

Chulalongkorn University Communication Center Announcement on Invitation to Join the Chula Media Fellowship Program for 2026

The Chulalongkorn University Communication Center (CCC) is accepting applications from journalists from international news agencies to receive financial support and participate in the Chula Media Fellowship Program. The objective is to create a network of foreign media and promote good relations between foreign media and Chulalongkorn University by offering the opportunity for foreign journalists to study at Chulalongkorn University and exchange experiences while gaining in-depth knowledge on topics and issues of interest regarding Thainess, Thai society and culture along with matters related to the university in terms of academics, innovation, and research as well as Chula students and their lifestyles. This is in line with the university's strategy to promote an atmosphere of lifelong learning and sustainability.

The Chula Media Fellowships has been offered and held consecutively since 2024 and will be held for the third time in 2026. It has received positive feedback from international media outlets and for the program that is being held in 2026 the Chulalongkorn University Communication Center has plans to expand its target audience to include Thai journalists working for international news agencies or English-language news agencies, aiming to strengthen and sustain the media cooperation network.

Number of applicants to be admitted

Four (4) foreign or Thai journalists affiliated with a foreign or English language news agency

Qualifications

1. A journalist affiliated with a foreign or English language news agency based in Thailand or abroad who has served as a journalist for at least one year to the date the fellowship application is submitted. The applicants will be classified as

- 1.1 Type A applicant (non-Thai citizen)
- 1.2 Type B applicant (Thai citizen)
- 2. Must have a good level of knowledge and proficiency in the English language.
- 3. Must receive approval or permission from the affiliated agency (foreign or English news agency) to take part in the project.
- 4. Must be able to take part in the project for its entire duration.
- 5. Should be able to take part in the activities organized by Chulalongkorn University.
- 6. Must take at least one of Chula's General Education (GenEd) courses and/or one course offered by one of the University's Faculties/ agencies.
- 7. Must strictly observe all official rules, regulations, and practices as well as those of Chulalongkorn University.
- 8. Should be able to be responsible for additional expenses aside from the financial assistance being provided—for example, international or domestic travel costs, travel insurance, or visa fees as well as the fees for opening a bank account for the deposit of fellowship funds and application fees for a tax payer's ID card.

Time period and venue

The project takes place at Chulalongkorn University and covers a period of six (6) months from January until June, 2026.

Details regarding activities

- 1. Participants attend the course(s) selected.
- 2. Participants take part in discussion and exchange on work methods and communication techniques between organizations and news agencies with CCC staff members.
- 3. Participation in field trips to observe Chula's operations and innovations within its educational area.

Financial Support

The Chulalongkorn University Communication Center shall cover the following items:

- 1. A monthly stipend (after deducting withholding tax) covering a period of 6 months (January-June, 2026) to be transferred into the account of the participant, the details of which are as follows:
 - For type A applicants (non-Thai citizens) a lump sum of THB 30,000 (thirty thousand Thai baht) per month
 - For type B applicants (Thai citizens) a lump sum of THB 15,000 (fifteen thousand
 Thai baht) per month
- 2. *Tuition and course fees at the University that the participant opts to enroll in (the full amount must not exceed THB 40,000 (forty thousand Thai baht) per person).
- 3. *Funding for excursions and/or participation in activities organized by the University (the full amount must not exceed THB 30,000 (thirty thousand Thai baht) per person).

*Note: Items 2 and 3 are sums that the Chulalongkorn University Communication Center handles directly with the relevant agencies within the University.

Conditions and obligations for participants

- 1. The fellowship is given free and there are no obligations attached.
- 2. The fellowship program reserves the right to cancel the fellowship in such cases where the participant fails to attend classes or take part in the University's activities as stipulated in the Qualifications.

Application period

Applications are accepted from now until November 30, 2025 (or any date that the CCC considers suitable to end the application period).

Application

Those wishing to apply for the fellowship must submit the application documents completed entirely in English with the following:

- 1. Supervisor Acknowledgement Form
- 2. CV

3. An introduction letter that includes the course(s) interested in taking and the topics that might be covered as a news scoop in Thailand.

Kindly send the application documents to <u>Pataraporn.R@chula.ac.th</u> by the final date of the application period. Once the application period is over, CCC will process the applications, carry out the selection and announce the successful candidate.

For further details, contact Ms. Pataraporn Rukpium, International Communication Division, Chulalongkorn University Communication Center via call +66 (0) 2218 3282 or e-mail: Pataraporn.r@chula.ac.th

Selection Criteria

All required documents must be correct and complete and must follow the conditions or criteria stipulated.

Announcement of the successful applicants

The CCC will announce the selection results on the Chula website and notify the affiliated news agency in writing along with the details of the participation in the project and the fellowship period.

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