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## **Education Background:**

March 2020 Doctor of Area Studies (Southeast Asian Area Studies)

Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies,

Kyoto University, Japan

March 2013 Master of Public Policy

School of Government, Kyoto University, Japan

**November 2005** Bachelor of Economics (International Economics) (Honors)

Faculty of Economics, Ramkhamhaeng University,

Bangkok, Thailand

February 2005 Bachelor of Arts (International Affairs) (First Class Honors)

Faculty of Political Science, Thammasat University,

Bangkok, Thailand

#### **Work Experience:**

November 2020 - present

Khon Kaen University International College, Khon Kaen University

Position: Lecturer

**February 2017 - October 2020** 

Faculty of Political Science, Ubon Ratchathani University

Position: Lecturer

August 2016 – December 2016

Office of General Education, Khon Kaen University

Position: Part time Lecturer

January 2006 – October 2008

Japan – Thailand Joint Technical Cooperation Project on Capacity Building of Local Authorities through Local Cooperation and Local Public Standards sponsored by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

Position: Assistant to Japanese JICA Expert

### **Teaching and Research Assistant Experiences:**

#### **October 2014 – March 2015**

Teaching Assistant (TA) to Professor KOIZUMI Junko at Kyoto University Asian Studies Unit, Kyoto University, Japan

# **May 2013 – September 2014**

Research Assistant (RA) to Professor KOIZUMI Junko, Kyoto University, under the project on "The Tendency of Research Data Management on Thai studies in Japan"

### **August 2009 – March 2016**

Research Assistant (RA) to Professor NAGAI Fumio, Osaka City University, under the project on "Data Management of the survey on Role and Status of Local Authorities: Comparative Studies of Thailand, the Philippines, and Indonesia"

### **Thesis and Academic Papers:**

- "Japan-China Political Relations Under the Abe Administration (2012-2020)", proceeding in The 5th TICC International Conference 2020 titled Multidisciplinary Research Towards a Sustainable Society. Khon Kaen: Khon Kaen University International College, pp. 375-383.
- 2020 "Change and Continuity of Political Networks through the Direct Local Elections: Case Study of Ubon Ratchathani, Udon Thani and Khon Kaen Provinces" (地方首長直接選挙による政治ネットワークの変遷と持続性 ~ウボンラーチャターニー県、ウドーンターニー県とコーンケン県の事例~) Thesis submitted for the Degree of Doctor of Area Studies, Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies, Kyoto University
- 2018 "ร่วมมือหรือควบรวม? รูปแบบการจัดการท้องถิ่นของประเทศญี่ปุ่น (Local Cooperation or Amalgamation? The Local Management Method in Japan)", in Puli Fuwongcharoen (Editor). *Kue Fa Kwang...60 years Nakharin Mektrairat*. Bangkok: Thammasat University Press, pp.201-214. (In Thai)
- 2013 "日本の国際支援によるタイの地方開発〜JICA の自治体行政能力向上プロジェクトの事例〜 (The Influence of Japan's International Aids to Thai Local Development, Case Study of JICA Project on Capacity Building of Thai Local Authorities)", Thesis submitted for the Degree of Master of Public Policy, School of Government, Kyoto University (In Japanese)
- 2013 "The Adoption of New Local Management Method in Thailand through Japanese Experience", conference paper for International Seminar "Thai Studies in the East Wind" at Chiang Mai, Thailand, on 23-25 August 2013

### **Academic Conferences:**

- 2020 "Japan-China Political Relations Under the Abe Administration (2012-2020)" in International Conference "The 5th TICC International Conference 2020 titled Multidisciplinary Research Towards a Sustainable Society" at Khon Kaen, Thailand, on 26-27 November 2020
- 2015 "Formation, Change and Continuity of Local Political Networks in Northeastern Thailand after the 2004 local elections: Case Studies of Ubon Ratchathani, Udon Thani and Khon Kaen Provinces" in Young Academic Seminar on Thai Studies, Tokyo University, Tokyo, Japan, on 24 October 2015
- 2015 "Politicization of Local Government in Northeastern Thailand after Thaksin Administration" in Workshop on Theories and Methods of International Studies (IIX), Thailand and Indochinese Counterparts Revisited: Governance, Social Networks and China Factors at National Chengchi University, Taipei, Taiwan, on 3-4 September 2015
- 2015 "Party Politics or Networked Politics?: The Transition of Local Politics in Northeastern Thailand" in The 9th International Convention of Asia Scholars (ICAS9) at Adelaide, Australia, on 5-9 July 2015
- 2013 "The Adoption of New Local Management Method in Thailand through Japanese Experience" in International Seminar "Thai Studies in the East Wind" at Chiang Mai, Thailand, on 23-25 August 2013

#### Awards:

- Japanese Government's (Monbukagakusho: MEXT) Scholarship for Doctoral Program from April 2013 to March 2016 (Three years)
- Japanese Government's (Monbukagakusho: MEXT) Scholarship for Master's Degree Program from April 2011 to March 2013 (Two years)
- Japanese Government's (Monbukagakusho: MEXT) Scholarship for Research Student (non-degree) Program from April 2009 to March 2011 (Two years)
- Second Class Honors Graduation from the Faculty of Economics, Ramkhamhaeng University, Thailand, in November 2005
- First Class Honors Graduation from the Faculty of Political Science, Thammasat University, Thailand, in February 2005
- Dean's List from the Faculty of Political Science, Thammasat University, as excellent academic report of International Affairs major in academic year 2003 and 2004

<u>Fields of Interest</u>: Japanese Studies, Politics and International Relations in East Asia, and Comparative Politics and Government

### **Language Skills:**

- Highly proficient in written and spoken English
- Good command of Japanese, especially for academic purpose (JLPT level N2)