Welcome to Thai Nguyen University!

Thai Nguyen University (TNU) is an educational community of vibrant and learned scholars, professionals, friends, and students. Since its establishment in 1994, TNU has become one of Vietnam’s leading regional Universities. It is a conglomeration of colleges which were established earlier as separate institutions of learning. The unification of these colleges into a university system continues the long history of Thai Nguyen being a centre of learning in the region. For nearly 17 years TNU has grown and blossomed in the performance of its functions with a vision to move towards the future with dynamism in the pursuit of excellence. TNU is mandated to educate and train young students and older individuals to the highest academic and professional standards so they may respond to the human resource needs of our country, conduct research on management and science and technology and make these beneficial to our people, and more importantly, propose solutions for sustainable development policies.

Our curricular offerings reflect close working links with local and international business and industry so that our standards are relevant to societal needs. In our efforts to become more globally focused while continuing our emphasis on meeting regional needs, TNU is actively promoting cooperation with international counterparts in order to stimulate technology and share expertise, and to ensure mutual benefits. It is our goal to become one of the educational leaders of the movement to make Vietnam a vital participant in the global community, while continuing our leadership role within Vietnam and the Southeast Asia.

With our outstanding programs for learning and service, I invite you to come and visit our University which offers excellent service and a great environment of learning that extends beyond the walls of our classrooms. You will find our University to be inviting, warm, supportive, and friendly.

Please accept my warmest welcome to become a part of our University family and to share our ambitions and bright future.

Come and soar high with Thai Nguyen University!

Prof. DANG KIM VUI
The conference is an initial action for the success of implementing National Project of Foreign Language 2020

Current Events

International Conference on “Improving the English Teaching Capacity through Action Researches and Innovation Practices” Held

Thai Nguyen University (TNU) in collaboration with the Embassy of the United States of America in Vietnam and the National Foreign Language Project 2020 organized a two-day International Conference on “Improving the English teaching capacity through action researches and innovation practices”. The international conference attracted the attention and interest of many teacher-delegates from the different parts of the Northern provinces that was held at the Learning Resource Center of the University on May 12 and 13, 2012. This conference was really a significant endeavor of Thai Nguyen University in collaboration with the Embassy of the United States of America in Vietnam, and the National Foreign Language Project 2020 in contributing to the scientific capacity building and development of English teachers. Along with the newly established, Human Resources Development Center for Foreign Languages, TNU would like to confirm the efforts and determination of the Party Committee, Board of Directors TNU in the enhancement and standardization of the foreign language competence of the staff, the lecturers, and students of the University.

World Bank Director visits Thai Nguyen University

The World Bank Director in Vietnam, Ms. Victoria Kwakwa, was accorded a warm welcome by the highest officials of the Thai Nguyen University headed by the University President, Dr. Dang Kim Vui in the afternoon of May 13, when she had a visit to Thai Nguyen University.

During her visit to TNU, a meeting was arranged to discuss the possibility of developing a collaborative partnership between the World Bank, Vietnam and the Thai Nguyen University. The TNU President Dr. Dang Kim Vui delivered a welcome message and expressed his pleasure to welcome the World Bank of Vietnam Director. Then, President Dr. Dang Kim Vui presented a brief introduction about the significant achievements of the university during the past few years.

Immediately after the meeting, Ms. Victoria Kwakwa had an ocular visit to the Learning Resource Center of the University which is considered one of the priority projects for development of the University.

The meeting was attended by the Leaders and Representatives of the different University unit-members and Specialized Departments, as well as the Department Head of the Learning Resource Center.

Ms. Victoria Kwakwa, WB - Viet Nam Director, expresses her strong desire to assist TNU’s development through the assistance of the World Bank.
Thai Nguyen University organizes Training Course on Improving Capability of Managing International Cooperation

Thai Nguyen University (TNU) organized a training on capacity building for international cooperation development (ICD) for leaders and professionals of the university and its member units who are directly involved in international cooperation which was held at the TNU Conference Hall on April 6, 2012.

The Deputy Director of the International Cooperation of the Ministry of Education and Training (MoET), Dr. Pham Chi Cuong, discussed about the Principles and Management of the International Cooperation Development (ICD), giving emphasis on the management of outbound delegations to other countries, management of finances for international project, management of affiliate programs, international training, the principles in the negotiation and signing of cooperation of agreement and dissemination of new legal documents related to international cooperation.

Thai Nguyen University has put its extra effort with strong determination in the expansion of international exchanges which will contribute significantly for the enhancement of the education system of TNU and gradually will be integrated with the world universities with prestige and quality.

Colorful Chinese, brilliant culture

"Colorful Chinese, brilliant culture" was the subject of the eloquence contest, within the framework of extra-curriculum activities of the students with Chinese majors, held at the Foreign Language Faculty – Thai Nguyen University (FLF – TNU) in the morning of April 22, 2012. The contest was participated in by the student-representatives from the different departments and an approximately more than 500 students of Chinese Language at FLF – TNU attended the event.

The contest was categorized into four segments, namely: knowledge on Chinese culture, writing, speaking, and comedy plays. The main theme of contest was focused on the country, people, and culture of China.

The contestants displayed their intelligence and agility during the competition which was an encouragement to student populace in enhancing their skills and knowledge in Chinese Language. The competition was characterized with an exciting and motivating atmosphere among the contestants and the crowd as well.

After the contests, the organizers presented the awards to winners who garnered first prize, second, third, and fourth prizes.
Faculty & Staff

Thai Nguyen University is composed of 3,500 workforce (faculty and staff) and over 86,000 students. Among the workforce, 90 are Professors and Associate Professors, while more than 250 faculty members are Ph.D. holders and over 1,000 hold Master’s Degree. The faculty and staff of the university are responsible for training the student population of over 1500 postgraduate and over 85000 undergraduate students.

Promotion

Female Faculty of Thai Nguyen University accorded Kovalevskaia Award

Dr. Le Thi Thanh Nhan, Deputy Rector of Thai Nguyen University – College of Science, was bestowed a Kovalevskaia Award as “Woman Scientist” in recognition of her outstanding achievements and contributions in the field of natural sciences which was held in Vietnam in 2011.

During the award ceremony in Hanoi, Dr. Le Thi Thanh Nhan was interviewed and she shared her encouragement to female teachers and students in scientific research. Further, Dr. Nhanh mentioned the difficulty of women in working in science especially women assigned in the mountainous area. It is a fact that scientific research, especially for married women is a challenge for labor time because aside from the social work, women must assume a woman’s natural role for the family.

Characterized by intelligence, elegance, and a paragon of Vietnamese women, Assoc. Professor Dr. Le Thi Thanh Nhan has actually conquered all her relatives, colleagues and those who are in close contact with her. She is a shining example of a public servant who showed her dedication and passion for work. She serves as a driving force of the entire faculty and the University female students in this scientific research career.
Academic Developments

Academic programs

To meet the demand of training and education throughout the region, Thai Nguyen University has diversified its training courses to include undergraduate and postgraduate levels.

For its undergraduate curriculums, in addition to core courses, TNU also focuses on developing different types of training to cater to the human resources of mountainous area. In addition to domestic training, TNU also implements a number of advanced programs and joint training programs with international institutions to enhance the quality of its curriculum. At present, the university has over 120 Bachelor programs and for its postgraduate programs, The University has conducted more than 40 Master’s programs and nearly 20 Doctoral programs in 2011.

Fields of Study

Thai Nguyen University offers a wide range of programs for undergraduate and graduate levels in various fields such as Basic Natural Sciences, Education and Teacher training, Social Science and Humanities; Engineering, Information Technology, Agriculture and Forestry Science, Economics and Management and Medicine.
Student Accomplishments

10 Outstanding TNU Students Receive Scholarships from the Ministry of Science and Arts of the Hessen State, Germany

On February 16th, the Ministry of Science and Arts of Hessen State, Germany held a Scholarship Awarding Ceremony at Thai Nguyen University (TNU) for 16 outstanding students, ten (10) of them were from TNU.
The ceremony was attended by Mr. Matthias from the Department of Culture and Education, German Embassy; Dr. Bui Cong Tho - Representative Director of Hessen Office in Vietnam; Dr. Tran Viet Khanh – Vice President of TNU, and representatives from other Departments of TNU and colleges located in Thai Nguyen City.
Every year, the Ministry of Science and Arts provides scholarships for 150 Vietnamese students with financial difficulties but have excellent academic performances in the universities, colleges and vocational training. Each scholar was granted the amount of 6,000,000 VND.

In addition to the financial benefit from the scholarships, each student received the “certificate of scholarship,” which included the full personal information of students, signed by the Ministry of Science and Arts during the anniversary.

Student from Thai Nguyen University receives Scholarship from the USA Government

Nguyen Hong Kien- an outstanding student of Advanced Program of the College of Agriculture and Forestry, Thai Nguyen University was awarded scholarship of SUSI program for Scholars and Student leaders. In obtaining the award, Kien was given a chance to take part in a trip to America with students coming from other countries such as Cambodia, Laos, and Indonesia. During the trip, the students will visit some universities namely Montana University, Montana State, US and do other activities such as seminar, discussions, readings, group presentations and lectures. They will also have a chance to meet the local, state, private and non-profit organizations and visit Washington, D.C. All expenditures including living expenses in America is covered by the Program. Thus, Kien said “I am lucky and happy to receive the scholarship. It will surely be an exciting and significant opportunity for me.”
Community Involvement

Thai Nguyen University donates more than 35 Million VND to Flood Victims

As part of the humanitarian mission of Thai Nguyen University, the delegation of Thai Nguyen University (TNU) headed by Assoc. Professor Dr. Tran Khanh - Deputy Secretary of Party Committee, and Vice President of TNU visited and presented gifts to the flood victims at Phuc Linh Town, Dai Tu District who were heavily affected by floods in the afternoon of April 23. The cash donation in the amount of more than 35 Million VND as support to the victims was given directly to Red Cross of Dai Tu District at the Cultural House of Khuang Hamlet, Phuc Linh Town.

Based on reports, the local functional forces conducted a search and rescue operation in the affected area and they discovered the body of the victim identified as Nguyen Thi Hoan (age 49) in a certain remote place in the afternoon of April 23 at about half past 1400 hours. At first the victim was not properly identified, however, the immediate family identified and claimed the body as Nguyen Thi The local authorities have been continuously searching for the body of other victims who were reportedly missing.

Thai Nguyen University presents Gifts to Disadvantaged Students of Sang Moc Commune

In the morning of January 18th, the Trade Union of Thai Nguyen University, along with the International School and Learning Resource Center paid a visit and presented gifts to Tiên Sơn Primary School and Tiên Sơn Junior High School at Sáng Mộc Commune, district of Vo Nhai (Thai Nguyen). Sáng Mộc stands among the poorest and most off-centered communes in Vo Nhai, with Khu Mêo residential group being of exceptional difficulties. Here still exists a “multi-level school” for its being multi-functional due to more than 100 students from grades 1 to 9. The students have to overcome harsh geographical conditions to get to school which is even harder during rainy and flood season. Due to the fact that the school is located in a distant area, the students have to stay at school and share “mèn mèn” (a dish made from corn). Worse still, some suffer starvation.

Understanding and wishing to unburden the students, Thai Nguyen University have solicited for donation from its staff with an average of 1 day pay each person, together with warm clothes and school supplies for distribution to the teachers and the students. This is a part of the yearly tradition that Thai Nguyen University have maintained to help the disadvantaged students in extraordinarily poor areas of the province. The gift consists of 20 million of VND, 500 items of warm clothes and other school supplies.
The International Collaboration of TNU plays a significant role in the development of training human resources of TNU faculty and staff and the northern region. During the period of development, TNU has significantly developed international cooperation with 24 universities and 40 foreign institutions and organizations in different countries such as England, the United States, Canada, Australia, France, Japan, South Korea and China in joint-training programs with degrees offered by foreign universities, which include 3 PhD. programs, 9 Master’s programs and 9 Bachelor programs.

The TNU has cooperated with the State University of New York at Buffalo (UB) in advanced training programs in mechanical engineering and electrical engineering using UB’s curriculums and with UC Davis in Natural Resources and Environmental management. These programs are taught in English by UB and UC Davis’s professors.

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Calendar of Events

1. Short training course on International cooperation activities April 6-7
2. National Holiday April 30 – May 1
3. International Conference on English Teaching and Learning May 12
4. Short training course on Developing project proposal June 4
5. Conference on Cooperation and Support for training high qualified human resources June 16-17

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