



The Preparation Center for Languages and Mathematics (PC), formerly known as the Pre-College Program, has been providing a foundation for those students who need to improve their English skills to the level required for study in an English-medium degree program. Each intensive ten-week level is designed to help students practice all the appropriate English skills required to do well at Mahidol University International College (MUIC) or any other international institution. The aim of PC is to prepare students for entrance to MUIC or English-medium degree programs in other universities, both in Thailand and abroad.

❖ Admissions via the PC Direct Track

Q1: What is the PC Direct Track?

A1: The PC Direct Track is offered to applicants who have an official English proficiency score which is below the MUIC requirements. However, their scores qualify them to study at PC to improve their English and Mathematics before pursuing further studies at MUIC. They **can apply directly** to study at PC without taking the MUIC entrance exam.

Q2: What are the application requirements for the PC Direct Track?

A2: Any applicant wishing to join the PC program via the PC Direct Track must:

- High school completion with certification showing equivalency to Thai high schools.
- IELTS score of at least 4.5, TOEFL iBT score of at least 32, PTE score of at least 30, or DET score of at least 55
- For further information, please visit <http://www.muic.mahidol.ac.th/>

Q3: What if an applicant does not possess an IELTS, TOEFL iBT, PTE test score?

A3: It is a minimum requirement that an applicant must have one of these test scores. Applicants may take the TOEFL iBT or DET online from home.

Q4: If students possess GCE 'AS' Level and/or GCE 'A' Level or GED certificates, can they apply?

A4: Yes.

- **For GCE:** Applicants who take 'AS' Level and/or 'A' Level as a Private Candidate must submit GCE 'AS' Level and/or GCE 'A' Level at least 3 different subjects, with a minimum Grade of C. Applicants also have to submit an official high school transcript of grade 10 or its equivalent with at least 1 academic year. Updated information must be checked at <http://www.muic.mahidol.ac.th/>
- **For GED:** Applicants must pass 4 subjects with a minimum score of 600 and have an official high school transcript for grade 10 or its equivalent with at least 1 academic year.

If students have other questions, please feel free to send an email to icpc@mahidol.ac.th.

Q5: How do students apply for the PC program via PC Direct Track?

A5: Applicants can find details about the application documents and download the application form at <http://www.muic.mahidol.ac.th/>. Applicants are required to submit the completed application documents twice as follows: Send all of the scanned documents to icpc@mahidol.ac.th for initial verification. The office will contact the applicants shortly. The original documents shall be submitted to the PC office when the Covid-19 situation is improved.

Q6: How does the PC Direct Track differ from the PC Regular Track?

A6: See below table:

Process	PC Regular Track (via MUIC Admissions)	PC Direct Track
Application	Apply to take the Entrance Examination at MUIC Admissions during the period specified by MUIC Admissions.	Apply to PC directly <u>during</u> the PC direct track <u>Application period</u> and submit the documents to icpc@mahidol.ac.th .
Entrance Examination	Take the MUIC Entrance Examination, the results of which will determine whether students are eligible to be interviewed for either MUIC or PC.	Sit the entrance test organized by PC consisting of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English Essay • Mathematics (as required by major) • Interview Online entrance tests are available.
Exam/Placement Test Fee	Application fee 1,000 THB Writing 500 THB Math 500 THB	Placement test fee 1,500 THB
Announcement of Results	The MUIC website	The final PC Admission results for the PC Direct Track will be announced via the applicant's email.
Arrangement of classes	Students from both tracks will study together after they are placed into the most suitable PC level.	

Q7: Will I also be eligible to be interviewed to study at MUIC by taking the entrance test at PC?

A7: No. If students possess the required English proficiency scores for direct entry into MUIC, they may wish to take the MUIC entrance examination.

Q8: When I complete the PC program, can I automatically enroll at MUIC?

A8: Yes. Students who pass PC4 or MP courses and meet the MUIC admissions requirements are accepted to study at MUIC

❖ Tuition Fees

Q9: What is the tuition fee for the PC Program and how do students pay the tuition fee?

A9: Once accepted to PC, students are required to pay the tuition fee of 40,400 THB per term. This amount does NOT include the payment for the mathematics course, overseas student fee of 5,000 THB, and uniform fee of 200 THB.

Q10: How much extra do I need to pay for a PC mathematics course?

A10: Students will need to pay an 8,000 THB fee for a PC mathematics course if the entrance test results show that they must register for math.

❖ **Visa Requirements** (for non-Thai /overseas students)

Q11: What are the visa requirements for PC non-Thai/overseas students?

A11: Once students have received their placement results and are accepted to PC, they will be advised to apply for a visa at the Thai Embassy/Consulate in their state or province in their home country. Kindly follow the advice:

Option 1 (Recommended): Enter Thailand with a **Tourist (TR) visa**, then request a **student visa (non-ED visa)** from Mahidol University after arrival.

1. After the entrance results are announced by email, students will receive the invoice slip for PC Registration. Please make a payment within the specified period.
2. Enter Thailand with a **Tourist (TR) visa**, then PC will prepare an acceptance letter, a visa application letter, and related documents for the visa type change.

Option 2: Enter Thailand with a **Non-Immigrant (ED) visa**.

1. Review the **Non-Immigrant (ED) visa** application requirements and conditions set by the Thai Embassy/Consulate carefully as the requirements may differ in each location.
2. After the entrance results are announced by email, students will receive an invoice slip for PC Registration. Please make a payment within the specified period. Once PC has received the payment slip, an acceptance letter from PC will be issued to the applicant by post within 2 weeks. This acceptance letter is necessary to apply for a visa. *This service may not be available if the visa application cannot be processed before the quarter starts, or if the visa processing times are inadequate.*

OR those residing in Thailand will be advised to apply for a Visa Type Change to a Non-Immigrant (ED) visa.

Q12: What should I do if my Mahidol University student visa is going to expire?

A12: Students must contact the PC office at least **1 month** before the expiry date of their student visa to receive information and important documents regarding a **visa extension**. Students must then visit the nearest Thai Immigration Office to have their stay extended.

Q13: If I later choose to study at another university/college, what should I do to my Mahidol University student visa?

A13: You must contact the PC office to receive a **visa cancellation letter from Mahidol University**. This document is required to apply to study at another university/college.

❖ **Supports for PC students**

Q14: Am I required to live on campus?

A14: It is not necessary to live on campus. Students may look for accommodations of their own choice. There are a number of dormitories at different rates available near campus. Students can visit [this link](#) for a complete list of accommodations near the Salaya campus.

Q15: Does PC provide any student welfare or student support?

A15: PC provides a wide range of welfare and support for students:

- Accident insurance with coverage of 200,000 THB and 10,000 THB for medical treatment at certified hospitals
- Student visa documentation and Counseling services
- For other types of insurance, such as health and travel insurance, it is suggested that overseas students select insurance that meets their specific coverage needs and purchase it before coming to Thailand.

❖ **Further Information**

For further information, please submit your request to PC office via email: icpc@mahidol.ac.th OR via office mobile: dial (66) 83 995 7107, (66) 89 550 7478 (from 08:00 am. to 05:00 pm.).