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LIVING ARRANGEMENTS

Students are responsible for making arrangements for accommodation on their own, but Asia Exchange offers information about some options that have been recommended by previous students. There are plenty of accommodation options for both short and long-term accommodation, and there is a lot of variation in prices, size and quality. The main difficulty is that the minimum length of a lease is often six months. However, it is possible to find accommodation ranging from 1 – 4 months in length. Sometimes owners who initially require an agreement for a six-month lease agree to a shorter rental period if you pay a decent bonus when signing the agreement.

It's easiest to find accommodation on location, after arriving at your study destination. You can stay the first few nights at a hotel or a hostel and look around for suitable accommodation options. Some of the long-term accommodation providers let you stay at their rentals with daily rental prices. Our partner [Agoda](#) has good deals on hotels.

During the first days you'll also have time to scout for a potential roommate among the other exchange students. If you want to ask around for a roommate in advance, you can do so in Asia Exchange's Facebook group. We strongly recommend our students to find roommates of other nationalities. This gives you a chance to use English and build up an international network.



ACCOMMODATION NEAR KASETSART UNIVERSITY

The options below are located near the campus. All of them have at least the basic amenities and most of them have also 24h security. Price information and other details are based on the feedback from the previous students and on Asia Exchange's field research, collected during past years. Please note that the prices in this document are indicative. There are various factors affecting the final prices; changes in the exchange rates being just one of them.

Up-to-date information and details should always be checked directly with the accommodation providers. We strongly recommend you have a look at the accommodation hints e.g. in previous students' blog entries and exchange reports.

1. TPY5 Service Apartment

- 88 Soi Thanpuyingpohol Ngamwongwan Rd., Bangkok 10900 Thanpuyingpahol 88
ซอยถนนงามวงศ์วาน . กรุงเทพฯ 10900
- Tel. +66 81 824 4146
- <https://www.facebook.com/TPY5-601781699958508/>
- Info: Nice rooms, cozy swimming pool, gym
- Rent: 18 000 THB/month incl. electricity and weekly cleaning
- Misc: 10 min from KU, highly recommended by former students

2. Supalai (E in the map)

- <https://www.supalai.com/en/home> somchai_1326@hotmail.com
- Tel. +662 725 8888
- Info: 1-2 bed rooms, gym, swimming pool, laundry service, tennis and squash courts. Rent: Negotiable. Paid in cash.
- Misc: info of the available apartments can be acquired onsite, via email or phone.

3. The Plim Place

- 3336 Phaholyothin Rd., Chomphon Chatuchak 3336 ถนนพหลโยธิน. แขวงจตุจักร จตุจักร
- Tel. +662 930 1720
- <https://www.theplimplace.com/>
- Rent: Studios 8,500 – 15,000 THB/month. 1 bedroom + living room 17,000 – 25,000 THB/month. Cheaper prices for long term contracts and one-month contracts for higher price. Wi-Fi included.

4. Chapter One Condominium

- Paholyothin Rd., Ladyaow, Chatuchak District, Bangkok
- <https://propertyhub.in.th/เช่า คอนโด/โครงการ-chapter-one-the-campus>

- This new condo, completed in 2015, has seven 8-storey buildings with a total of 768 residential units and 15 commercial units. It is located only 300 metres from Kasetsart University campus.
- Rent: 9,000 – 12,000 THB/month

5. Krissana International Dormitory

- Soi Phahonyothin 45, Chatuchak District
- <https://kuic.ku.ac.th/th/2022/11/26/krissana-internationaldormitory-2/>
- Tel. +66 2 294-7719
- This dormitory provided by the university is specifically intended for international students. Rooms can be booked for 1-2 people. Rooms include basic amenities. The dorm has a 24-hour security system, Wi-Fi, study room, common room and washing machines.
- A shuttle bus service runs between 7 a.m. – 9 p.m.
- Rent: 6000 BHT / month + 1 6000 BHT deposit, 100 BHT key deposit, electricity 5 BHT / unit and water 16 BHT / unit.

6. Supalai Park

- Soi Phahonyothin 21, Chatuchak district
- <https://www.supalai.com/en/project/condo/supalai-parkyaek-fai-chai-station#location>
- A mix of Thai families, students, and expats. 24-hour security and guards at each entrance to the towers and at each building. Facilities include: rooftop garden, gym, swimming pool, squash and tennis courts, restaurants and shops. The nearest MRT station is in Phahonyothin. Apartments vary from single bed rooms flats to shared three-bedroom flats and the prices are similar to other places of this quality. Our previous exchange students have been very happy with Supalai Park and have gotten apartments there only by asking for them on location.

7. Porn-Uthai Suite

- 25/2 Soi Phoem Suk, Phahonyothin 29 Rd., Chatuchak, Bangkok 25/2 ซอย Phoem Suk พลโยธิน 29 แขวงจตุจักรเขตจตุจักรกรุงเทพฯ 10900
- Tel. +66 86 340 1027
- <http://www.porn-uthai.com> info@porn-uthai.com
- Info: 1-3 bed rooms, swimming pool, laundry, small restabedroomsbhavadi Tower (B in the map) 51/3 Ngamwongwan Rd., Ladyao Chatuchak 51/3 ถนนงามวงศ์วาน . แขวงลาดยาวเขตจตุจักร
- Tel. +66 2941 2876
- custserv@vibhavadiTower.com
- <https://propertyhub.in.th/en/condo-for-rent/projectvibhavadi-suite>
- Info: spacious 1-2 bed rooms, balcony, TV, fridge, microwave, gym, swimming pool, laundry service, 24h security.

- Rent: 25,000 – 45,000 THB/month Incl. electricity, water, breakfast cleaning, bed clothes, towels.
- 15 min. walking to KU. Popular choice to share with friends.

8. Sawasdee Place (C in the map)

- 31 Phaholyathin soi 41 Rd., Chatuchak district 31 ซ. พหลโยธิน 41, ถ. พหลโยธิน. แขวง ลาดยาวเขตจตุจักรกรุงเทพฯ 10900
- Tel. +66 8 1684 8598, +66 2941 4447
- sawasdeeplace@live.com
- <https://www.renthub.in.th/en/sawasdee-place-exclusiveapartment>
- Info: 1-2 bedrooms, fridge, swimming pool, laundry, Internet.
- Rent: 6,500 – 14,500 THB/month.
- Excl. water & electricity. Walking distance from KU, moderate condition (no luxury), popularity decreasing. Good value for money.

9. Na Nar Place

- 212 Soi Ratchadapisek 42, Ratchadapisek Rd. Chatuchak ถนน รพช 212 ซ.รัชดาภิเษก 42 ถ.รัชดาภิเษก จตุจักร กรุงเทพมหานคร 10900 โน้ตพัทธ์
- Tel. +66 2 513 0128-9, +66 88 33 55 252
- Email: nanarplace@hotmail.co.th
- <https://www.renthub.in.th/en/nanar-place>
- Rent: Studios 5,800 – 9,000 THB/month. Wifi included.

10. Poonchock Mansion

- 27 Phaholyothin Soi 23, Phaholyothin Road Ladyao, Chatujak 27 ซ.พหลโยธิน 23 ถนนพหลโยธิน แขวงลาดยาวเขตจตุจักร กรุงเทพฯ 10900
- Tel. (+66) 2 939 5720 <http://www.p mansion.com/> Info: Fully furnished mansion rooms with stylish interior
- Rent: Studios 8,000 – 9,000 THB/month, 1BR 12,000 THB/month, Penthouse 38,000 THB/month Misc: Close to subway and KU.

OTHER ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

Here are few examples:

1. **Grand Nivadee** - <https://www.renthub.in.th/en/grand-nivadee-apartment>
2. **U-rai Apartment** - <https://www.renthub.in.th/en/urai-apartment>
3. **VT House** - <https://kuic.ku.ac.th/2022/10/01/v-t-house/>

On the campus you can find the KU home hotel with a daily rent of approximately 25 €. The rooms are for two people. If you wish, you can stay there on a monthly basis as well.

RECOMMENDED SHORT TERM ACCOMMODATION NEAR KASETSART UNIVERSITY

1. **Maruay Garden Hotel** <http://www.maruaygardenhotel.com/>
2. **Paholyothin Park Place** <https://paholyothin-park.place.bangkokshotels.com/en/#main>
3. **Chang Tower** http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elephant_Building

You may find even more accommodation options from various sources on the internet. After arriving at KU, the staff at the International Studies Center can assist you with contacting the accommodation providers.

Former students recommend **TPY5 Service Apartment (formerly Thanpuying Suites)** as an ideal choice of accommodation. TPY5 Service Apartment is a beautiful apartment complex really close to Kasetsart University, so it is possible to walk there without wasting time in traffic. The apartments are big and include a kitchen, fitness studio, a very large garden (not typical in Bangkok) and last but not least a lovely pool area which is located separately and offers great views. The staff here always does their best to help you with all what you need.

General Information for Living in Thailand

The country has a tropical climate, with three main seasons: hot from March to June, rainy from July to October, and cool from November to February. Expect high humidity and occasional heavy rain during the rainy season. While Thai is the official language, English is commonly spoken in tourist areas, so learning a few basic Thai phrases can be helpful.

The currency is the Thai Baht (THB), and while credit cards are widely accepted, it's good to carry cash for smaller vendors. In terms of transportation, options include tuk-tuks, songthaews (shared taxis), buses, and the BTS Skytrain in Bangkok. Many people also rent motorbikes, but it's essential to have a valid international driving permit and to drive cautiously.

Thailand is known for its rich culture and traditions, so being respectful of local customs is important. The cost of living can be quite affordable, especially outside major cities like Bangkok, where housing, food, and transportation are generally cheaper than in many Western countries.

Food is a highlight of life in Thailand, and street food is not only delicious but also budget friendly. However, be mindful of food hygiene to avoid stomach issues. The healthcare system is good, with many international hospitals available in major cities, so it's wise to have health insurance that covers international care.

Understanding social norms is key; dress modestly when visiting temples and always remove your shoes before entering homes. Showing respect for Buddha images and the Thai royal family is also essential. To meet people and make friends, consider joining expat groups or local clubs, which can help you settle in.

Familiarizing yourself with local emergency numbers is also a good idea—for example, 191 for police and 1669 for medical emergencies. Finally, take advantage of Thailand's location to explore nearby countries and beautiful islands; local travel agencies can assist with arrangements. Embrace the culture, and you'll likely find Thailand to be a welcoming place.



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The world has an interesting way of giving great experiences
to the ones who are passionate about their dreams.

Miia Muukkonen, Asia Exchange student

