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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
(Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship)
- March 2013** **Master of Public Policy**
School of Government, Kyoto University, Japan
(Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship)
- 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 Experiences:

November 2020 - present

Khon Kaen University International College, Khon Kaen University

Position: Lecturer in International Relations and Diplomacy

February 2017 - October 2020

Faculty of Political Science, Ubon Ratchathani University

Position: Lecturer in Political Science

August 2016 - December 2016

Office of General Education, Khon Kaen University

Position: Part-time Lecturer

January 2006 - October 2008

Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

Japan - Thailand Joint Technical Cooperation Project on Capacity Building of Local Authorities through Local Cooperation and Local Public Standards

Position: Assistant to Japanese JICA Expert

Research Grant:

Project title “*Smart Governance and Effectiveness of Smart Cities*” granted by Young Researcher Development Project of Khon Kaen University Year 2022, during December 2021-August 2023.

Publications:

- 2024 Worrakittimalee, T., Pienwisetkaew, T., & Naruetharadhol, P. (2024). The role of smart governance in ensuring the success of smart cities: a case of Thailand. *Cogent Social Sciences*, 10(1). <https://doi.org/10.1080/23311886.2024.2388827>
- 2023 Worrakittimalee, T. (2023). The Roles of Smart Governance in Promoting the Citizenship in Japan. *Political Science and Public Administration Journal*, 14(2), 119-136. (In Thai)
- 2022 Worrakittimalee, T. (2022). Political Parties and Local Elections: Relationship and Future Trends, in Thanet Charoenmuang (Editor) . *125 Years of Thai Local Administration, B.E.2440-2565, vol.3*. Chiang Mai: Chiang Mai Saengsilp Press, 25-52. (Book Chapter in Thai)
- 2020 Worrakittimalee, T. (2020). Japan-China Political Relations Under the Abe Administration (2012-2020). In *Proceeding in the 5th TICC International Conference 2020 titled Multidisciplinary Research Towards a Sustainable Society*. Khon Kaen: Khon Kaen University International College, 375-383.
- 2018 Worrakittimalee, T. (2018). 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, 201-214. (Book Chapter in Thai)
- 2013 Worrakittimalee, T. (2013). The Adoption of New Local Management Method in Thailand through Japanese Experience. In *Proceeding in the International Seminar on Thai Studies in the East Wind*. Chiang Mai.

Conference Presentations:

- 2020 Worrakittimalee, T. (2020, November 26-27). *Japan-China Political Relations Under the Abe Administration (2012-2020)* [Paper presentation]. The 5th TICC International Conference 2020 titled Multidisciplinary Research Towards a Sustainable Society. Khon Kaen, Thailand.
- 2015 Worrakittimalee, T. (2015, October 24). *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* [Oral presentation]. Young Academic Seminar on Thai Studies. University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan.

- 2015 Worrakittimalee, T. (2015, September 3-4). *Politicization of Local Government in Northeastern Thailand after Thaksin Administration* [Oral presentation]. Workshop on Theories and Methods of International Studies (IIX), Thailand and Indochinese Counterparts Revisited: Governance, Social Networks and China Factors. National Chengchi University, Taipei, Republic of China (Taiwan).
- 2015 Worrakittimalee, T. (2015, July 5-9). *Party Politics or Networked Politics?: The Transition of Local Politics in Northeastern Thailand* [Oral presentation]. The 9th International Convention of Asia Scholars (ICAS9). Adelaide, Australia.
- 2013 Worrakittimalee, T. (2013, August 23-25). *The Adoption of New Local Management Method in Thailand through Japanese Experience* [Paper presentation]. International Seminar on Thai Studies in the East Wind. Chiang Mai, Thailand.

Administrative Experiences

- May 2023 – January 2024 Program Director of Bachelor of Arts in International Affairs, Khon Kaen University International College
- January 2022 – May 2023 Assistant Dean for Planning and Organizational Administration, Khon Kaen University International College

Awards:

- Japanese Government's (Monbukagakusho: MEXT) Scholarship for Research Student, Master Program, and Doctoral Program from April 2009 to March 2016
- 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

Fields of Interest

Foreign aid, International Political Economy, Domestic politics' influence on foreign policy, Japanese and East Asian politics and foreign policies, Smart governance

Teaching Courses

Introduction to Political Science, Principles of Economics, Diplomacy, International Political Economy, Japanese Politics and Foreign Affairs