



Two full MA degree scholarships available

Public Authority, Conflict and Forest Governance in Myanmar

The Master of Arts in International Development Studies (MAIDS) Program in the Faculty of Political Science, Chulalongkorn University is collaborating with the Department of Food and Resource Economics (IFRO), Copenhagen University to offer two full scholarships on the MAIDS program for candidates interested to undertake their thesis research on the topic “Public Authority, Conflict and Forests in Myanmar.”

The successful candidates would be from Myanmar and will contribute towards a wider research project on Public Authority, Conflict and Forests in Tanintharyi Region and Karen State between IFRO, MAIDS and other partners including: the Karen Environmental and Social Action Network; and the Kawthoolei Forestry Department. The project examines how public authority is produced through the governance of land, natural resources, and people in areas of prolonged armed conflict and contested statehood. Drawing on concepts in political ecology, it aims to contribute to wider debates about the impact of natural resource governance on rural livelihoods and state-building.

Candidates must submit their application to the MAIDS program and indicate within the application that they are applying for the scholarship.

The successful candidates will have some or all of the following:

- Research experience, preferably in Myanmar in Tanintharyi region and/or Karen State, and in natural resource governance.
- Background knowledge of the political context of Myanmar
- Knowledge on local development challenges in Myanmar, including on indigenous rights.
- Have language skills in Burmese and Karen

The scholarship covers a monthly stipend, full course fees, and research and conference costs. The scholarships are offered with the support of DANIDA. The MA-level study will commence in August 2023 for one year. The successful candidates will be co-supervised in their thesis research by Faculty members from MAIDS and IFRO.

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