Assumption University

Theodore Maria School of Arts

Department of General Education

Course Outline 2-2026

Course : GE1416 LANGUAGE THROUGH THAI WAYS OF LIFE ภาษาผ่านวิถีไทย

Credit : 3 (3-0-6)

Status : Free Elective

Prerequisite : None

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Course Description : Learning Basic Thai in everyday life includes listening, speaking, pronouncing, reading short sentences, writing words, and understanding essential grammatical structures through activities centered on traditional Thai practices such as cooking, desserts, and crafts.

Course Objectives : The course aims to enable students to:

1. conduct basic oral communication with correct pronunciation.
2. comprehend simple spoken Thai essential in everyday communication.
3. learn Thai through Thai cooking, Thai desserts, and various handicrafts.
4. apply the knowledge of Thai language and culture in real-life.

Online Teaching-Learning Activities :

1. Lectures
2. Oral drills
3. Conversation
4. Listening & activities
5. Practicality

Course Components and Mark Allocation:

Classroom Language Performance	30%
Participation, attendance, and class disciplines	70%
Total	**100%**

Attendance Requirement:

At least 80% attendance is required. (Maximum absences = 6 times)

After 15 minutes, the attendance is taken as late attendance.

After 30 minutes, no attendance is given.

More than 6 absences will not be allowed to take the final examination.

Evaluation :

80 – 100% = A	63 - 67% = C+
78 - 79% = A-	60 - 62% = C
73 - 77% = B+	58 - 59% = C-
70 - 72% = B	50 - 57% = D
68 - 69% = B-	0 - 49% = W

Dress code for attending class and obtaining class attendance

To obtain permission to attend classes and be granted class attendances, undergraduate students are obligated to strictly comply with permissible classroom entry time stipulated in the provided course syllabus as well as the university dress codes. Ref: Assumption University of Thailand Regulations of Uniform and Dress Code for Day Program Students, issued on January 22, 2021 (https://sa.au.edu/)

Handout : Handouts on AULMS -- www.aulms.au.edu

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Study Plan and Schedule

Week 1 Course Orientation

- Fundamental of Thailand
- Basic Pronunciation of Thai Consonants, vowels, and tones
- Thai language system
- Syntax : Sentence structure

Week 2 Woven palm leaf fish shaped (Woven barb fish) สานปลาตะเพียน /sa:n pla: ta phian/

-Greeting someone

-Particles

-Personal Pronouns and Status in the classroom

-Phrases of Thanking and Apologize

Week 3 Banana leaf work - The use of banana leaves in daily life includes wrapping various types of sweets. Banana leaf basket and wrapper พับใบตอง /phap bai to:ng/

-Vocabulary and Syntax about Banana leaf workshop

Week 4 Banana leaf work - making packaging for food (various types of Krathong)

-Vocabulary and Syntax about Banana leaf workshop

Week 5 Beaded Keychain พวงกุญแจลูกปัด /phuang kun jae: lu:k pat/

-Vocabulary and Syntax

-Numbers 1-100, 1000, 10000

- Question word: How much?

Week 6 Making garland: Hanging decoration เครื่องแขวน-ทรงหน้าช้าง /khrueang khwae:n-na: cha:ng/

-Vocabulary and Syntax

-Numbers 1-100, 1000, 10000

- Question word: How much?

- Color and Adjective

Week 7 Making garland: Hanging decoration เครื่องแขวน-ทรงหน้าช้าง /khrueang khwae:n-na: cha:ng/ (cont.)

-Vocabulary and Syntax

-Numbers 1-100, 1000, 10000

- Question word: How much?

- Color and Adjective

Week 8 Making garland: Hanging decoration เครื่องแขวน-พวงมะโหตร /khrueang khwae:n-phuang ma ho:t/

-Vocabulary and Syntax

- Color and Adjective

Week 9 Thai artificial funeral flower ประดิษฐ์ดอกไม้จันทน์ /do:k mai jan/ ทรงดอกแก้ว (Orange jasmine) และทรงดอกชบา (Hibiscus)

-Vocabulary and Syntax

Week 10 Making garland: Hanging decoration เครื่องแขวน ทรงวิมานพระอินทร์ /khrueang khwae:n - wi ma:n phra in/

-Vocabulary and Syntax

Week 11 Making garland: Hanging decoration เครื่องแขวน ทรงวิมานพระอินทร์ /khrueang khwae:n - wi ma:n phra in/ (cont.)

-Vocabulary and Syntax

Week 12 Bag Charm ที่ห้อยกระเป๋า ทรงปลาปักเป้า (puffer fish shape)

-Vocabulary and Syntax

Thai herbal inhaler ยาดม/ยาหม่องน้ำ /ya: dom/ ya: mong nam/

-Vocabulary and Syntax

Week 13 Flower sachet บุหงารำไป /bu nga: ram pai/

-Vocabulary and Syntax

Banana in coconut milk กล้วยบวชชี /kluay buat chi:/

-Vocabulary and Syntax: Ingredient, cooking, taste

Week 14 Thai dessert: Coconut pancake ขนมบ้าบิ่น /kha nom ba: bin/

-Vocabulary and Syntax: Ingredient, cooking, taste

Thai dessert: Sticky rice flour with Taro in coconut milk บัวลอยเผือก /bua lo:y-phueak/

-Vocabulary and Syntax: Ingredient, cooking, taste

Week 15 Summary of Key Learning Points and Video Assignment: Students are required to create a video reflecting on the key knowledge and significant experiences gained from this course, their understanding of cultural differences and how to build connections across cultures, and how they can apply and integrate what they have learned into other courses.

February 19, 2027 : Last day to withdraw with "W"

LOCATION AND CONTACT INFORMATION

GENERAL EDUCATION (GE) office hours are Monday through Friday, 8.30 a.m. – 16.30 p.m.

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VISION

Assumption University of Thailand envisions itself as :

- an international community of scholars,
- enlivened by Christian inspiration,
- engaged in the pursuit of Truth and Knowledge,
- serving human society, especially through the creative use of interdisciplinary approaches and cybertechnology.

VISION 2000 FOR ASSUMPTION

UNIVERSITY GRADUATES

Assumption University of Thailand envisions its graduates as :

- healthy and open-minded persons, characterized by personal integrity, an independent mind, and positive thinking,
- professionally competent, willing to exercise responsible leadership for economic progress in a just society,
- able to communicate effectively with people from other nations and to participate in globalization.

Au UNIQUENESS

"An International Catholic University"

Au IDENTITY

• Ethics

• English Proficiency

• Entrepreneurial Spirit

THEODORE MARIA SCHOOL OF ARTS

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VISION AND MISSION

Vision

Theodore Maria School of Arts, Assumption University of Thailand envisions itself as an outstanding international school for business language education with:

• qualified and experienced lecturers

• applicative curriculums

• international teaching and learning environment and

•internship opportunities.

Mission

For students:

1. To acquire and applied business language skills

2. To be competent and sound individuals equipped with entrepreneurial spirit

Core Values

A = Adaptability

R = Responsibility

T = Thrivability

S = Sustainability

Quality Assurance Process

Students should understand and apply the Quality Assurance Process in their study. The Plan-Do-Check-Act Cycle (PDCA) provides an easy but effective approach for problem solving and managing change, ensuring that ideas are appropriately tested before the full implementation. It can be used in all sorts of situations and can be clarified as follows:

Plan: Define the current problem, process, and issue and establish objectives and processes required to deliver the desired results.

Do: Implement the plans and new processes developed.

Check: Monitor and evaluate the implemented process by testing the results against the predetermined objectives.

Act: Apply actions necessary for improvement if the results require changes.

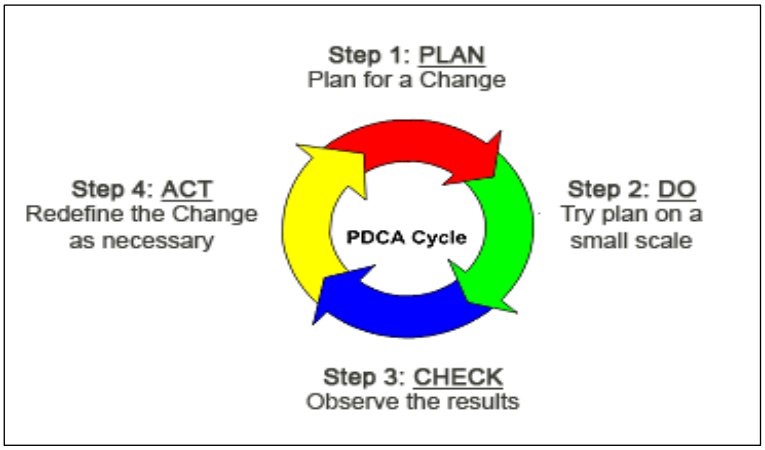


Figure 1: PDCA Cycle (http://www.swopehealth.org)

Plagiarism

Plagiarism is a serious academic offence, a serious breach of ethical conduct and is unacceptable student behavior. Students who plagiarize copying words or ideas without acknowledging the original writer of the words or ideas, will face disciplinary action. This will range from receiving an "F" in the subject to university suspension.

THEODORE MARIA SCHOOL OF ARTS

Advising and Counseling ……..

All Arts students (Business English, Business French, Business Chinese, Business Japanese and Chinese for Economy and Trade) must meet with their advisors before they pre-register for the …… semester from …….. Students who fail to come for their advising and counseling session will not be allowed to register for …… and …….. during the pre-registration period.

Names of advisors for semester …… will be posted on the faculty website (www.arts.au.edu), at CL11 and on the Department Boards at SM Bldg. Arts students are required to check their advisors' names every semester and meet with them before the pre-registration.