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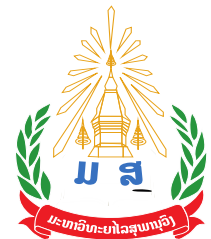
NATIONAL CASCADE TRAINING SOUPHANOUVONG UNIVERSITY'S INTERNATIONALISATION STRATEGIC PLAN

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAOS

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SOUPHANOUVONG UNIVERSITY

Vision and mission



Vision

- To promote student, staff and researcher mobility

Mission

- To improve language proficiency of students, staff, lecturers and researchers;
- To develop international programmes;
- To set up a good management system for mobility;
- To develop university's infrastructure, classrooms and dormitories.



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SWOT Analysis



Strengths

- Good cooperation with foreign institutions and organisations;
- Opportunity in attracting funding to improve capacities of researchers and lecturers and exchange students (e.g. NGOs ERASMUS+ ADB...)

Weaknesses

- No international courses;
- No applications for international students to apply to go and study at the university;
- Students' limited language proficiency;
- Language issues of lecturers and staffs;
- No scholarships for international students



SWOT Analysis



Weaknesses (con)

- Limitation of research capacity of researchers and lecturers;
- Credit transfer and recognition issues;
- Few outbound students due to limited budget;
- No accommodation for exchange students, staff, lecturers and researchers;
- Issues in disseminating university's information on website, Facebook.....;
- Young staff and lecturers with limited skills and experiences;
- Issues of terms of reference of intern-departments;
- Complication in cooperation between inter-departments;



SWOT Analysis



Opportunities

- Ministry of Education and Sports has policy in supporting HEIs to cooperate with foreign institutions;
- Good locations- world heritage city;
- Human resource development projects supported by ADB, KOICA, EU and partner universities;
- The Lao government has a policy in strengthening second language competency starting at the third grade of primary school;



SWORT Analysis



Threats

- MOEs does have not internationalisation strategies;
- No guidelines for international students to apply for visas;
- Issues of recognition of qualifications of students graduating for a Lao university of foreign universities;



Action plans



No	Activity	Responsible department	Success indicator	Due date	Resources required (staff, technician, budget...)
1	Improving University's website	IT centre and IRO	English and Lao versions	2022	IT centre, IRO team, University budget
2	Improving accommodation	Accommodation Service Office (ASO), IRO	A dormitory with 20 rooms	2025	ASO, Government Budget
3.	Creating a guideline for exchange students, staff, lecturers and researchers for SU	IRO	A completed guideline	2023	IRO. University's Budget
4	Improving language proficiency of students, staff, lecturers and researchers	Academic Affairs office (AAO), Faculty of Languages, Faculty of Education, IRO,	4 times a year 100 participants a year	Every year	AAO, FOL. FOE, IRO; University's and international Agencies' budgets
5	Developing international programmes	Faculties concerned and AAO	At least 3 programmes	2025	Faculties concerned and AAO, University's and international Agencies' budgets
6	Increasing bilateral and multi-lateral cooperation	IRO	At least 5 agreements a year	Every year	IRO, University's budgets
7	Increasing internationalisation awareness of students, staff, lecturers and researchers	IRO, AAO	2 times a year	Every year	IRO, University's budgets



Action plans

8	Improving quality assurance system	AAO and Faculties concerned	AUN QA	2025	AAO and Faculties concerned, University's budget
9	Improving credit transfer system	AAO and Faculties concerned	Academic staffs have been trained	2025	AAO and Faculties concerned, university's budget
10	Joining research with partner universities	IRO, Research and Academic Service Office (RASO)	10 projects a year	Every year	IRO, RASO, University's and international Agencies' budgets
11	Sending staff, lecturers and researchers to attend training at partner universities	IRO, Offices and Faculties	50 people a year	Every year	IRO, Offices and Faculties, University's and international Agencies' budgets
12	Hosting and co-hosting international conferences	IRO, RASO and faculties	At least once a year	Every year	IRO, RASO and faculties, University's and international Agencies' budgets
13	Conducting number of academic and cultural exchanges with partner universities	IRO, Faculties concerned, AAO and SAO	At least 2 times a year	Every year	IRO, AAO, SAO, Faculties, University's and partner universities' budget
14	Seeking for funding for student, staff, lecturers and researchers mobility	IRO, AAO, SAO, Faculties	10 funding sources a year	Every year	IRO, AAO, RASO, Faculties
15	Improving language proficiency of IR officers	IRO, Faculty's IR staff	Training (2 times a year)	Every year	IRO, international volunteers, university's budget
16	Improving working capacity of IR officers	IRO, Faculty's IR staff	Training (2 times a year)	Every year	IRO, Faculty's international staff, university's budget





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Any Questions?