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2021 Annual Report



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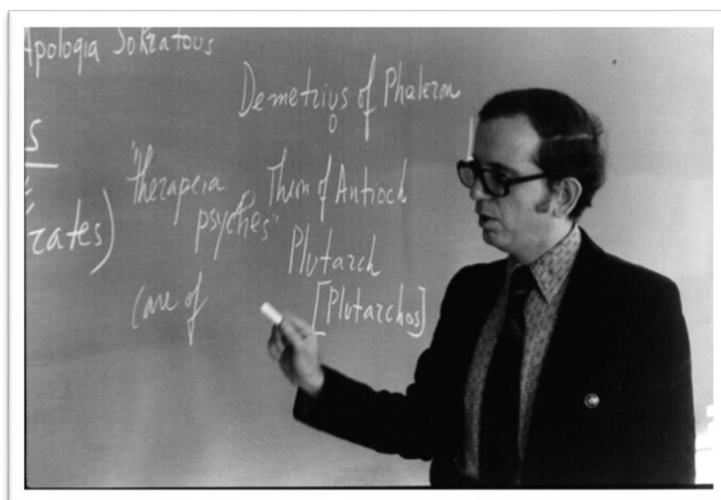
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History

Professor Dr. Kusuma Sanitwongse Na Ayutaya, Professor Emeritus in Political Science specialty in International Securities from Chulalongkorn University, daughter of Lieutenant General Dr. M.L. Ter Sanitwongse. Dr. Ter received Scholarship from His Majesty King Rama 9's mother to study Doctor in Medicine at USA. He came back and worked at hospital in Ubol Rachathani. Prof. Emeritus Dr. Kusuma absorbed major influence from her father. She is fully aware of the shortage of physicians and medical personnels in the rural region. She graduated from Tuft's University Massachusetts and received PhD from Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy. She established and became chairman of ASEAN Institutes of Securities and International Studies. In 1980, she went to visit her relative M.L. Pirapongse Kasemsri who was the ambassador in Japan. She met Professor Dr. Jason Roussos, friendship began and further progressed into the topic of establishing Scholarship Fund for Medical Students who are willing to work in the rural area.

Professor Dr. Jason Roussos, The first who initiated Medical Student Scholarship Program and the first donator.

Dr. Jason Roussos was born in Greece, studied Physics at Brandeis University in Massachusetts and received Doctor of Philosophy from Oxford University. Professor Dr. Jason Roussos's family had very close relationships with King Mongkut Rama the sixth of Thailand. Professor Dr. Roussos taught Philosophy in Japan and also was a visiting professor at Thammasart and many other universities in Thailand. In 1988, he was honored the Companion(Fourth class) of the Most Noble Order of The Crown of Thailand, Royal decoration, on June 7, 1988 by His Majesty King Bhumibol Rama the ninth.



TMWA's Medical Students Scholarship Program (TMWAMSSP)

After Professor Dr. Jason Roussos passed away, Dr. George Curuby became the executor of Dr. Jason Roussos' estate. Following Professor Dr. Roussos' wish, Dr. Curuby and his wife Mrs. Tomoko Kanno had contacted Professor Emeritus Dr. Kusuma for assistance in establishing Medical Student Scholarship Program for the rural area of Thailand. Therefore TMWAMSSP was initiated.

Dr. Curuby donated 4.6millions Thai baht from Professor Dr. Jason Roussos to Dr. Suwanee Raktham who's was the president of the Thai Medical Women's Association to start the program. Subsequently this program has grown tremendously and is well supported by many Thai citizens.



Studies Medicine in Thailand.

There are 21 governmental medical schools and 2 private medical schools that are accredited by the Thai Medical Council. This involves 6 years of schooling and 3 years of working in the rural area. The main criteria for selection are female medical students from rural area with plan to stay there after graduating, and students who are in need of financial support. Students will receive monthly stipends from 3,000 baht per month for 10 months a year and later is increased to 5,000 – 5,500 baht per month and tuition fee about 10,000 baht biannually. Students will receive Fund for 6 year until she graduated. TMWAMSSP will also provide free transportation to come for interview in Bangkok. In year 2019, TMWAMSSP also sponsored one of our students to join youth members of the Medical Women’s International Association in New York for 100 years anniversary of MWIA.

There was an exception in the year of 2004, year sixth medical student was the victim of tsunami, so TMWAMSSP sponsored both living expenses and tuition fee for her only three years.

Procedure

In order to pursue this project, by following Professor Dr. Jason Roussos’ inspiring philanthropist intention, TMWA joins up with Collaborative Project to Increase Production of Rural Doctors (CPIRD) of the Office of the Permanent Secretary Ministry of Public Health. This is an opportunity for students from rural regions including both community track and inclusive track from remote provinces such as Mae Hong Son, Nan, Phetchaboon, Tak, Nakorn Panom, Nong Bua Lumpoo, Bueng Kan, Sra Kaew, Yala, Narathiwat, etc. Selected students from CPIRD are submitted to TMWA, and TMWA committee will review applicants and ask students to come for interview. The final candidates will be announced before October and they will come to Association on October annual meeting to receive the award with paying gratitude to donors.

Progression of TMWAMSSP

In 2005, Dr. George Curuby, donated 100,000.00 \$ from Dr. Jason Roussos' Foundation as the ground breaking and 11 students received these funds. He came to TMWA annual meeting and was greeted by Dr. Suwanee Raktham who was the president of TMWA. Year after year, Dr. Curuby has put lots of effort for this program, not only donates his own capital, he also persuades several friends and families. In the meantime more and more Thai citizens also donate additional funds to this program. Additionally any capital that donated by Thai Citizens. Dr. Curuby would find his friends to matchup the donated funds. By the end of June 2022, year 17th of the program we provide total of 145 Scholarship, of which 58 were graduated, 83 still in schools, 3 changed faculty , 1 declined the Scholarship because finally family are able to provide support and one student is asking to switch medical school.

Main selection criteria for recipients of this including female students from rural area and intend to stay there after graduation, students from indigenous families, students' grade are not the main criteria. But majority of our students have good to excellent grade, some even receives award. Half of the recipients received Scholarship in high schools. Half of students came from farmers' families. One fifth lost one or both parents, or parents who separated or divorced. Some are with families' debts or illness. (see chart and table)

**Chart 1 Distribution of
Thai graduated scholars**

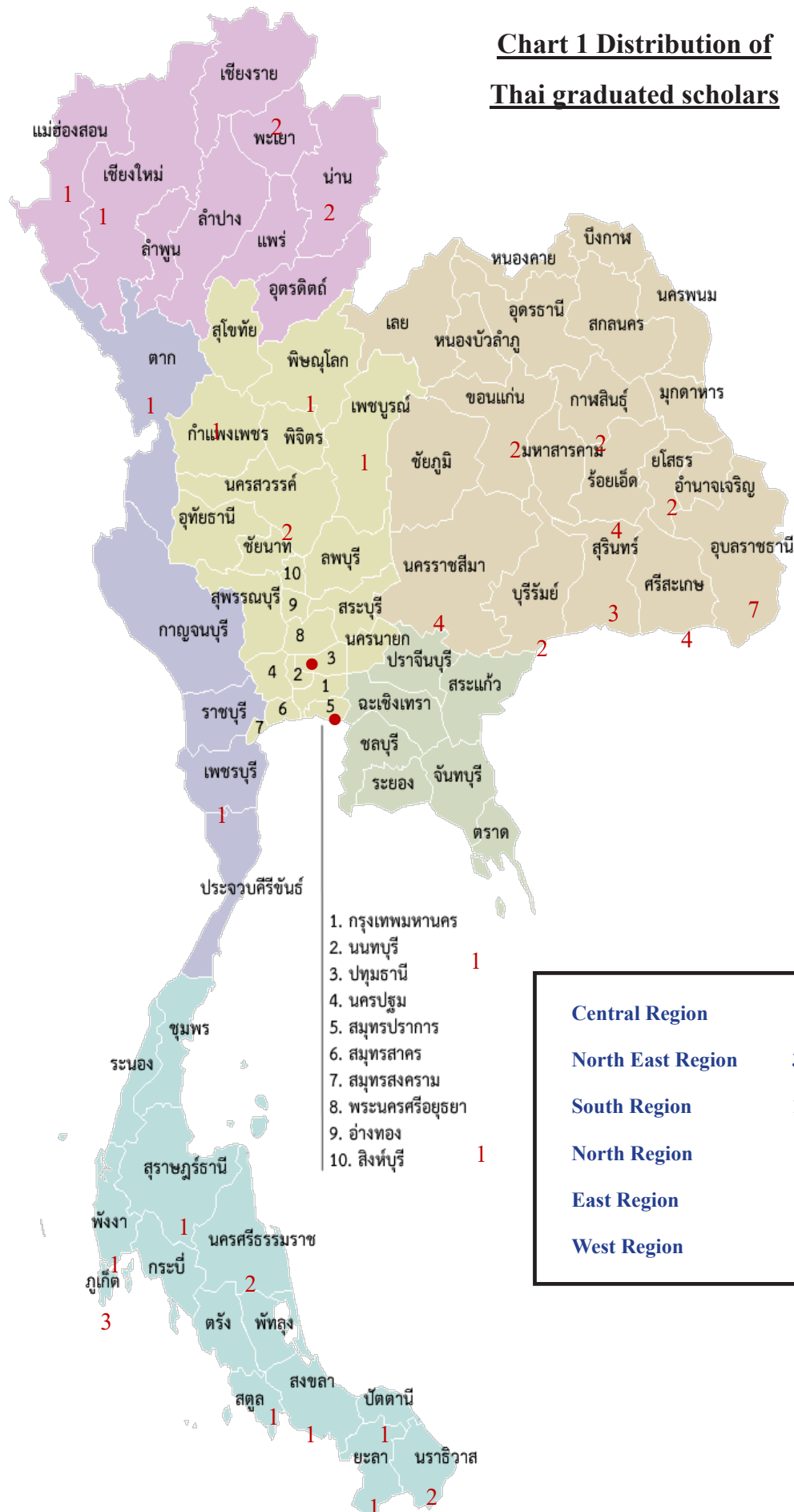


Chart 2 Distribution of Thai medical scholars



Table1 : Medical Students from 14 Medical Schools (Universities)

No	University	Graduate	Medical Students
1.	Ubon Ratchathani University	15	26
2.	Khon Kaen University	5	3
3.	Chiang Mai University	6	4
4.	Naresuan University	5	3
5.	Mahidol University	5	8
6.	University of Phayao	1	1
7.	Maharakham University	5	6
8.	Prince of Songkla University	4	3
9.	Suranaree University of Technology	4	6
10.	Thammasat University	1	13
11.	Prince of Naradhiwas University	2	0
12.	Burapha University	0	2
13.	Chulalongkorn University	1	0
14.	Walailak University	4	8
Total		58	83

Table 2 : Location of graduate scholars year 2022

No	Scholar Name	Year awarded	Hometown	Current Work at
1	Nusara Prathumthong	2016	Phra Nakorn Sri Ayutthaya	Phra Nakorn Sri Ayutthaya Hospital
2	Kwanhathai Prasittichai	2016	Roi Et	Roi Et Hospital
3	Warakorn Silathongkum	2016	Phuket	Wachira Hospital
4	Sutharat Sathukarn	2016	Sisaket	Sisaket Hospital
5	Natchaya Thongsri	2016	Ubon Ratchathani	Supasitthiprasong Hospital
6	Buitsarin Setsiripukdee	2018	Bangkok	Ratchaburi Hospital
7	Patthiya Silapat	2016	Buriram	Buriram hospital

Table 3 : Scholars's name year 2021

No	Scholar's Name	University	Hometown	Donors
1	Jinjuta Wongsiripattana	Prince of Songkhla	Trang	Ampun Assakul
2	Wisaruta Pasanta	Thammasat	Surat Thani	Sirisin Assakul
3	Darunee Siriamnat	Ubon Ratchathani	Unartcharoen	Pantipa Assakul
4	Piyathida Kittiyangkul	Chiang Mai	Nan	Pantipa Assakul
5	Nichnipa Kiddee	Suranaree University of Technology	Chaiyabhoom	KitkasemTipyanurakkul
6	Patsapon Munggontong	Thammasat	Lopburi	Sujittra Hongsakrai
7	Phenpraphatson Charoenying	Thammasat	Prajinburi	Supinda Binthasantr, MD
8	Thanyarat Wongpen	Ubon Ratchathani	Ubonratchathani	Supinda Binthasantr, MD
9	Kenika Junthai	Ubon Ratchathani	Ubonratchathani	Stone Family
10	Chanidapa Onpun	Ubon Ratchathani	Ubonratchathani	Stone Family
11	Nichathon Choksuchat	Ubon Ratchathani	Ubonratchathani	Stone Family
12	Sirirak Yodsing	Ubon Ratchathani	Srisaket	Stone Family
13	Suchonnakan Khotthakho	Ubon Ratchathani	Yasothon	Stone Family
14	Junthamane Watthanakul	Maharakham	Khon Kean	Stone Family
15	Waruntip Kaensuwan	Maharakham	Sakon Nakorn	Stone Family
16	Radeerat Yakit	Burapha		Stone Family
17	Niratchaporn jongchansittho	Naresuan	Petchaboon	Stone Family
18	Nattinan Pawansri	Suranaree University of Technology	Buriram	Stone Family

Financial Income received from Scholarship program from 1 January – 31 December 2021

Donors	Amount (Baht)
Lugkana Kumpalum	10,000.00
Benjaporn Panyayong	3,000.00
Rangsima Saenghirunvattana	100,000.00
Pathorn Jantrwatwong	2,000.00
KitkasemTipyanurakkul	78,350.00
Ampun Assakul, Sirisin Assakul	156,668.00
Dr. Kunchit Jamornman	78,500.00
Dr. Saksom Jamornman	78,500.00
Kan Thirawat	156,666.00
Sujittra Hongsakrai	53,000.00
Pantpa Assakul	156,700.00
Ampun Assakul, Sirisin Assakul	156,700.00
Associate Professor Monthira Tanthanuch	50,000.00
Paichit Hiranwanich	9,000.00
Professor Pimol Chiewsilp	10,000.00
Wipada Chaowakul	20,000.00
Jariya Manyuttien	470,000.00
Mother Li Gim Giew Tangkaravakoon Foundation	783,334.00
Stone Family	4,170,768.17
Supinda Binthasantr, MD	1,067,716.65
Choomsang-Wiwat Lohavichan,MD.	533,858.33
Ratchawan , MD.	10,000.00
Giffarine Skyline Unity (Thailand) Co. Ltd	78,300.00
other	10,647.66
Interest	113,071.78
Sum	8,356,780.59

Expenses of the scholarship program from 1 January – 31 December 2021

Expenses	Amount (Baht)
Mentor salary	89,000.00
Monthly living expense	5,170,000.00
Tuition fee	1,437,200.00
Books & other support	28,470.00
Report	21,314.40
Miscellaneous	9,393.00
Sum	6,765,377.40



The TMWA scholarship committee (2019-2021)

1.	Prof. Emeritus Dr. KhunNanta Maranetra	Advisor
2.	Jantra Chennavasin, MD	Advisor
3.	Dr.George Curuby	Advisor
4.	Mayura Kusum, MD	Advisor
5.	Pattariya Jarutat, MD	Advisor
6.	Assoc. Prof.(Clinic) Siraporn Sawasdivorn	Advisor
7.	Rangsima Saenghirunvattana, MD	Advisor
8.	Benjaporn Panyayong, MD	Head of committee
9.	Prof. Supranee Niruthisard	committee
10.	Assoc. Prof. Lumduan Wongsawasdi	committee
11.	Hathaimas Kothsompong, MD	committee
12.	Lalida Veeravithayanant, MD	committee
13.	LCdr.Porurtai Burapharat	committee
14.	Sasithorn Paojinda	Secretary



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