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## INVITATION TO APPLY

# Global Connect (GC) Scholarship The Regent's School-Thailand

**An accredited British international school whose graduates have been accepted to study at top universities, such as Oxford/Cambridge/LSE/Imperial College and Stanford/MIT/Wharton/UC-Berkeley.**

(2 or 4 Year Programme)

(For Academic year August 2012- June 2013)

**Two-Year** Scholarship for those who, after June 2012, still have 2 more years to finish high school,  
To Study for an International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma

or **Four-Year** Scholarship for those who, after June 2012, still have 3 or 4 more years to finish high school  
To study 2-year IGCSE plus 2-year IB Diploma

For Country\_\_\_\_\_

The Regent's Schools, Thailand, wish to announce through the websites of Ministry of Education, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Embassies or Consulates in your country, the opportunity of a first-class education in the English medium. Selected students aged 16 with strong recommendations from their school principal will be invited to apply for a two-year scholarship to study for an IB Diploma under the Global Connect Scholar Programme. Students aged 14 will be selected to study IGCSE subjects. The selection process involves a test in both English and Mathematics. Short-listed candidates will be invited for interview. Testing and interviewing will likely take place in the Capital City in April or May 2012. Qualified applicants will be notified well in advance. The final results of the selection will be announced in the later part of June 2012.

For each country, two winners each for IB and IGCSE study, if successful in tests and interview, will receive up to 90% scholarship. Less qualified candidates may be offered lesser scholarship. The winners will study at a top class international boarding school in Thailand, namely The Regent's School, either at Pattaya or Bangkok campus, at the discretion of the School. The value of the 90% scholarship of the tuition and boarding fees is approximately US\$ 20,000. That is, the full boarding fees are approximately US\$ 22,000 a year. The best 90% awarded scholar pays only 10% or US\$ 2,200 a year, and less qualified paying a higher percentage of school fees. Actual fee structure can be found on [www.regents.ac.th](http://www.regents.ac.th) under 'fees'.

There are currently nearly 1,000 students from 52 countries studying at The Regent's School-Pattaya Campus and approximately 550 from 42 countries at Bangkok Campus. An average of 65% of the student rolls at The Regent's Schools are international students. The Pattaya school is fully accredited by Great Britain's Ofsted inspectors through CfBT, Education Trust of UK and the Bangkok school is by Council of International Schools (CIS). Recent graduates were accepted to study at Oxford, Cambridge, LSE, Imperial College, King's College London, UCL, etc in the UK; Stanford, MIT, Wharton, UC-Berkeley in the US, for instance.

At present there are nearly 70 GC scholars at both campuses from Estonia, Slovakia, Czech Republic, Lithuania, Latvia and Armenia under this Global Connect Programme. Over 80 scholars have graduated since 1999.

### **Scholarship students will**

- have a once in a lifetime opportunity to study at a fully accredited international school whose graduates have received places from top universities in the world such as **Oxford, Cambridge, LSE in the UK and Stanford, Wharton in the US.**
- develop a sense of our '**global village**' and cultivate a world-view;
- enjoy living on a secure international co-educational campus in a beautiful tropical setting, health and safety policy is above all others;
- experience the personal challenge of living away from home for a number of years;
- have the opportunity to contribute to their home country's economic development by enriching the pool of expertise;
- experience at first hand the vibrancy of Eastern Asian and Thai culture (even learn a little Thai!);
- learn through the English National Curriculum and graduate with IB qualifications which have world-wide respect and value;
- improve their own English to fluency or near in the environment in which all main teachers are native English speakers, thus enhancing their personal prospects;

- have the opportunity of travelling both in Thailand and beyond through the Regent's enrichment programmes, such as the Round Square initiative ([www.roundsquare.org](http://www.roundsquare.org)), FOBISSEA ([www.fobissea.org](http://www.fobissea.org)) and Student Guild activities;
- make friends with students of internationally oriented families from over thirty different countries thus establishing a '**network for life**';
- increase their opportunities for education, whether in their home system or at universities abroad.

### **Who should apply ?**

The Regent's School's standard is high and its students are expected to have ability above the average of good schools in England, both academically and sociably. This is why our school was chosen to be a full member of a unique organisation called "Round Square" ([www.roundsquare.org](http://www.roundsquare.org)), which consists of only 85 outstanding schools in the world. HM King Constantine II is its Chairman and HRH Duke of York, Prince Andrew is among its patrons. All school members of the Round Square are committed to produce well rounded leaders out of their students. Therefore we encourage only those who want to be well rounded persons and who have both academic ability, i.e. preferably top ten percent in English subject and one other main subject and social skills as well as those who have keen interest in extracurricular activities such as music, sport, outdoor pursuits and community service, to apply. In addition, good role model setting is strongly expected of the scholars, i.e. GC Scholars are required to lead others by being good role models.

Applications for the scholarship competition are welcome from students with the following profile

- ✓ Date of birth: preferably

For IB Diploma Study: those who will still have **two more years** of high school remaining after June 2012

For IGCSE Study: those who will still have **three or four more years** of high school remaining after June 2012

- ✓ Very strong academic record (must be confirmed by the current school's Principal)
- ✓ Excellent written and spoken English (through Test and Interviews)
- ✓ Great social skills
- ✓ Very strong will to set good role model
- ✓ Talented in music, sport or drama (desirable)

### **How to apply ? (apply **before 13 April 2012**)**

Step 1. Fill out the online application at this link [www.regents.ac.th/scholarship](http://www.regents.ac.th/scholarship) or [www.regents.ac.th/GC.apply](http://www.regents.ac.th/GC.apply)  
Your application **cannot be processed** without you completing questions 5.1 and 5.2 and you need to give the name and e-mail

address of your current school's principal. You should follow up until you receive an acknowledgment from us.

Step 2. Please ask your school principal to e-mail to [chairman@regents.ac.th](mailto:chairman@regents.ac.th) to confirm your academic excellence, i.e. top 10% rankings in your English or Maths class. We will contact your principal to verify if you also have great social skills and have been a good role model.

Step 3. We will inform you of the place for test and interview which will be held in late April or May 2012 in your capital city.

For more information about The Regent's School, visit the website at [www.regents.ac.th](http://www.regents.ac.th)

For further details about the competition, contact me, directly at [chairman@regents.ac.th](mailto:chairman@regents.ac.th) or Mrs Kirsty Paiboontanasin, the GC Programme Director at [GCdirector@regents.ac.th](mailto:GCdirector@regents.ac.th)

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Chairman, World Federation of Consuls Membership Committee  
Board Director, World Federation of Consuls ([www.ficacworld.org](http://www.ficacworld.org))

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\*IB Diploma Programme ([www.ibo.org](http://www.ibo.org)) is a two-year course leading to examinations taken at the end of Y13 (Grade 12) when students are 18+. The IB Diploma is an entry qualification to university in most countries and qualifies to study 3-year degree programmes in the UK without having to take any entrance exam or SAT test. A soft copy of our in-house handbook detailing the curriculum and the variety of subjects offered next year can be obtained from [GCdirector@regents.ac.th](mailto:GCdirector@regents.ac.th)

\*IB Diploma's highest possible score are 42 points plus 3 bonus points for a very good extended essay. Oxbridge and Ivy League universities normally consider applicants who score 38 and higher. This year's expected highest IB score is 44 or 45.

\*Recent graduates received many world's best universities' offers including Oxford, Cambridge, LSE, Imperial College, and Wharton, UC-Berkeley, Stanford. This is indeed a very outstanding record.

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