University Structure

The University is comprised of the following offices:

- 1. Bureau of General Administration
- 2. School of Sciences
- 3. School of Liberal Arts
- 4. School of Information Technology
- 5. School of Agricultural Technology
- 6. School of Management Sciences
- 7. School of Industrial Technology
- 8. Center of Academic Services
- 9. Computer Service Center
- 10. Center of Educational Services
- 11. Center of Scientific and Technological Equipment
- 12. Center of Library Resources and Educational Media

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Background

Mae Fah Luang University (MFLU) was founded in 1998 in Chiang Rai, the northernmost province of Thailand, in response to the need of the people to commemorate HRH the Princess Mother. This outstanding university aims to enhance the development of education, economy and the community in the upper northern areas. The university will also serve as a center of higher education for the Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS), covering six countries: Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand, Vietnam, and Yunnan Province (Southern China).

The main campus of MFLU is situated in Chiang Rai Province, with an area of approximately 1,998 acres. Its' two other campus sites are in Mae Lao District and Mae Suay, with areas of 1,023 and 289 acres respectively.

MFLU is an autonomous state university, offering education of an international standard. One of the main purposes of the university is to pursue the values of HRH, the Princess Mother, concerning environmental rehabilitation, reforestation and human resource development. Based upon these ideals, MFLU will produce graduates with international competence, who are well prepared for today's highly competitive and globalized world.



Programs of Study

MFLU intends to develop programs of study in five areas of discipline;

- 1. Food Technology
- 2. Information Technology
- 3. Environmental Technology
- 4. Business Administration
- 5. Language and Culture

Educational System

The academic year of MFLU adopts a semester system, that includes two semesters per year. Each semester is 15 weeks in duration, including three weeks for midterms and final examinations.

Faculty and Academic Staff

The university recruits highly capable scholars in various fields of study to conduct competitive research studies relevant to the missions of the university, as well as the needs of the country, and the GMS. Of equal importance is the faculty's responsibility to produce quality graduates.

Objectives

MFLU was established to fulfil the following objectives:

- 1. To Commemorate HRH, the Princess Mother
- 2. To be an outstanding university to develop human resources and protect the natural environment.
- 3. To respond to the need of nearby localities for a quality, higher education institution in the upper northern area
- 4. To serve as a center for higher education for the GMS countries
- 5. To be a truly international university of international standards

Desirable Graduates Attributes

MFLU graduates need to be competent and well rounded, particularly in language and their respective areas of specialization. They ought to be creative, able to apply their knowledge in their professional lives, and be persistent in improving themselves and their work. They should also demonstrate outstanding interpersonal qualities and retain ethical values. Their perceptions of the world should be widened realistically in line with the international community. With such attributes, they will be able to perform their functions for the good of the society and country while being able to help retain the Thai identity.



University Construction

Part of the construction of MFLU's outer buildings have been completed. These are initially being utilized as the administration office and classrooms. In the long run. MFLU has been allocated 2.325 million baht (US\$ 61.2 million) for the years 1999-2003. The Royal Thai Government has given full support to the construction of the university's permanent buildings. 81 infrastructure system, and other developmental costs. All should be completed by the year 2003 and ready to enroll 10,000 students overall, with half of them coming from the 17 provinces in the northern region of the country.

Research

Research is an integral part of the university's mission in addition to teaching and learning. It is each and every faculty member's requisite to consistently produce quality research and other academically related works. Funding is provided by the university itself and is also sought from other external sources.

