



Student Mobility Scheme Experiences Report

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- **From:** Soochow University, Taiwan
- **To:** Christian University of Thailand
- **Time:** February 20th to May 19th , 2008
- **Scheme :** Association of Christian University and
College in Asia (ACUCA) Student Mobility Scheme



- **Goal of the Scheme:**

During the period of time, exchanging to Christian University of Thailand for one semester, I took three courses from Hotel and Tourism management: Hotel Business Management, Tourist Guides and Hotel Operations.

- **General Schedule:**

- ◆ 2008.02.19 Leave from Taiwan to Thailand
- ◆ 2008.02.21 Register
- ◆ 2008.02.25 First day of the school day
- ◆ 2008.03.05 Tourist Guides: Field trip to Bangkok
- ◆ 2008.03.09 Mini Marathon and Cha-Um Beach
- ◆ 2008.03.11 Take promotional photos for CTU
- ◆ 2008.03.13 Hotel Operation: Field trip to Hua Hin
- ◆ 2008.03.18 Hotel Business Management Midterm
- ◆ 2008.03.19 Tourist Guides: Field trip to Ratchaburi and Nakhon Pathom
- ◆ 2008.03.27 Hotel Operation: Heineken Brewery
- ◆ 2008.04.02 Tourist Guides Midterm
- ◆ 2008.04.07 "SAN SUM PHAN" Scheme: Welcome Freshman Party at
Cha-Um Beach
- ◆ 2008.04.09 Tourist Guides: Field trip to Kanchanaburi
- ◆ 2008.04.11 Hotel Business Management Midterm



- ◆ 2008.04.12-15 Songkran Festival (Thai New Year)
- ◆ 2008.04.20 Dormitory's trip to Dreamworld
- ◆ 2008.04.21-23 Tourist Guides: Field trip to Northeastern Thailand and Cambodia
- ◆ 2008.04.25 Hotel Operations Midterm
- ◆ 2008.04.28 Take promotional photos for orientation
- ◆ 2008.05.14 Tourist Guides Final Exam;
Take promotional photos for International College of CTU
- ◆ 2008.05.16 Hotel Operations Final Exam;
Farewell Party
- ◆ 2008.05.17-19 Farewell Trip to Pattaya
- ◆ 2008.05.19 Leave from Thailand to Taiwan

- **Detail of the schedule:**

- ◆ **2008.03.05 Tourist Guides: Field trip to Bangkok**

Visiting famous temples in Bangkok: Wat Phra Kaeo, Wat Taimit, Wat Arum, Wat Pho, we learned how to be a tour guide and dos and don'ts for tourists. Also, we had to have a presentation, introducing one to two sights of the field trip, next week.



- ◆ **2008.03.09 Mini Marathon and Cha-Um Beach**

Setting out at the daybreak, we attend "Mini Marathon", an annual activity of Christian University. After mini marathon, we have a trip to Cha-Um beach.



◆ **2008.03.11 Take promotional photos for CTU**

As a student of International College, I took promotional photos for recruiting students and new front-page of CTU's website.



◆ **2008.03.13 Hotel Operation: Field trip to Hua Hin**

College of Accountancy and Management visited Thai dessert factory and Hilton Hotel, Hua Hin.



◆ **2008.03.19 Tourist Guides: Field trip to Ratchaburi and Nakhon Pathom**

Visiting Floating Market at Ratchaburi and Rose Garden Riverside Hotel at Nakhon Pathom, we learned the skills from tour guides. Also, we had to have a presentation, introducing several sights of the field trip, next week.



◆ **2008.03.27 Hotel Operation: Heineken Brewery**

Visiting the Heineken Brewery, we finally understand the process of making beer. This will help the hotel school student know more alcohol beverage knowledge in F&B department of the hotel.



● **2008.04.07 “SAN SUM PHAN” Scheme: Welcome Freshman Party at Cha-Um Beach**

Department of Accountancy and Management annual activity: SAN SUM PHAN Scheme. All of the faculty and student, including Freshman, visited Cha-Um Beach and had some games and BBQ.





◆ **2008.04.09 Tourist Guides: Field trip to Kanchanaburi**

After visiting lots of sights of Kanchanaburi: The Jeath War Museum, War Cemetery, and The Bridge on the River Kwai, we had to have a presentation, introducing plenty of sights of the field trip, next week.



◆ **2008.04.12-15 Songkran Festival (Thai New Year)**

Songkran Festival is Thai New Year, one of the biggest festivals of Thailand. Several student of CTU took me to Khao San Road and Silom joining this magnificent festival.



◆ **2008.04.20 Dormitory's trip to Dreamworld**

One day trip to the theme park in Bangkok: Dreamworld



◆ **2008.04.21-23 Tourist Guides: Field trip to Northeastern Thailand and Cambodia**



We took three days and two nights to visit Northeastern Thailand and Cambodia, such as Thao Suranari Monument, and Prasat Sikhoraphum in Northeastern Thailand. Also, we leave from Si Sa Ket Province of Thailand to Prasat Preah Vihear of Cambodia. I was not only learning skill from tour guides, but also learning how to live with Thai Student.



◆ **2008.04.28 Take promotional photos for orientation**

As a sophomore student of International College, I took promotional photos with one of the freshmen for orientation and new homepage of CTU's orientation website.



◆ **2008.05.14 Take promotional photos for International College of CTU**

Representing a sophomore student of International College, I took promotional photos for International College's website.



◆ **2008.05.16-19 Farewell**



Before leaving Thailand, CTU gave a farewell party for me and the senior students. Also, we have a farewell trip from May 18 to 19. Lastly, May 19, the staffs of CTU send me to Bangkok Suvarnabhumi Airport back to Taiwan.



What I Have Learned From the Student Mobility Scheme

This period of time was the most unforgettable experience in my life. Not all of students have this kind of chance to exchange to a foreign country, learn with foreign students, and experience the foreign culture during the college life.

In the goal of my life, I want to change my studies from Sociology to Hotel Management. Unfortunately, at my school, Soochow University, don't have this criterion of study. So, Christian University of Thailand offers me this change to step into this grooming study. After learning three courses of Hotel and Tourism Management, I've made up my mind to further my studies in this field.

Lots of Taiwanese student likes to exchange to Western countries, such as United States of America, United Kingdom, or France, to name but a few. But I have a different idea with them. If wanting to devote myself in travel industry, I have to get the experience from an Asian country instead of an American or European country. That's why I choose to Thailand.

I was the first exchange student in this school, Christian University of Thailand; so they tried to treat me as nice as they can. So, I'm very lucky. During schooldays, I learned lots of knowledge in class. After class, I learned how to live and get along with Thai students. Also, I've learned some daily talks



or vocabulary of Thai.

In Thailand, the school provided lots of activities and field trips for students; they want their students to learn from the process, not only from lectures. That is an extremely difference from Thailand and Taiwan. During these periods of time, I had several experiences to have a field trip with my Thai classmates, especially the trip to Northeastern Thailand and Cambodia. It's a three days and two nights' trip, I have to learn how to live with Thai Student from day to night. We can tell apart the different customs and lifestyles, but we try our best to get along with each other.

I'm not only learning knowledge during these three months, but also making lots of friends in Thailand. They don't want any feedbacks or benefits, they just want to take good care of me, and make friends with me. Especially, one staff in International College Office called Jandy, she always took care of my life and study; and treated me as her little brother. Every time after I took the mid-term or final exam, she always asked her friends to take me to have a big meal in downtown for relaxing. Every time I felt happy or sad, she was the one listened to me and shared feeling with me. Also, her brother took me to attend the Songkran Festival (Thai New Year) in Bangkok. That was one of the most unforgettable memories of my life.

Lastly, I want to thank for ACUCA giving me this chance to exchange to Thailand. Also, Steffie in Soochow University helped me a lot to apply this exchange program; Jasmin, Ronnel, Jandy in Christian University of Thailand handled lots of things for me from school to daily life. And, everyone, I met during this period of time, makes my life more colorful. Thank you all.