



RETOUR D'EXPÉRIENCE

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Thailand is a beautiful country and I loved living there because I was able to discover a culture that was completely different from France, as well as a whole new way of life that I really enjoyed. Secondly, I can only recommend Mahidol University, which is a superb university. The campus is incredibly beautiful and large, with lakes, sports complexes, markets and shops, and above all, lots of nature everywhere. The university is also very well organised and has always been responsive when problems arise, providing me with as much information as possible. The teachers are very attentive to the students, which creates a relaxed and trusting atmosphere. This comfort made me appreciate this university enormously, which is why I recommend it 100%.



Practical informations



You need a visa to study at Mahdiol University. The process is done online, and I had no trouble applying thanks to Mahidol University, which helped me a lot. They sent me several emails detailing the application process with precise explanations and the documents that might be useful for my application.



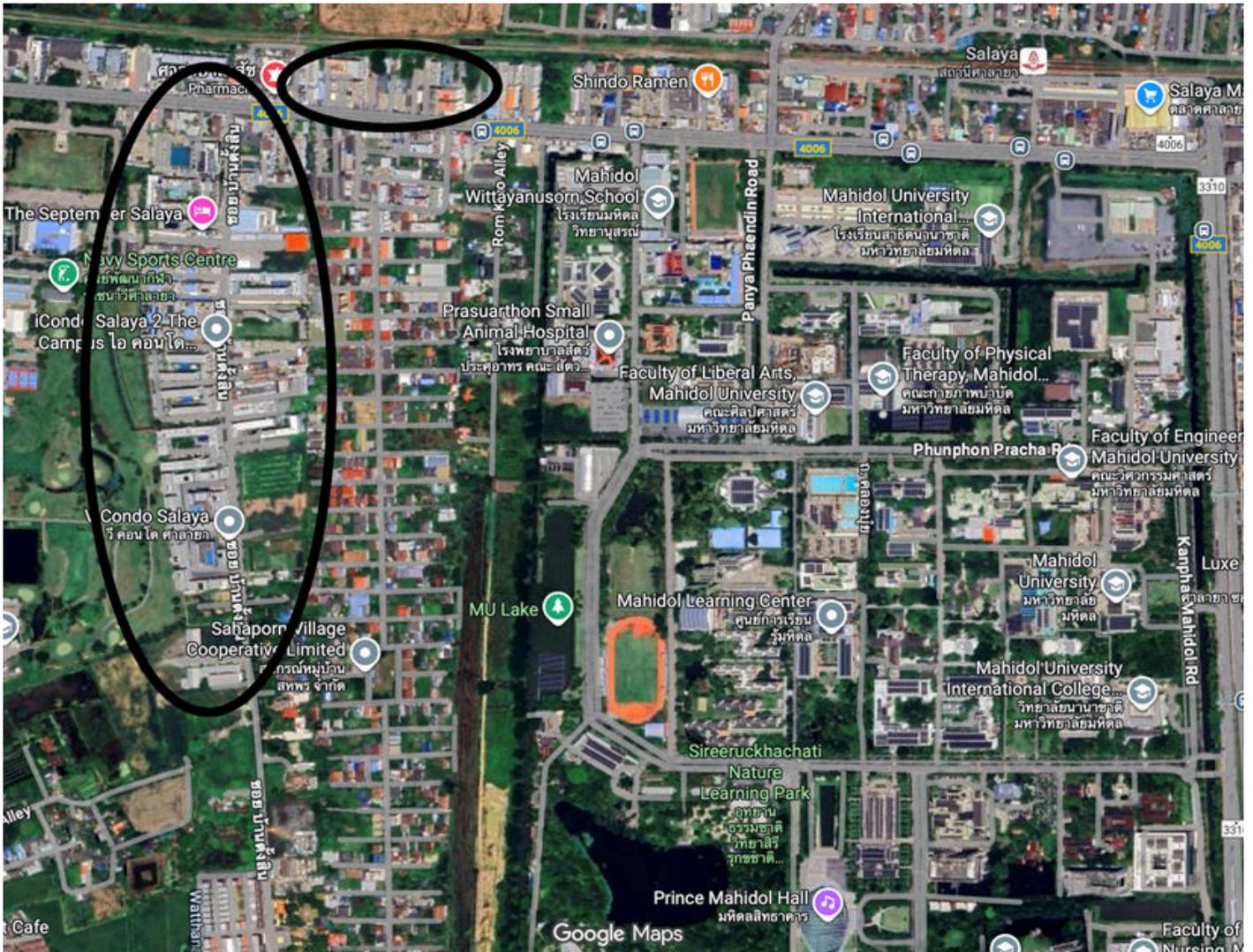
I travelled with Kuwait Airways, which I recommend because the flight went very smoothly and the tickets were quite affordable. I bought my tickets about three months before my departure, which I recommend if you want to get the best prices.

I would advise packing sun cream in your suitcase, as those sold in Thailand contain a lot of whitening agents and I didn't find them very protective either. Next, I would say not to overload your luggage because you can find everything you need there, and above all, don't take too many warm clothes except for a jumper, a cardigan and a rain jacket just in case, because the climate is very hot in Thailand.



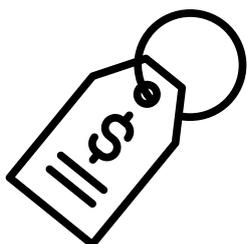
I didn't have to change banks because I was already with Revolut, which is an international bank that I recommend. I was able to create a Thai account directly through my bank, so I didn't have any additional fees. I had **Heyme** as my health insurance and it was very good. It covered everything I needed for a reasonable price.





I recommend the areas circled in black because they are the streets with the most student accommodation. In addition, most of the residences on these streets offer free shuttle buses to the university.

I found my flat thanks to a list provided by the university with about ten different properties. I then sent emails to each of the residences on the list until I got a positive response.



You should budget for around €200 to €400.

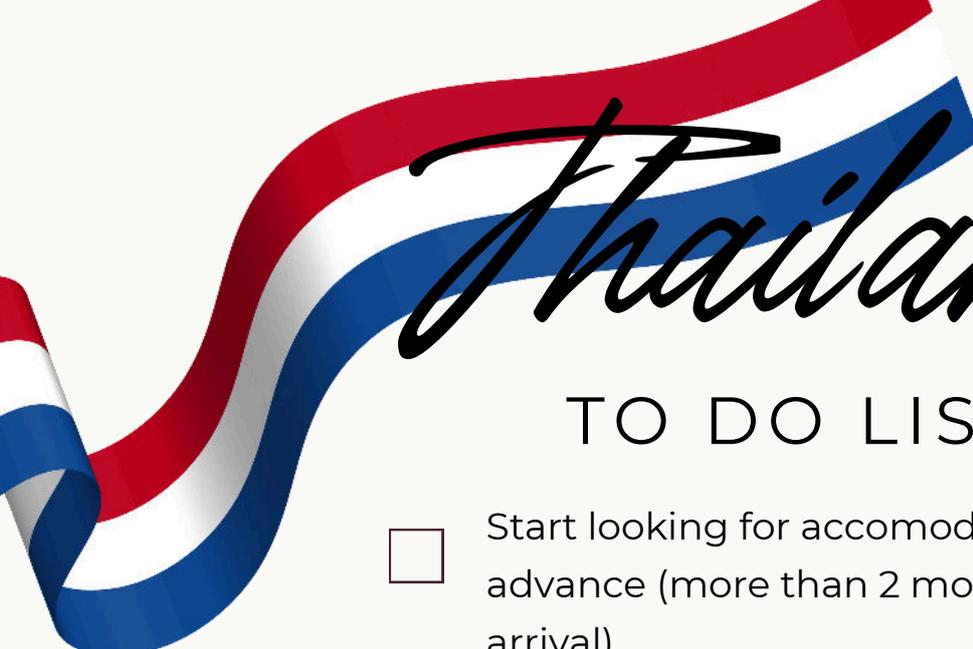
Courses selection

- **Art of Pricing** : This course was very interesting. We studied different aspects of pricing, such as price discrimination based on several criteria. The teacher was very kind and pleasant. The class was fairly easy to follow.
- **Business Statistics** : As I said before, I struggled with this course because the teacher wasn't very good at teaching and was boring. What's more, it was a really complicated class and difficult to follow, so I wouldn't recommend it.
- **Law, Technology and Society** : This course was very easy and the teacher was really nice, which made me enjoy it. The topics covered were easy to understand and interesting.
- **Games and Learning** : This course was great fun to attend. The teacher was very funny and always enthusiastic, which made the class very lively and kept us wanting to attend.
- **Healthy Habits, Happy Shoppers** : Exploring Health Literacy in Consumer Decisions : I found this course very interesting. We studied consumer trends related to product packaging, advertising, etc. The teacher was very nice too, and it was an easy course to follow.

Each class lasts two hours in a class of up to 40 students. Students must choose 4 to 6 subjects per semester, which is fairly light and leaves us plenty of free time. This also allows for a light schedule when registering for our online courses.

For example, I was able to create my own schedule where I only had classes on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, leaving me with a long weekend.

The teachers are very kind and attentive, and apart from the Business Statistics course, I have had only very good experiences with the teachers, who took the time to explain the different concepts covered so that no one was left behind.



Thailand

TO DO LIST

- Start looking for accommodation well in advance (more than 2 months before your arrival)

- Get a SIM card for €10 at Seven Eleven for internet access

- Use the sports facilities at the university (swimming pools, basketball courts, etc)

- Try definitely mango sticky rice and / or roti

- Plan trips in Thailand (Chiang Mai, Koh Kood) and in Vietnam, Japan

