

Scientific Workshop 19

Advancing Occupational Therapy Education in Asia through International Graduate School Education and Scholarship, taking inspiration from Tokyo Metropolitan University

Date & Time: 2024/11/8 13:30-15:00

Venue: Venue 8 (2F 201+202)

Estimated capacity: 40

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Learning Objectives

- 1.To create an inventory of Challenges and Opportunities regarding providing and receiving graduate school education
- 2.To inspire universities to develop their resources/programs for admitting international graduate school students.
- 3.To motivate and inspire participants to apply for scholarships and enroll in a graduate school outside their country

Outline

Disabled children, adults and older persons are generally under-served populations in South, East and Southeast Asia. With economic development, there are now increasing opportunities to serve these populations through occupational therapy, which remains in short supply. Graduate School education at M.Sc. and Ph.D levels is indispensable to educators needed for establishing local education programs that can nurture the necessary numbers of occupational therapists.

At Tokyo Metropolitan University, we have been blessed with a Tokyo-city scholarship that enables us to enroll a handful of graduate school students each year, in recent years. However, there are also other scholarships and (self-)funding options available. Furthermore, there are many other universities that aspire to admit international students.

Accordingly in this workshop we will explore the challenges of supply and demand of international graduate level education (i.c. providing and enrolling in M.Sc. or Ph.D.programs)