

The Graduate School, Prince of Songkla University
The Required Standard of Publications by Graduate Students

The Graduate School, Prince of Songkla University has a policy requiring graduate students to publish research papers related to their thesis in reputable journals that are listed in national and international research databases. The journals should either have been accepted by the Office of the Higher Education Commission (OHEC), or have an external editorial board, a peer review process, and meet the approval of the respective faculty committee as fulfilling the graduation criteria established in the Prince of Songkla University graduate studies regulations.

In order to improve the quality of works published by graduate students, Prince of Songkla University Graduate School will reject all articles published in journals which were listed in *Beall's List: predatory open access publishers* at the time of their publication (the up-to-date list can be checked at: <http://scholarlyoa.com/publishers/>). Such articles will not be considered as part of the research dissemination requirement for successful graduation.

This regulation applies to all currently registered and future graduate students.

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