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ROBERT PREVOST BECOMES FIRST U.S.-BORN POPE, TAKES NAME LEO XIV

In a groundbreaking moment for the Catholic Church and days after the holy funeral of the late Pope Francis, Cardinal Robert Prevost has been elected as the 267th pope, making history as the first pontiff born in the United States. Now known as Pope Leo XIV, the 69-year-old Chicago native stepped onto the central balcony of St. Peter's Basilica, where he addressed multitude of worshippers with a message centered on unity and peace.

"Let us be instruments of peace and bearers of hope," the new pope declared in his inaugural address, honoring his predecessor, Pope Francis, and commending the

late pontiff's legacy of compassion, humility, and ecclesial reform.

Pope Leo XIV brings a wealth of international experience to the papacy. As a veteran missionary, he spent decades serving communities in South America, where he also held Peruvian citizenship and served as a bishop. More recently, he led the Vatican office responsible for appointing bishops, one of the Curia's most influential roles.

Believers believe his leadership signals continuity with the reformist path set by Pope Francis, with anticipated focus on transparency, inclusiveness, and engagement with marginalized

communities, especially in the global south.

The news of his election sparked a wave of congratulatory messages from leaders around the world. U.S. President Donald Trump called the moment "a tremendous honor for the nation," noting the historical significance of an American assuming the highest role in the Catholic Church.

As the Vatican's bells rang out and the crowd cheered beneath the night sky, Pope Leo XIV emerged as a symbol of both tradition and transformation, ready to guide the Church into a new chapter.

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Crafting Compelling Papers
Expectations and Recommendations for Researchers

Create Research Papers that Stand Out

May 09, 2025
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Academic Publishing ✓
Red Flags in Journal Solicitations ✓
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Honest, Precise Results ✓

Dr. Ekta Rana

academic excellence and research integrity, the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences at St. Teresa International University hosted a highly anticipated seminar titled *"Crafting Compelling Papers: Expectations and Recommendations for Researchers"* on Friday, May 9, 2025.

Held in Room No. 222 of the Administration Building, the session commenced at 10:00 AM and was attended by faculty members and early-career researchers eager to enhance their scholarly writing skills.

The guest speaker for the event was Dr. Ekta Rana, a renowned academic and expert in research methodologies and publishing ethics. Known for her engaging delivery and practical insights, Dr. Rana offered attendees a deep dive into the intricacies of producing impactful research papers.

Her presentation covered four critical areas:

- Academic Publishing – guiding

participants through the process of selecting the right journals and understanding peer review expectations.

- Red Flags in Journal Solicitations – raising awareness about predatory journals and how to avoid them.

- Structuring Your Paper Effectively – providing tips on organizing ideas logically and cohesively for maximum impact.

- Honest, Precise Results – emphasizing the importance of integrity and clarity in reporting research findings.

The event aimed to equip budding researchers with the tools and mindset needed to produce work that not only meets academic standards but also contributes meaningfully to their fields.

With a focus on practical guidance and ethical publishing, the seminar reinforced the university's mission to cultivate a new generation of responsible and impactful scholars.

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TRSU TO HOST A SEMINAR ON GENERATIVE AI IN ACADEMIC RESEARCH

event explored the transformative role of Generative Artificial Intelligence (AI) in academic settings from literature reviews and data analysis to plagiarism detection and scholarly writing.

The seminar featured two distinguished keynote speakers:

- Asst. Prof. Dr. Phantipa Amornrit from the Office of Education Technology, Sukhothai Thammathirat Open University

- Assoc. Prof. Dr. Patthan Chatchaphakrat
- Their presentations covered a wide array of topics including:

Basic Concepts of AI for Research

Participants gained insights into the categories of AI and machine learning, and understand the current trends and tendencies of AI integration in scholarly work.

AI for Literature Reviews

Sessions demonstrated how AI can be used to conceptualize research articles and conduct thorough

literature reviews using tools like ChatGPT.

AI for Analytical Data

They learned how AI supports data analysis in both quantitative and qualitative research, and how to effectively employ platforms such as SPSS AI.

AI for Academic Research Writing

Experts explored how to utilize AI tools to improve grammar, detect plagiarism, and enhance academic writing with precision and integrity.

Attendees also got hands-on experience through a free workshop on using generative AI for research purposes, making the seminar not only informative but also highly interactive.

The event was attended by students, faculty, and researchers who were all eager to navigate the fast-evolving landscape of AI-powered research. With academic integrity and technological adaptability at its core, the seminar poised to empower scholars to embrace innovation without compromising scholarly standards.

In an exciting stride toward technological innovation in academia, St Teresa International University hosted a groundbreaking seminar titled *"Using Generative AI for Academic Research"* on May 21, 2025, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Joseph Marie Building.

Organized by the university's Research and Knowledge Management Committees, this full-day



TRSU DORM NIGHT FINALE: A NIGHT OF TALENT, TOGETHERNESS, AND LASTING MEMORIES

On the evening of May 27, the Joseph-Marie Building came alive with laughter, music, and celebration as students of the TRSU Intensive English Program (IEP) gathered for the much-anticipated Dorm Night Finale. The event marked a joyful conclusion to the summer term, brimming with entertainment, delicious food, lively conversations, and unforgettable moments captured in photos and videos.

Taking center stage were the standout performers from the IEP Summer English Festival 2025—winners and participants from the Vocal Solo, Vocal Duet, and Dance competitions. Once again, they wowed

the crowd with their talent, proving that their performances were more than just acts—they were highlights of the IEP experience.

The evening was made even more meaningful by heartfelt speeches from Ajarn Dario Mando and the dedicated student assistants, whose words of encouragement and reflection added warmth and inspiration to the celebration. A touching performance of this year's theme song, "Moments to Memories," brought everyone to their feet, singing and dancing together in a moving display of unity and joy.

Throughout the night, the

Joseph-Marie Building stood witness to a tapestry of beautiful scenes—friends bonding, classmates reminiscing, and teachers sharing in the joy of their students. It was more than just a party; it was a celebration of the connections and memories forged through shared experiences.

Now in its third season, TRSU Dorm Night continues to be a cherished tradition. The organizing team hopes to carry this spirit forward in the years to come, spreading good vibes and fostering a sense of belonging for every IEP student who walks through TRSU's doors.



TRSU IEP STUDENTS WRAP UP SUMMER TERM WITH FINAL ASSESSMENTS

From May 28 to 30, students of the TRSU Intensive English Program (IEP) faced a meaningful academic milestone—their final assessments, marking the culmination of weeks of hard work, growth, and learning.

The three-day evaluation period began with the post-test, designed to measure each student's progress in English proficiency since the start of the program. This annual comparison of pre-test and post-test results consistently reveals remarkable improvement in students' language skills—and this year was no exception.

Following the post-test, students sat for their final exam in Conversational English (Listening and Speaking), guided throughout the term by a dynamic team of instructors: Dr. Joe, Ajarn Brandon, Ajarn Jonathan, and Dr.

Boonruang. In the afternoon, students took their oral exams, giving them the opportunity to demonstrate their speaking skills in a more interactive and practical setting.

The final day of the summer semester, Friday, May 30, was dedicated to assessing students' Reading and Writing abilities through the English Proficiency Final Exam. This course was expertly taught by Ajarn Leo Anthony, Ajarn Omega Rose, and Ajarn Ramona, who worked closely with students to sharpen their academic communication skills.

Throughout the assessments, IEP students displayed enthusiasm, determination, and focus, embodying the progress they've made over the course of the summer. Their commitment was a testament to the transformative power of the IEP experience.

As we await the final results, TRSU extends its best wishes to all test-takers. May your hard work be reflected in outstanding outcomes—and may your journey of learning continue to soar.



TRSU IEP SUMMER ENGLISH FESTIVAL SHINES WITH STUDENT TALENT AND SPIRIT

Another vibrant chapter unfolded at the TRSU Summer Intensive English Program (IEP) as students once again took the spotlight, not just in language learning, but in showcasing their performance and communication skills. The annual TRSU IEP Summer English Festival returned in full force, providing a dynamic platform for incoming freshmen to demonstrate their English proficiency through a series of spirited competitions organized by the Student Affairs Office.

Held at the Joseph-Marie Building, the festival drew a lively and enthusiastic crowd that included TRSU administrators, faculty heads, major program heads, lecturers, and fellow students. Their support fueled the performers' confidence and transformed the venue into a celebration of talent, teamwork, and self-expression.

After weeks of intense preparation and rehearsal, three competing teams confidently took the stage, each aiming to leave a mark and earn the nod of a distinguished panel of judges. The morning was packed with intellectually

engaging competitions, such as the Quiz Bee, Spelling Bee, Tongue Twister Challenge, Choral Speaking, Oratorical Contest, and Declamation. These events showcased not only students' command of the English language but also their critical thinking and public speaking skills.

The excitement carried into the afternoon, with more artistic and creative contests, including Vocal Solo, Vocal Duet, Video-Making, Choral Singing, and a crowd-favorite, the Modern Dance Competition. With every performance, the energy in the room soared—cheers, applause, and the palpable pride of mentors and peers alike filled the air.

As participants took to the stage, their confidence spoke volumes, proving how far they had come in both language proficiency and personal growth. The festival did more than highlight their English abilities, it celebrated their courage, creativity, and collaboration.

CONGRATULATIONS to all our outstanding performers and achievers! Your hard work and dedication truly lit up the stage.

<i>Competitions</i>	<i>Winner</i>
Essay Writing	Pinitnan Singmoi & Nattapong Leksorn
Scrabble	Warakorn Klahan & Jadapha Artthet
IEP Model Students	Paramet Thomyapan & Montira Kitham
Quiz Bee	Black Team
Spelling Bee	Red Team
Tongue Twister	White Team
Choral Speaking	Black Team
Oration	Red team
Declamation	Black Team
Vocal Solo	Red Team
Vocal Duet	White Team
Choral Singing	White Team
Modern Dance	White Team
Video-making	White Team
Over-all Champion	White Team

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TRSU WELCOMES GUIDANCE COUNSELORS FROM THE NORTHEAST

On May 10, St Teresa Supak Pibul, Dean of the Faculty of Education, was the presentation of the International University was honored to welcome a distinguished group of guidance counselors from Khon Kaen, Chaiyaphum, and Nakhon Ratchasima provinces as part of the Educational Guidance Counselor Network Seminar and Study Visit. The event featured an insightful keynote lecture by Asst. Prof. Dr. [Name] on the theme “Creating an International Career Guidance of the Year 2025” honorary plaque, recognizing outstanding dedication and excellence in student career development. The event fostered knowledge exchange, professional growth, and stronger networks among career guidance professionals across the region.



THAILAND EMBRACES DIGITAL INNOVATION WITH LAUNCH OF ONLINE ARRIVAL CARD

Travelers arriving in Thailand will now experience a smoother and more efficient entry process, thanks to the newly launched Thailand Digital Arrival Card (TDAC). Replacing the long-standing paper TM.6 immigration form, the new system officially went live on

May 1, 2025, marking a major step forward in the country's journey toward becoming a smarter, more traveler-friendly destination.

Developed by the Ministry of Tourism and Sports in partnership with key government agencies, the TDAC is part of a broader effort to modernize immigration procedures, minimize paperwork, and improve the overall visitor experience. Rather than filling out forms mid-flight or in crowded airport queues, travelers can now complete their arrival information online—quickly and conveniently—before even setting foot in the country.

“This is more than a digital form—it’s part of our commitment to making travel to Thailand easier, safer, and more enjoyable,” said a ministry spokesperson during a recent briefing. “We’re excited to welcome the world with smarter systems and even warmer service.”

The TDAC is currently undergoing full integration with other national systems, including immigration, health, customs, and visa services, to

ensure a seamless and secure flow of information across departments. Designed with multilingual support and an intuitive interface, the platform makes it easier for travelers from around the globe to comply with entry requirements without confusion or delay.

Beyond easing airport congestion and reducing environmental waste, the digital card reflects Thailand's growing focus on smart tourism solutions in a post-pandemic world. By moving services online, the country hopes to support safer, more sustainable travel while keeping its doors wide open to international visitors.

Planning a trip soon? Travelers are encouraged to complete the TDAC form online in advance of their arrival. The process is simple, and all the information you need can be found on the official Immigration Bureau website: <https://www.immigration.go.th/>.

As the Land of Smiles enters a new digital era, the launch of the TDAC underscores Thailand's ongoing efforts to make every journey into the country not just easier—but more welcoming from the moment you arrive.



TRSU ANNUAL MEETING 2025 CHARTS PATH FOR ACADEMIC TRANSFORMATION

St Teresa International University (TRSU) held its much-anticipated Annual Meeting for the Academic Year 2025 on May 30, focusing on bold strategies for academic transformation and global engagement.

The meeting opened with the keynote address from President Dr. Piyada Wattanasan, who introduced the theme of the year: “*From Internationalization to Global Immersion: Strategic Vision for Academic Transformation.*” Dr. Wattanasan emphasized the university's commitment to fostering international collaboration and elevating institutional standards in alignment with global benchmarks.

Continuing the momentum, Dr. Chaipat Wattanasan, Vice President for Academic Affairs, presented on “*Enhancing Faculty Quality for Effective Teaching through the Thailand Professional Standards Framework (Thailand-PSF).*” His talk highlighted the framework's role in professionalizing

teaching practices and improving instructional quality.

Dr. Ekta Rana and Dr. Pushpraj Singh from the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences addressed the crucial issue of academic visibility in their session, “*Elevating Faculty Research to International Standards: Strategies for Global Publication and Academic Visibility.*” The speakers offered practical guidance for faculty aiming to contribute to international academic discourse.

After a short break, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Suphak Pibool, Dean of the Faculty of Education, led an insightful session on “*OBE in Digital Era: Practicing for Lecturers.*” The session examined how Outcome-Based Education (OBE) practices are evolving in the context of digital learning and teaching.

Then, the focus shifted to quality assurance. Dr. Anop Pothisuk, Director of the Office of Quality Assurance, discussed “*Navigating External Quality Assessment: Understanding the New*

ONESQA Evaluation Guidelines 2025.” His presentation provided clarity on updated standards and offered strategies for effective institutional compliance.

Dr. Pothisuk returned to the stage to announce the winners of the TRSU Research Award, celebrating outstanding research contributions by faculty and researchers across disciplines. Among the awardees were Dr. Ekta Rana and Dr. Boonruang Chunsuvimol from the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.

The half-day event concluded leaving participants energized and equipped with new strategies for educational innovation, research excellence, and quality assurance.

As TRSU continues to evolve as a hub for academic excellence in southern Thailand, the 2025 Annual Meeting reinforced the university's commitment to global standards and transformative education.



NURSING STUDENT LEADERS RECHARGE WITH SUN, SAND, AND SEMINARS IN CHONBURI

With sea breezes, sunshine, and team spirit in the air, student leaders from the Faculty of Nursing gathered for an unforgettable two-day leadership seminar in Chonburi Province. Held on May 10–11, the annual event combined learning, bonding, and a touch of adventure, all designed to energize students ahead of the new academic term.

This year's program blended

professional development with recreation. Through engaging workshops and interactive discussions, participants explored key leadership skills and strategies essential for their roles in campus life. But it wasn't all classroom-style learning, attendees also rolled up their sleeves and took part in dynamic team-building activities on the sandy shores of Bang Saen Beach. Laughter and collaboration set the tone as students worked together under the sun, building not only stronger teams but also lasting memories.

A highlight of the trip was a special visit to Khao Kheow Open Zoo, where the group met one of the zoo's most famous residents: the adorable and internet-famous "Moo-Daeng." The superstar animal charmed everyone, adding a light-

hearted twist to the educational retreat.

The two-day seminar served as more than just a break from the classroom, it was a much-needed recharge before the start of a new semester filled with demanding coursework and a packed activity calendar.

"After this experience, we feel refreshed and more connected as student leaders," said one participant. "It's the perfect way to prepare for the challenges and excitement of the coming term."

As the students return to campus with new skills, stronger bonds, and renewed energy, the Faculty of Nursing looks forward to a semester shaped by collaboration, commitment, and compassionate leadership.



THAILAND SHIFTS FROM SCORCHING HEAT TO SUDDEN DOWNPOURS: PUBLIC URGED TO STAY SAFE AMID WEATHER CHANGES

After enduring weeks of intense heat and record-high heat indices, Thailand is now experiencing a dramatic shift in weather patterns, with widespread rain sweeping across the country. What began as blazing sunshine during the day often ends with sudden and heavy downpours by late

afternoon—an abrupt transition that has become increasingly common.

This fluctuating weather has raised health concerns, as the sharp changes in temperature can lead to colds, flu, and other illnesses. Medical professionals have advised the public to remain vigilant, recommending that people carry umbrellas or raincoats at all times—not only as protection from the rain but also as shelter from the intense midday sun.

The heavy rains have also led to localized flooding in several areas, heightening the risk of waterborne diseases. Health officials have reminded residents to avoid wading

through floodwaters, which may be contaminated and could cause skin infections, leptospirosis, or other sanitation-related illnesses.

As Thailand navigates this unpredictable season, safety and preparedness remain top priorities. Citizens are encouraged to stay informed through weather updates, dress appropriately for changing conditions, and prioritize personal health and hygiene.

In a time when the sun and skies can change in a matter of minutes, staying cautious and protected is key to weathering the season safely.

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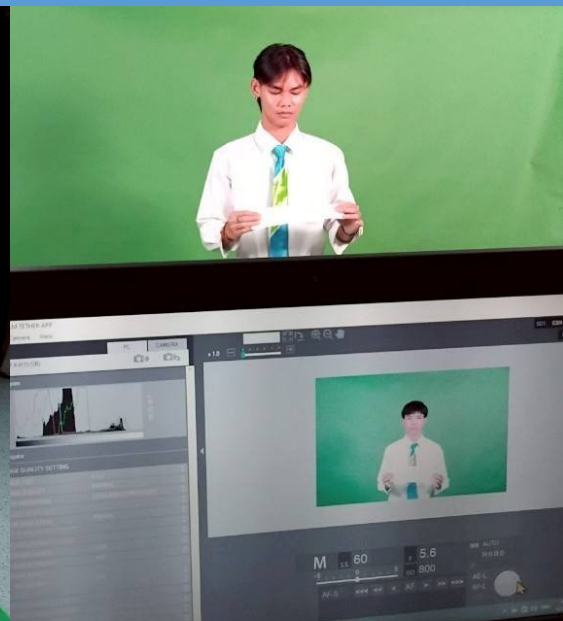
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SMILES AND SNAPSHOTS: TRSU IEP STUDENTS STRIKE A POSE FOR ID PHOTO DAY

The TRSU Intensive English Program campus buzzed with excitement on May 15 and 16 as students lined up for their much-anticipated ID photo shoot. With eager smiles and carefully styled appearances, the students were more than ready to step in front of the camera.

Determined to put their best face forward, many spent extra time

preparing, adjusting collars, neckties and scarves, brushing stray hairs, and sharing last-minute tips. The atmosphere was lighthearted yet enthusiastic, as classmates supported one another, offering cheers and encouragement to help capture the perfect shot.

As students waited for their turn, laughter echoed in the background, and phones flashed as

friends practiced their poses. Whether striking a confident angle or breaking into a candid grin, everyone made the most of the moment, turning a routine ID photo session into a fun and memorable event.

From polished poses to genuine laughter, it was a picture-perfect day for the TRSU IEP community.

BANGKOK URGES COVID CAUTION AS STUDENTS HEAD BACK TO LEARNING INSTITUTIONS

As four corners of classrooms prepare to welcome students for a new school term, Bangkok health officials are sounding the alarm on a rise in COVID-19 cases, urging the public to take extra care, especially to protect children, seniors, and those with health vulnerabilities.

Dr. Sunthorn Sunthorachart, the Deputy Permanent Secretary of the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA), shared updates on the situation, noting a steady uptick in cases over the past week. Between April 27 and May 3, the city recorded 2,967 new infections, equivalent to 54 cases per 100,000 residents. Most cases—2,381—were among Thai nationals, with 586 reported in foreign residents.

Thankfully, no new deaths were recorded during this time. Since the start of 2025, Bangkok has seen a total of 15,055 confirmed cases and just one fatality, maintaining a very low fatality

rate of 0.02%. According to health department data, over 13,000 patients received outpatient care, while 1,696 required hospitalization. Testing has been evenly split between RT-PCR and rapid antigen methods.

Public health experts point out that the rise in infections often follows the Songkran holiday, when large gatherings and increased travel spark higher transmission. This seasonal spike is expected to stretch into May, as the country moves from its sweltering hot season into the more humid and stormy rainy month, a transition that can give viruses like COVID-19 an easier time spreading.

Dr. Sunthorn reassured the public that current case counts remain lower than the same periods in 2023 and 2024, and the situation is under control. But with schools reopening soon, extra vigilance is key.

To reduce the risk of infection, the BMA is encouraging all residents to follow basic, but crucial, safety measures:

- **Wear a mask** in crowded areas, especially indoors or in poorly ventilated spaces.

- **Avoid high-risk venues**, such as tightly packed events or gatherings.

- **Practice good hand hygiene** by washing regularly with soap and water, or using alcohol-based hand sanitizer.

- **Wear a mask** if you're feeling unwell or around someone who shows symptoms like coughing or sneezing.

Special attention is being directed toward young children and the elderly, who are more susceptible to complications. Parents, teachers, and caregivers are advised to be extra mindful as schools reopen, ensuring children stay protected both in and out of the classroom.

The Bangkok Metropolitan Administration continues to monitor the situation closely and will provide regular updates. In the meantime, residents are encouraged to stay informed, follow official guidance, and prioritize community health.

As Bangkok transitions into a new season and a new school term, working together to maintain safe habits will help keep the city moving forward, with health and wellbeing at the forefront.