



Prince of Songkla University (PSU) Announcement
Re: Postdoctoral Fellowship of Fiscal Year 2026

In order to enhance research capacities, particularly increasing the number of international publications and supporting operations as a global and frontier university, PSU has established a postdoctoral fellowship with following criteria:

1. In this announcement

- “University” refers to Prince of Songkla University (PSU)
- “President” refers to President of PSU
- “Fellowship” refers to the fund to support a PSU postdoctoral fellow
- “Committee” refers to Postdoctoral Fellowship Administration Committee
- “Supervisor” refers to a PSU professor who provides guidance to a postdoctoral fellow
- “Postdoctoral fellow” refers to a researcher who has completed Ph.D.

2. The Fellowship

The university has allocated a budget from the government and Research Development Office (RDO) to provide a research fellowship with following details:

- 2.1 A monthly salary of 31,500 Baht for the first year, along with additional monthly compensation of 3,500 Baht.
- 2.2 An applicant who has met the requirements set in article 5.2.2 will receive additional 5,000 Baht per month in the following year.
- 2.2 Reimbursement for a round-trip travel expenses is provided for a foreign applicant whose permanent residence is outside Thailand. However, if the applicant does not complete 10 months of research per contract agreement the university will not sponsor such travel expenses.

3. Supervisor must be a PSU professor with following qualifications:

- 3.1 Has completed a doctoral degree or equivalent.
- 3.2 Has in-depth experiences and continuous research projects that are widely accepted among academic community, as evidenced by publications in the past 5 years, and must be a corresponding author of at least 5 publications indexed in Scopus and ranked in Quartile 1 or Quartile 2, (Year 2020-Present).
- 3.3 Is currently conducting a research project funded by external sources, with sufficient fellowship to support the postdoctoral researcher. The fellowship must cover the researcher’s working period for at least 6 months.

4. Applicant must have the following qualifications

- 4.1 Not over 45 years in age.
- 4.2 Is a Thai or foreign researcher who holds a doctoral degree and has graduated in the last 5 years (equivalent diploma or degree not accepted).
- 4.3 Be the first author of at least 2 research articles published in Scopus-indexed journals, with at least one article ranked in Quartile 1 or Quartile 2 during the last 5 years (Year 2020–Present).
- 4.4 The research topic of the postdoctoral fellow must be related to the supervisor's research scheme.
- 4.5 Be able to work full-time as a postdoctoral fellow.
- 4.6 Not currently receive any other postdoctoral fellowship from any other domestic or international institution.

5. Terms and Conditions

- 5.1 The supervisor has the responsibility to advise the postdoctoral fellow to successfully conduct the proposed research in accordance with the terms and conditions of this fellowship.
- 5.2 The postdoctoral fellow has the following responsibilities:
 - 5.2.1 The contract with the university is on a yearly basis with a maximum duration of 2 years per round.
 - 5.2.2 For the first round of fellowship
 - 5.2.2.1 In the first year, the postdoctoral fellow must be the first authors of at least 1 accepted research article indexed in Scopus, ranked in Quartile 1 or Quartile 2. If the postdoctoral fellow does not meet this requirement, the university will terminate the contract.
 - 5.2.2.2 In order to continue the Postdoctoral Fellowship fund in the second year, the fellow must provide research outputs as indicated in article 5.2.2.1, the articles also need to be evaluated and have to meet the agreement of the supervisor and the Postdoctoral Fellowship Administration Committee.
 - If the fellow successfully publishes 2 research articles indexed in Scopus as the first author, with at least 1 ranked in Quartile 1, or if 1 article is ranked in the Top 10% of the journal citation rankings (Scopus) in the first year, the university will add 5,000 Baht to the monthly salary for the second year.
 - 5.2.3 The supervisor who would like to receive the next fellowship, the performance needs to be evaluated by the Postdoctoral Fellowship Administration Committee at least 30 days before the expiration date of the contract. To qualify, the fellow must have published 4 research articles indexed in Scopus as the first author, with at least 2 ranked in Quartile 1. Alternatively, the fellow must have 2 articles ranked in the Top 10% of journal citation rankings (Scopus).
 - 5.2.4 Submit a progress report or a manuscript every 6 months, starting from the date the contract was signed. Failure to comply may result in discontinuation of the fellowship.

- 5.2.5 The fellow must be the first author of at least 1 research article per year published in an international journal indexed in Scopus and ranked in Quartile 1 or Quartile 2. The supervisor must be the corresponding author. All published articles must include the following acknowledgment (or an equivalent): “This research was supported by Prince of Songkla University under the Postdoctoral Fellowship Program.”
- 5.2.6 Other duties assigned by the supervisor.
- 5.3 Failure to comply with article 5.2.4 and 5.2.5 will result in a record of undelivered contract which will disable the applicant for applying this scholarship in the future. The supervisor shall be responsibility for the remaining tasks according to the agreement and shall not be eligible to receive a fellow until all tasks are delivered.
- 5.4 Performance of the postdoctoral fellow will be evaluated every 6 months by the supervisor and the Postdoctoral Fellowship Administration Committee. Failure to pass the evaluation may result in termination of the fellowship.
- 5.5 Each supervisor shall not receive more than 2 fellows with this scholarship. However, the supervisor can apply for a second scholarship after producing the required research outputs as indicated in article 5.2.2.1.
- 5.6 Intellectual properties and other benefits produced from the research during the fellowship must be handled under the university IP regulations.
- 5.7 To count as fellowship outputs, publications must list the fellow as the first author and the supervisor as the corresponding author.
- 5.8 Decision made by the Postdoctoral Fellowship Administration Committee shall be regarded as final judgment. Any appeal will not be considered.

6. Application Procedure

6.1 Both the supervisor and the postdoctoral candidate are required to submit the application forms as prescribed by Prince of Songkla University, as follows:

- Form PF2010A for the Postdoctoral Candidate Applicant
- Form PF2010S for the Supervisor

One complete set of the application must be submitted through the applicant’s faculty or affiliated unit to the Research and Development Office, Prince of Songkla University, Hat Yai, Songkhla 90110, Thailand (Tel. +66-74-28-6940). Further details and downloadable forms are available at: <https://research.psu.ac.th/research-fund>

6.2 In cases where the supervisor wishes to apply for fellowship but has not yet identified a postdoctoral candidate, the supervisor may first submit Form PF2010S for preliminary consideration by the Postdoctoral Fellowship Administration Committee. Upon approval of the supervisor’s fellowship, the postdoctoral candidate’s application (Form PF2010A) must subsequently be submitted to the Research and Development Office within three (3) months from the date of announcement of the approved fellowship.

7. Application Schedule

Applications are accepted three times per year, as follows:

Round Application Period

Round 1 October 1, 2025 – January 31, 2026

Round 2 February 1 – May 31, 2026

Round 3 June 1 – September 30, 2026

The results of each round will be announced within one month after the closing date of that round.

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