is that students will be able to integrate their experience into the core Buddhist teaching and use it to develop their own global vision and experience that will benefit the educational development and strength of the country.

Activities and Expectations:

1. Experience student life in the context of economic, social, political, cultural and technological advances in the United States.
2. Participate in the process of self-management and mutual group support. The principles of self-reliance based on communication; scheduling of transportation, hotels, and food supply; site visitations and many other tasks to enhance the comprehensive learning experience.
3. Attend the annual conference of the American Educational Research Association (AERA) in Washington D.C.. to study the design and management of an international academic conference with more than 12,000 attendees. Observe and learn from the presentation of the research participants, and from professional academics conducting formal research presentations.
4. Participate in informal visits to U.S research universities to informally observe higher education instruction and research.

Itinerary

Date	Activities
To U.S.A. April 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ On flight - CA980 – Bangkok - Beijing 01:05 - 06:30 Transit CA985 Beijing – San Francisco 15:40 - 12:20
April 1-2 San Francisco	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staying - Union Square Plaza Hotel 432 Geary Street, Union Square, CA 94102 ▪ Visiting - Golden Gate Bridge, Fisherman’s Wharf , Pier 39, Chinatown, Union Square, Civic Hall, Lombard Street, Museums.
April 3-4 Los Angeles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staying - Hollywood Downtowner. 5601 Hollywood Blvd, Los Angeles, C.A. 90028. 800-491-6126. ▪ Visiting - Universal Studio, Hollywood, Walk of Fame, Downtown, Thai town.
April 5-6 Las Vegas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staying - Super 8 Las Vegas Strip Area at Ellis Island Casino 4250 Koval Lane, Las Vegas, NV, 89109, United States of America, +65-6823-2330 ▪ Visiting - Downtown, University of Nevada, Grand canyon.
April 7-8 Chicago	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staying - Red Roof Inn Downtown Chicago - 162 E Ontario St. IL. 60611, Tel. 312-787-3580 ▪ Visiting - Downtown, Millennium Park, Grant Park, Willis Tower (Sear Tower)
April 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ On train - Chicago – Washington D.C.
April 10-11 Washington D.C.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staying - Howard Johnson Express Inn Washington DC 600 New York Ave Ne Washington, DC, 20002 United States, 1-866-538-0251 ▪ Attending: International Annual Meeting, American Educational Research Association (AERA) at Walter E. Washington Convention Center About the AERA annual meeting: (www.aera.net) The AERA Annual Meeting is the largest gathering of scholars in the field of education research. It is a showcase for ground-breaking, innovative studies in a diverse array of areas -- from early education through higher education, from digital learning to second language literacy. It is where to encounter ideas and data that will shape tomorrow's education practices and policies, and where to connect with leading thinkers from the U.S. and around the world. ▪ Visiting - U.S. Capitol, Air and Space Museum, Museum of Natural and man, Museum of American History, Washington D.C. Monument, World War Memorial, Lincoln Building, White House, etc.
April 12 Niagara Falls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staying - Econo Lodge At The Falls North 5919 Niagara Falls Blvd, Niagara Falls, NY, 14304, United States of America, +65-6823-2330 ▪ Visiting - Niagara Falls
April 13-14 New York City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staying - Best Western Queens Court Hotel 133-51 39 Avenue, Flushing, NY, 11354, United States of America, +65-6823-2330 ▪ Visiting - Time Square, Statue of Liberty, World Trade Center, Century 21st
April 15-16 Return	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ On flight - CA982 New York (JFK) – Beijing 16:50-18:20 CA979 Beijing – Bangkok 19:35-23:40

Note: Some hotels may be changed.

Participants

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Cost

The prepaid expenses for the airplane, accommodation, transportation, etc. 97,000 baht.

Responsible person

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