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**ENROLLMENT NOTICE FOR INTERNATIONAL LEARNERS
DOCTOR LEVEL (2024 – 2025)**

I. Doctoral programs delivered by Ho Chi Minh City Open University (HCMCOU):

1. Doctoral programs:

- Doctor of Philosophy in Business Administration
- Doctor of Philosophy in Economics
- Doctor of Philosophy in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
- Doctor of Philosophy in Civil Engineering
- Doctor of Philosophy in Finance and Banking
- Doctor of Philosophy in Biotechnology
- Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science
- Doctor of Philosophy in Business Law
- Doctor of Philosophy in Accounting (expected)

2. Admission requirements:

2.1 Academic requirements:

- A master's degree or a bachelor's degree in a relevant applied major is awarded with honors;
- Having research experience demonstrated through a research-oriented master's thesis, or published articles and scientific reports, or at least 2 years (24 months) of work experience as a lecturer or researcher at educational institutions or scientific and technological organizations;
- Having a research proposal and a projected study and research plan for the entire program.

2.2 Language proficiency requirements:

- The Vietnamese proficiency framework for foreigners defines Vietnamese proficiency as B2 (level 4) or above. If students do not meet the Vietnamese language requirements, the school will organize a Vietnamese preparatory class before entering the official program, either online or in person at the school's center.;



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- Foreign applicants must meet the requirements for the TOEFL iBT English certificate from 79 and above or the IELTS certificate (academic) from 5.5 and above. For Theory and Methodology of English Language Teaching major, learners are required to have an IELTS certificate (academic) from 6.5 and above delivered by an Educational Testing Service that is internationally recognized within 2 years (24 months) up to the registration date in a second language as determined by HCMCOU.

3. Enrollment documents:

- Scanned passport;
- Scanned bachelor/master/ degree;
- Application form enrollment (as sample);
- At least 1 year of working experience in equivalent sectors;
- Scientific background;
- Recommendation letter of 01 associate professor/ doctor;
- Research outline (as sample);
- Vietnamese/ English Certificate (if any).

4. Program duration:

- 03 years.

5. Intakes:

- May and October annually.

II. Scholarship:

1. Tuition fees and a Vietnamese learning course Scholarship:


HCMCOU offers 60 tuition scholarships and Vietnamese language course scholarships for Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctoral programs.

✓ **Scholarship value:**

- The scholarship covers 100%; 75%; 50% of the tuition fees for the entire 3-year Doctor's program (The Admissions Council will review each application in detail to make a decision.).
- 100% of the tuition fees for one year of the Vietnamese learning course.

2. Open Talent Scholarship:

The scholarship is considered and granted to the learners during their study duration at Ho Chi Minh City Open University, specifically 03 years for Doctor Level.



PhD candidates must publish two research articles related to their research results in international journals, indexed in Scopus, ISI, or equivalent standards.

✓ **Requirement:**

- Graduated from a university with a major or a closely related field according to the regulations;
- For academic programs conducted in Vietnamese, learners must have a minimum proficiency level of 4 in Vietnamese according to the Vietnamese Language Proficiency Framework for Foreigners;
- For academic programs conducted in English, there are no language requirements for native English speakers or for those who graduated from an English-taught university program. In other cases, a minimum TOEFL iBT score of 79 or an IELTS score of 5.5 is required. For the field of English Language Teaching Methodology, an IELTS score of at least 6.5 is required;
- Pass the face-to-face interview with the University's Scholarship Council.

✓ **Scholarship value:**

- The scholarship covers 100% of the tuition fees for the entire 3-year doctor's program.
- The number of scholarships will be decided by the Admission Council each year.

3. Fellowship Scholarship:

✓ **Entry requirement:**

- Be learner of Doctor level;
- Agree to join teaching assistants for assigned classes per year or research assistants in English;
- Application form is in accordance with regulations;
- Pass-the-face to face interview with the university's Scholarship Council.

✓ **Scholarship value:**

- Full-ride scholarship during the study program as prescribed.
- Living expenses Support Scheme: 6.5 million VND per month.

III. Admission process:

- Step 1: The candidates read carefully the enrollment notice of Ho Chi Minh City Open University and prepare documents as requested.



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- Step 2: The candidates access the enrollment section of the website, <http://en.ou.edu.vn>, and submit their admission documents online as a sample.
- Step 3: The enrollment council considers the documents provided by the candidates.
- Step 4: The Enrollment Council gives an admission notice the successful candidates. We enclose a letter of enrolment confirmation and student ID. The scholarship is contingent upon the student's tuition payment and successful completion of the admission process.
- Step 5: The learners use their student IDs to pay the tuition fee as instructed.
- Step 6: The learners contact to the student services department of Ho Chi Minh City Open University to complete the visa application for entry into Vietnam for learning as prescribed.
- Step 7: The learners access <http://en.ou.vn> to refer to the study guides and to carry out online Vietnamese learning procedures.
- Step 8: The learners begin their concentrated learning as instructed by Ho Chi Minh City Open University.
- Step 9: Pay scholarships to qualified students.

IV. Contact information:

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