

All virtual panels and events will be followed by a live Q&A with the presenters and filmmaker.

<p><b>MONDAY, October 16 – ABOUT US (2020) Film Screening</b></p>	<p><b>Time</b> 20.00 US CDT/08.00 BKK</p>	<p><b>Registration link</b> <a href="https://niu-edu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0tcOGtqD0iHtSaFUHDOX46cDz7fXKInefm">https://niu-edu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0tcOGtqD0iHtSaFUHDOX46cDz7fXKInefm</a></p>
<p>"About Us" (2020) - Film screening with filmmaker Dr. Chanintorn Pensute (Chiang Mai University) followed by a discussion and Q&amp;A.</p> <p>The Story of "Deaw," a disabled student from Mae Hong Son province who came to Chiang Mai University to pursue higher education. Deaw and his friends will be the ones who lead us to explore Chiang Mai province, and notably Chiang Mai University. In reality, what should the university and the city of Chiang Mai improve to become an inclusive and accessible place for everyone truly?</p>		
<p><b>TUESDAY, October 17 – Water Pollution in Thailand</b></p>	<p><b>Time</b> 20.00 US CDT/08.00 BKK</p>	<p><b>Registration link</b> <a href="https://niu-edu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZckdeytrzoqHtPQxsDnR2EGsOK-dPJ_vCi">https://niu-edu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZckdeytrzoqHtPQxsDnR2EGsOK-dPJ_vCi</a></p>
<p>Water Pollution in Thailand</p> <p>This panel will discuss pollution in waterways throughout Thailand. Pollution can impose economic burdens on society, from disease to food security, costing industry and causing environmental damage. Moreover, these problems will likely worsen with climate change. In Thailand specifically, agriculture uses 70% of water resources, especially groundwater, and Thailand leads global rice exports. The Central Plain, the nation's main groundwater reservoir, is experiencing concerning groundwater depletion, land subsidence, and seawater intrusion. Further research on water resources and management is needed. This panel will present research on microbial risks in peri-urban canals. It will examine the impact of wastewater treatment and discharge into water bodies. It will address groundwater issues in northern Thailand. It will investigate surface and groundwater contamination from illegal industrial dumping in eastern Bangkok and the Eastern Economic Corridor. Additionally, it</p>		

<p>will examine groundwater quality in Nakhon Pathom, Thailand. Organized by Melissa Lenczewski (Northern Illinois University)</p> <p>Presenters: Melissa Lenczewski (Northern Illinois University) Achara Ussawarujikulchai (Mahidol University) Schradh Saenton (Chiang Mai University) Praewa Wongburi (Mahidol University, co-presenter) Preeyaporn Koedrith (Mahidol University, co-presenter) Gam Parinda (Mahidol University)</p>		
<p><b>WEDNESDAY, October 18 – Politics and Diplomacy through the Ages</b></p> <p>Presenters: "Triumphs over Pheu Thai Landslide in Northeast Thailand: Understanding the Existence of Political Dynasties and Local Strongmen in the 2023 General Election" Suthikarn Meechan (Mahasarakham University)</p> <p>"EducationUSA Today and its Relevance in the Context of 190 years of U.S.-Thai Relations" Alma Green (US Embassy, Thailand)</p> <p>"Eulenburg Expedition to Siam and its photography in 1861-1862" Wilawan Bürgel (Hamburg University)</p> <p>"The Elephant Statue of King Chulalongkorn: A Diplomatic History Between Thailand and Indonesia in the 19th Century" Fariz Ilham Rosyidi (co-presenter, Airlangga) &amp; Andri Setyo Nugroho (co-presenter, Airlangga)</p>	<p><b>Time</b> 20.00 US CDT/08.00 BKK</p>	<p><b>Registration link</b> <a href="https://niu-edu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMrcu-vpzkT9Yc7SSTBKpY1pyM1d5zoCOk">https://niu-edu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMrcu-vpzkT9Yc7SSTBKpY1pyM1d5zoCOk</a></p>
<p><b>THURSDAY, October 19 – Dimensions of Thailand Today</b></p> <p>Presenters:</p>	<p><b>Time</b> 20.00 US CDT/08.00 BKK</p>	<p><b>Registration link</b> <a href="https://niu-edu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUvc-ihqzgpHtK8trqc3OPGaqHA-ArZ5h5h">https://niu-edu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUvc-ihqzgpHtK8trqc3OPGaqHA-ArZ5h5h</a></p>

<p>"The Soft but Durable Power of Molam: Survival During the COVID-19 Crisis" Prayut Wannaudom (Loei Rajabhat University)</p> <p>"Phra Malai: A Guidebook to Merit Making" Bonnie Brereton (Chiang Mai University)</p> <p>"Genetic Conservation of Endangered Species of Bamboo in Loei Province, Thailand" Marisa Phiromtan De Bels (Loei Rajabhat University)</p> <p>"A Snake and Ladder Game for Medical Microbiology and Immunology Learning: Can It Work?" Mingkwan Yingkajorn (Prince Songkhla University)</p>		
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