The Current Situation of Post Graduate Study in the field of Library and Information Science in Thailand: Case of PhD Program in Information Studies of Khon Kaen University

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Abstract
The PhD Program in Information Studies offering at Khon Kaen University is the first doctoral program in the field of Library and Information Science in Thailand. It was developed base on an unprecedented change in the use of information, and its conversion into knowledge and wisdom, which has been reshaping personal activities, community and organizational practices, and national and global institutions. As well, it is also needed an integrated understanding of human needs and their relationships to information systems and social structures. The vision of the doctoral program is to educate researchers educators and information professionals and modern librarians by focusing upon harmonizing people, information systems, and organizations to improve the quality of life of all citizens, particularly those in Thailand. Graduates should aspire to creating new knowledge; impart knowledge to the next generation of information professionals; and utilize the results in the development of a knowledge-based society.

The presentation is included the program structure, admission students and their background, teaching - learning process and activities, the experiences in thesis supervision and the focusing research areas of the program.