



YANGON UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS

Internationalization Strategy

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- Originated as Department of Economics under the University of Rangoon (Yangon) in 1924
- Established as Yangon Institute of Economics in 1964

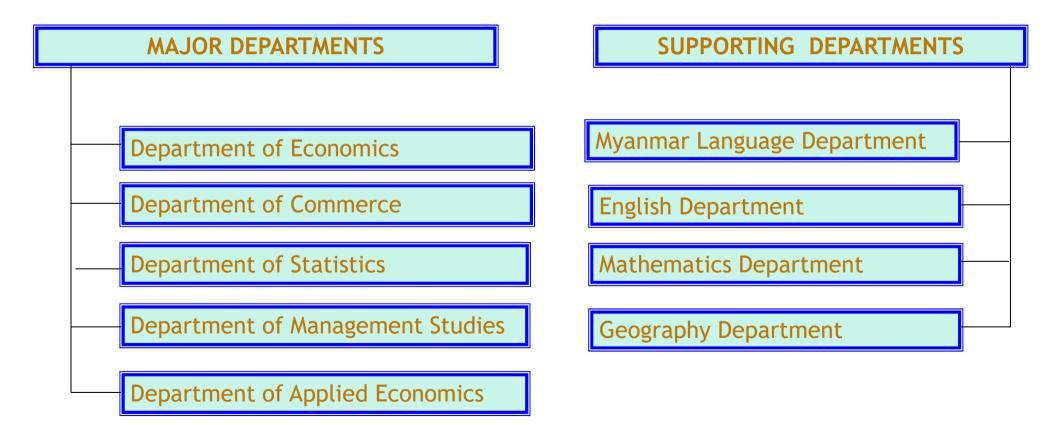
The Corner of Pyay Road & Inya Road, Kamayut Towkship, Yangon 10041, Myanmar

- Four Campuses:
 - 1) Kamayut Campus
 - 2) Ywa Thar Gyi Campus
 - 3) Hlaing Campus
 - 4) Padamya Campus





Academic Deaprtment: Five major departments and FOUR supporting departments





ADMINISTRATIVE STAFFS

Rector :

Pro Rector :

Admin officer: 10

Admin Staff : 179

Total (Admin): 191

FACULTY MEMBERS

Professors : 18

Associate Professors: 20

Lecturers : 104

Assistant Lecturers: 53

Tutors : 90

Total (Faculty): 285

STUDENT POPULATION (2018-2019)

Undergraduate : 4449

Honors & Qualifying : 162

Master : 1680

Diploma : 83

PhD : 94

Total : 6468



- 9 Bachelor Programs
- 10 Master Programs
- 4 Executive Master Programs
- 3 Ph.D Programs
- 8 Post-graduate Diploma Programs



International Profile: Facts & Figures



International Educational Projects of YUE (Active)

- 1. Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East ASIA (ERIA)
- 2. Korea Myanmar Research Association (KOMYRA)
- 3. Quality Assurance Structure and Enhancement (QASTE)
- 4. South East Asia Social Innovation Network (SEASIN)
- 5. Support for Higher Education in the ASEAN Region (SHARE)
- 6. Joint Revision & Development of Education and Training Activities Targeting Myanmar's Financial and Banking Sector Between GIZ & YUE
- 7. Joint Master Program for Social Innovation & Entrepreneurship (MSIE) between Eberswalde University for Sustainable Development (Germany), Royal University of Phnom Penh (Cambodia) & YUE
- 8. Connecting Higher Education Institutions for a New leadership On National Education (CHINLONE)
- Designing & Managing International Relations, Educational Projects & Mobility Schemes in Asian Universities (TOOLKIT)

Vision, Mission



VISION

To create the intellectually and morally developed human resources that can effectively utilize in development of national economy

MISSION

- We offer educational services that promote critical thinking skills and enhance decision making abilities, which help students become productive and informed citizens.
- Our faculty engage in research to create and disseminate new knowledge, develop quality-teaching skills, maintain high professional standards, and actively serve the University and Community





Strategic Objectives



- To nurture socially responsible and competent economists & business leaders who possess integrated skills, knowledge, and experience with global vision and local commitment
- To redesign university governance, and teaching and learning styles in line with the changing demand of labor market.
- To advance knowledge through distinguished research and teaching focus on the issues relevant to the local & international environment
- To enhance the university's capacity for internationalization in order to promote academic collaboration and research cooperation

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Internationalization of YUE



Main Priorities for Internationalization:

- Capacity building for resource persons
- Developing curriculum and syllabus inline with international standard
- Increasing research collaboration and publication

- Accreditation of AUN-QA
- Capacity building programs for both teachers and staff
- Upgrading the infrastructure and utilizing state-of-the-art technology
- Facilitating for the functions IRO Department





Vilnius Training: Experience Learned



- European Experience on Internationalization
- Conducting SWOT analysis
- Designing action plans od internationalization goals
- Different approaches of internationalization strategy

SWOT ANALYSIS: Internationalization Strategy



STRENGTHES

- Located in easily accessible area with green environment in business city
- Young and energetic human resources
- Adaptable and adoptable academicians
- All of the textbooks are in English
- Accommodation for international scholars and students

WEAKNESSES

- Inadequate teaching and researchcapacity program and ICT facilities
- Insufficient incentive programs for skilled personnel
- Weak cooperation between different departments
- Lack of experience and weak facilities
 for internationalization





SWOT ANALYSIS: Internationalization Strategy



OPPORTUNITIES

- Encouragement of government to be a semi-autonomous university
- Large number of international institutions interested in cooperating with university
- Employability of graduates due to location of university in business city

THREATS

- Ministry imposes regulations on agreement with international institutions especially financial matters & space allocation
- Transfer policy of MOE to shuffle the staff among universities
- Persuasion of other institutions to talented resources
- Lack of protection of IPR





Strategy Action Lines Derived from SWOT



- To build up staff & student capacity
- To develop internationalization strategy
- To develop infrastructure
- To promote good university governance



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GOAL: To Enhance Staff & Student Capacity

| Activity | Responsible department | Success Indicator | Due Date | Required Resources |
|--|---|---|--------------------|--|
| To organize workshop/ conference/trainings (local & international) | Five faculties | 2 international, 3 local in each faculty per year | Every year | Faculty coordinator, IRO, University budget, funded organizations |
| To review & upgrade curriculum & syllabus with a more comprehensive & career-oriented vision | Department and faculty curriculum committee & experts | Board of Study Meeting | Every two years | Faculty coordinator, IRO, University budget, updated reference books |
| To stimulate & support innovative & cross-disciplinary research initiative & project | Research department and respective faculty | At least 2 research projects & 10 peer review publication in each faculty | Every year | Researcher, university budget, funded organization |
| To recruit & develop talented academics with merit-based mechanisms | Respective faculty, administrative board | 20 persons of each faculty per year | Every year | Faculty level, selection committee & experts, university Budget |
| To enhance English language proficiency | Self-study, responsible department, English native speakers | 2 courses per year | Every year | Volunteered native speakers, university budget, funded organization |



GOAL: To Set Up Internationalization Strategy

| Activity | Responsible department | Success Indicator | Due Date | Required Resources |
|--|---|---|---------------|---|
| Students and faculty exchange | Respective department and IRO | 5 exchange programs in faculty per year | Every Year | University budget and development partners |
| Internationally transferrable credit system | Student affair, both home and host institutes | | | Register's office, credit system |
| Internationally accredited study programs | Respective department, QA department | | | AUN-QA framework & NAQAC framework |
| Collaborate with international institutions for teaching, research and development | Respective faculty, center for research and innovation, IRO | 2 international projects for every year | Every Year | Researcher, research partners and funds, post-graduate students |



Goal: To Develop Infrastructure

| Activity | Responsible department | Success Indicator | Due Date | Required Resources |
|--|---|--|---------------------|--|
| Modernize the ICT infrastructure | IT departmentAdministration board | Modernized & efficient equipment | | IT professionalsUniv. BudgetDevelopment partners |
| Upgrade the campus and facilities as a vibrant place for learning, collaboration, personal growth, everyday life of students and staff | Administration board Respective faculties Engineers and campus development department | At least, 1 activity per week | Regular activity | EngineersAdmin staffUniv. budgetRegional government |



GOAL: To promote good university governance

| Activity | Responsible department | Success Indicator | Due Date | Required Resources |
|---|---|----------------------|----------|---|
| Develop a system of governance supported by solid structure and professional capacity | University councilRespective Faculty | | | Academic Board (Univ. Senate) Administration board Univ. Budget |
| Develop and promote the institutional autonomy in academic affairs, organization, staffing and financial administration | University councilRespective Faculty | | | Academic Board (Univ. Senate) Administration board Univ. Budget |





- Develop intercultural competencies in all students, faculty members and personnel through training programs, events, programs, and other activities that engage dialogue about cultural difference
- Strengthen all structures and processes for attracting and retaining international students, faculty members and other personnel
- 3. Better articulate, market and communicate the value proposition of YUE to enhance its attractiveness and strengthen international collaboration.
- 4. Design learning outcomes of all academic programs to support internationalization
- Improve international research collaborations, and develop successful international projects and consultancies.
- 6. Strengthen the capacity of Internationalization Office







RECOMMENDATION - 1

Develop intercultural competencies in all students, faculty members and personnel through training programs, events, programs, and other activities that engage dialogue about cultural difference

- Provide incentives for all students to take one credited course involving exposure to a new language, culture, religion or other international comparative perspective
- Investigate new sources of funding for study/work/research abroad opportunities
- Provide clarity in the crediting of study/work/research abroad opportunities
- Increase opportunities for meaningful intercultural interaction for all students, faculty members and personnel



RECOMMENDATION - 2

Strengthen all structures and processes for attracting and retaining international students, faculty members and other personnel

- Clarity to admission standards for every program for both domestic and international students
- Identify and evaluate all partners and processes that have a role in strategic international talent attraction, and develop plans for enhancing tried and true methods while developing new tools
- Support & improve settlement and integration support to international faculty, undergraduate students, and graduate students
- Develop funding mechanisms for international student recruitment and transition supports







RECOMMENDATION - 3

Better articulate, market and communicate the value proposition of YUE to enhance its attractiveness and strengthen international student enrolment.

- Coordinate with both internal and external stakeholders to define the outcomes
- Leverage international alumni to contribute to university reputation and presence through innovative programs and events
- Develop opportunities for greater partnership between private & public sectors in appropriate international themes







RECOMMENDATION - 4

Design learning outcomes of all academic programs to support internationalization

- Integrate an international perspective into all existing programs
- Identify faculty champions to lead the internationalization of curricula
- Provide supports in the form of training and incentives to faculty members engaged in academic activities aimed at internationalization of curricula







RECOMMENDATION - 5

Improve international research collaborations, and develop successful international projects and consultancies.

Actions

- Initiate & support international research opportunities
- Partner with government organizations & private businesses to identify research areas based on needs of the society

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- Provide leadership and support in efforts to internationalize the university and the community
- Create and communicate simplified processes for faculty members to engage in international research and development projects
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RECOMMENDATION - 6

Strengthen the capacity of Internationalization Office

- Provide sufficient staff & resources to provide high level expertise
- Explore, develop and maintain relations with external stakeholders and strategic international partners
- Lead the establishment of the institutional policies needed to support the Strategic Internationalization plan









Thank You for Your Attention

Welcome Comment & Suggestions!



