



Kasetsart University will mark its 80th anniversary on the 2nd of February in 2023.

It was established as the first institution of higher education in Thailand focusing intensively on research, education, and extension training in agriculture. It has evolved to become the largest university in Thailand and now provides undergraduate and graduate degree programs at 5 campuses – it enrolls about 70,000 students and employs more than 10,000 people. KU's faculties offer a diverse, comprehensive curriculum (more than 600 courses), including 50 full-degree programs taught exclusively in English.

Kasetsart University's strategic objectives are to internationalize all aspects of its teaching, research, and academic services, and to connect in a sustainable way with leading universities and other research-oriented institutions.

The university is honored by its many international relationships. KU currently has more than 400 active collaborative partnerships, focusing on educational exchanges and practical cooperative research, which have helped the university to achieve notable ranking among world universities, particularly in agriculture and forestry. Kasetsart University greatly appreciates the wide network of partners who have helped us to build strengths in each of our disciplines of study.

Despite the limitation posed by Covid, since 2021 to the present, Kasetsart University has welcomed visitors from around the world who have demonstrated their readiness to promote beneficial cooperative initiatives, focusing on educational programs and high-impact research. Kasetsart University has been particularly honored to have welcome ambassadors from several countries:

H.E. Dr. Ramadhani Kitwana Dau, Ambassador of Tanzania in Malaysia, spoke about Kasetsart University's international reputation for excellence in agricultural research. The Honorable Ambassador outlined potentials for educational cooperation, especially in the agricultural sector, and proposed that Kasetsart University organize courses that would develop human resources in fields related to modern agricultural technologies and production processes. To strengthen this valuable connection, Kasetsart University has provided one Ph.D. scholarship to a student from Tanzania.

H.E. Remco van Wijngaarden, Ambassador of the Netherlands to Thailand, spoke about the similarities between the two countries, again focusing predominantly on agriculture. The Ambassador proposed efforts that would promote educational cooperation and research in various facets related to agricultural sustainable development.



Already, various universities and research institutions in the Netherlands have collaborative academic exchange and research initiatives with more than 10 faculties at Kasetsart University, including Engineering, Veterinary Medicine, Forestry, Agriculture, Fisheries, Agro-Industry, Economics, Business Administration, Social Sciences, and The KU Graduate School. On this occasion, representatives of exchange students from the Netherlands shared their views on life at Kasetsart University.

H.E. Mr. Kazuya Nashida, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to the Kingdom of Thailand, was optimistic that the exchange of academic personnel and students could occur after the Covid-19 epidemic situation in both countries has eased.

Kasetsart University already has more than 100 agreements with leading universities in Japan, authorizing collaboration in research and the exchange of academic staff and students. On this occasion, representatives of exchange students from Japan welcomed the Japanese Ambassador. Looking forward, as Kasetsart University pursues the establishment of a Faculty of Medicine, it is exploring appropriate ways to cooperate with leading Japanese universities to develop joint degree or other academic programs.

H.E. Mr. Mohammed Abdul Hye, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Embassy of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, raised various potential arrangement for cooperation that would provide pathways for Bangladeshi students to study in Thailand, especially at Kasetsart University, because of its excellence in agricultural research and other disciplines. On this occasion, Kasetsart University awarded two scholarships funding master's degree to Bangladeshi personnel and civil servants.

H.E. Mr. Tumur Amarsanaa, Ambassador of Mongolia to Thailand, spoke about their mutual interests in climate change, livestock and animal husbandry, tropical food and fruit, irrigation technologies, and human resource development through training courses, as well as possible exchanges of faculty and academic staff, and joint research projects. On this occasion, Kasetsart University awarded a Mongolian civil servant a scholarship for a master's degree program.



Kasetsart University continues to promote the development of collaborative relations with leading universities and research institutions around the world. President Chongrak Wachrinrat's leadership exemplifies his vision for KU: "A world-class university of learning, research, and innovation for sustainable development based on Knowledge of the Land."