



**Report and Assessment Form
for
MU Scholarships for Postgraduate Student Exchange Program 2015**

Instructions: Please complete all three sections of the form (*1- General Details, 2- Overall Satisfaction, and 3- Comments and Recommendations*). Any additional comments or feedback are welcome and will contribute toward the next phase of the program.

Please check (✓) the boxes as appropriate:

Part 1. General Details

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| 1.1 Full name | : | (Ms./ <input checked="" type="radio"/> Mr) <u>Wasin Koosomsuan</u> |
| 1.2 Faculty / Institute | : | <u>Faculty of Science</u> |
| 1.3 Level and Area of study | : | <input type="checkbox"/> Master Degree program in _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ph.D. Degree program in <u>Polymer Science and Technology</u> |
| 1.4 Nationality | : | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thai <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify..... |
| 1.5 Duration of Grant | : | <input type="checkbox"/> 8 weeks / 60Days <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 90 Days / 1 Semester /over |
| 1.6 Where did you hear about the MU Scholarships for Postgraduate Student Exchange Program? (You can select more than one item). | : | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MU Announcement <input type="checkbox"/> MU website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advisor/ staff at your home institute <input type="checkbox"/> Opinter Facebook <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify _____ |
| 1.7 Host University and date of study. | : | Name of the Institution: <u>Japan Advanced Institute of Science and Technology</u> Country: <u>Japan</u> Dates of participation: from (DD-MM-YY) to (DD-MM-YY) <u>02/09/2015 – 29/11/2015</u> |

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| <p>1.8 Type of activity at host institution</p> | <p>: <input type="checkbox"/> Internship-Professional Experience <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Internship-Research <input type="checkbox"/> Classroom-based <input type="checkbox"/> Others, please specify _____</p> |
| <p>1.9 Please check / the box indicating any support you received from the host university. (You can select more than one item).</p> | <p>: <input type="checkbox"/> Orientation for International Students <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation / Pick up service <input type="checkbox"/> Discounted Accommodation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify <u>Laboratory keycard</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cultural activities or excursions <input type="checkbox"/> Language Classes</p> |
| <p>1.10 Did you receive any transferable credits?</p> | <p>: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, a total of _____ credits <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> |
| <p>1.11 Please give a brief description of your study program</p> | <p>: <u>During 3-month visiting, I have been assigned the research work related to the study of shape memory behavior of polymer samples that I have prepared in Thailand. The work covered the study of physical properties at various temperatures and strain extensions. The effect of stress relaxation time before releasing the tensile loading was also investigated. It was found from the work that the samples exhibit outstanding shape memory behavior even at high deformation length and long stress relaxation time. The chain orientation and its role in facilitating crystallization was expected to be responsible for this behavior.</u></p> |
| <p>1.12 Please indicate any problems you encountered (if any) (i.e. language barriers, issues with food or accommodation etc). Also, please describe any solutions to these problems.</p> | <p>: <u>It seemed that I had difficulty in communicating with most of Japanese students there. I found only 4 students can speak English quite well, while the rest hardly speak English. So it is really hard to make friends with Japanese, whom inherently have introvert character. Besides, it was also hard to adjust myself to extremely cold weather during the late autumn til winter season. Furthermore, the living expense is so high in Japan so that I had to spend frugally in each month in order to survive (e.g. wearing thick cloth instead of turning on the heater, cooking food almost every meal myself). In my opinion, learning Japanese at fundamental level would help solve the language barrier problem. Moreover, the amount of budget should be higher for living in the country that has high living expense as Japan.</u></p> |

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| <p>1.13 Please indicate any benefits/skills you gained from the exchange program. (You can select more than one item).</p> | <p>:</p> | <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Strengthening your academic network</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enhancing your cross-cultural communication and understanding skills</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improving your personal and social skills</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Career development opportunities</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Others, please specify <u>Establishing connection with overseas professor</u></p> |
| <p>1.14 Please give a summary of the impact of the exchange on your current or future work/research.</p> | <p>:</p> | <p><u>This exchange program has provided me the opportunity to establish connection with the professor as well as so many academic friends in Japan. It also widens my experience in terms of scientific knowledge and advanced technology that could not be found in Thailand. Besides, my personal skills in conducting experiment and data analysis have been strengthened a lot, which will definitely be beneficial for my job career in the future. In addition, the new finding in my research work that I started there could help me develop the new knowledge, which can be exploited in wider range of application that what it used to be.</u></p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> |
| <p>1.15 Please give a short description of the grant that help support / reduce the expenditures for your overseas study.</p> | <p>:</p> | <p><u>The supporting grant that I received has actually helped me survive the 3-month visiting in Japan. By living frugally, not only can the 90,000 baht budget pay the airplane tickets, housing fee and other accomodations (e.g. electricity, water), but also help me pay other nessecities including foods, clothes (for winter season) and other fees such as laboratory bench fee and housing deposite.</u></p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> |

Part 2. Overall Satisfaction

Using the ranking scale described below, please check the boxes that reflect your opinion.

Ranking Scale: 5 = Very Satisfied. 4 = Satisfied. 3 = Neutral. 2 = Dissatisfied. 1 = Very Dissatisfied

| Items | Satisfaction Rate | | | | |
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| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 2.1 Overview of the study program | | | | | |
| - The Exchange/ Internship/ short-term program was well-organized and useful. | | | | ✓ | |
| - The Host University /institution was appropriate. | | | | ✓ | |
| - You had easy access to information resources (e.g. library and computer labs). | | | | | ✓ |
| - Your host university coordinator was helpful and always available to assist you. | | | | ✓ | |
| - The activity was memorable and useful. | | | | | ✓ |
| 2.2 Overview of the general service, provided by Allianz Global Assistance-AGA (Overseas Insurance) | | | | | |
| Did you use the aid or services provided by AGA in case of emergency (i.e. accidents/ hospital admission / medical treatment), during your stay aboard? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | | | | |
| If yes, please specify..... | | | | | |
| If yes, please rank the level of your satisfaction. | | | | | |
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Part 3. Comments and Recommendations

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| <p>3.1 Please list the three countries that you would like to visit as part of a future Student Exchange Program.</p> | <p>:</p> | <p>1. ...United State of America.....</p> <p>2. ...United Kingdom.....</p> <p>3. ...Japan.....</p> |
| <p>3.2 Please add any general or additional comments/suggestions you might have for the MU Scholarships for Postgraduate and Student Exchange.</p> | <p>:</p> | <p><u>I think the budget transfer process should take less time than what it currently is.</u> <u>If it is possible, I suggest that the international relation division is supposed to prepare some budget in advance since certain amount of budget for this purpose will basically be announced each year. The remaining budget could then be returned to the division of finance.</u></p> |
| <p>3.3 Any other recommendations?</p> | <p>:</p> | <p>-</p> |

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