

Ven. Asst. Prof. Dr. Phramaha Somphong Khunakaro (Unyo)

Name: Phramaha Somphong Khunakaro (Unyo)

Born: 27/May/1973

Permanent Residence:

Wat Rajchanaddaram (Monastery), Phranakorn,
Bangkok, Thailand.

Education:

1. B.Ed. in Administration of Education at Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University, Bangkok, Thailand
2. MMM in Management at NIDA, Bangkok, Thailand
3. M.A. in Philosophy at Madras Christian College, Madras University, Chennai, India
4. Ph.D. in Philosophy, Madras University, Chennai, India

Office:

International Buddhist Studies College,
MahachulalongkornrajavidyalayaUniversity, Ayutthaya, Thailand

Position:

- Vice-Director of International Buddhist Studies College, MCU, appointed in 2016-present
- Faculty member appointed in 2008 to present (Faculty Member)
- Head of International Buddhist Studies Programme, International Buddhist Studies College appointed in 2014-2016
- Special Lecturer at Assumption University Bangkok, Thailand appointed in 2014-present

Teaching:

- B.A. Course in Philosophy
- M.A. Course in Buddhist Studies
- Ph.D. Course in Buddhist Studies
- Ph.D. Course in Peace Studies

Duties and responsibility at Department of Philosophy and Religions:

1. Lecturer for Thai and International Programme
2. Advisor for International Students

Duties and Responsibility at International Buddhist Studies College:

1. Vice Director of International Buddhist Studies College
2. Advisor for M.A. and Ph.D. International students

The presented paper:

1. Presented the paper on **“Contemporary Ethic: Euthanasia in the view of Buddhist Society in Thailand”** on August 2-3, 2012, at Pondichery University, Pondichery, India.
2. Presented the paper on **“Human Identity in Perceptual World in Edmund Husserl’s Phenomenology and Buddhism”** on January 6-7, 2013, at Panjab University, Panjab, India.
3. Presented the paper on **“The Approach to Peace and Conflict Solution in Buddhist Perspective”** on March 12-13, 2013, at Madras Christian College, University of Madras, Chennai, India.
4. Presented the paper on **“Right to Life: Religion and Morality in Buddhist Perspective”** on July 26-27, 2013, at Church of South India in Chennai, India.
5. Present the paper on **“Consciousness in the Perceptual Sphere in Buddhism and Edmund Husserl’s Phenomenology”** on November 2023, 2013 at Assam University, Assam, India.
6. Present the paper on **“The Discipline of Buddhist Ethic on the Development of Human Beings’ Potentialities”** in 88th Indian Philosophical Congress on November 27-30, 2013, at Madura College in Madurai, Madurai, India.
7. Presented the paper on **“Swami Vivekananda and Buddhism”** on April 29-30, 2014, at University of Madras, Chennai, India.
8. Presented the paper on **“Mind and its Process in Thought Moment”** on January 5-8, 2015, at 89th Indian Philosophical Congress in Andhra Pradesh, India.
9. Presented the paper on **“Matter and Mind: The Sciences of Human Reality”** at National Conference organized by Chennai Philosophical Forum on January 9, 2015 in Chennai, India.

10. Presented the paper on **“Women in Buddhism: Female Monk’s Issue”** at International Conference organized by Mumbai University on March, 1920, 2015, Mumbai, India.
11. Presented the paper on **“Concept of Guru in Buddhism”** at National Seminar organized by Assam University in 2015 in Assam, India,
12. Presented the paper on **“Buddhist Ethics on the Criteria of Judgement of Rightness and Wrongness of an Act”** at Indian Philosophical Congress organized in Magadh University, in 2016 in Bodh Ghaya, India,
13. Presented the paper on **“Lohaprasad: The Metal Castle in Thailand”** in 2016 in Java, Indonesia.
14. Presented the paper on **“A Feature of Dissemination of Buddhism on Social Media”** at Blessing Ceremony in Celebration of the 20th Anniversary of Return of Hong Kong and of the 25th Anniversary of the Inauguration of Tian Tan Buddha Statue and of Symposium: Theravada and Mahayana Buddhism Along the Belt and Road organized on 29-30 June, 2017, Hong Kong.
- 15 Presented the paper on **"Philosophy of Creating Peace in Buddhism"** at International Conference on Peace and Reconciliation: Perspectives from Philosophy and Religion" organized by ॐ Vishnu Mohan Foundation on 4-6 March 2017 in Chennai, India.
16. Presented the paper on **“Path of Purification”** at the 6th Buddhist - Christian Colloquium organized by Pontifical Council in collaboration with the Chinese Regional Bishops’ Conference on 12-16 November 2017, in Taipei.
17. Presented the paper on **“The Cause of Diseases and Healing Strategy”** at International Seminar on “Religion in the 21st Century organized on 18-20 May 2018, Seoul, South Korea
18. Presented the paper on **“Dependent Origination and Peace”** at International Conference on Breaking Through the Links: Independent Perspective on the Buddhist Theory of Dependent Origination organized on 12-13 November 2018, in Myanmar.
19. Presented the paper on **“The Concept of a Spiritual Friend in Buddhism”** organized by the 93rd Indian Philosophical Congress at Nava Nalanda University on 7-11 March 2018 in Nalanda, India.
20. Presented the paper on **“Naga’s Fireball: A Mysterious Phenomenon on Mekong River and Local Buddhist’s Trust in It”**, at International

Workshop on Effective Theravada Buddhism Management in Mekong-Lancang Countries, organized by Ministry of Cult and Religions of Cambodia on 24-26 April 2019. Phnom Pehn, Cambodia.

21. Presented the paper on “**Buddhist Educational Philosophy for Developing Human Being’s Potentialities**” at International Buddhism Forum on Buddhist Education in Paris on 2-3 November 2019.

22. Presented the paper on “**A Buddhist Philosophy for Making a Strategy of Mental Training to Become Patient Mind**”, at **10th Mind Humanities International Conference**” organized by Wonkwang University on 7-9 November 2019.

23. Presented the paper on “A feature of Dissemination of Buddhism on Social Media: The Strength and the Weakness”. at the Workshop on „Social Assistant Activities of the Contemporary Buddhism” organized by National Vietnam University, Hanoi, Vietnam on 28 December 2019.

24. Presented the paper on “**Buddhist Art of Happiness Comparing with the Stoic Concept of Eudaimonia (Happiness)**” at International residential seminar on “Happiness and Good Life: Philosophical Reflection through Cultures” organized by University of Delhi, India on 5-13 January, 2020.

25. Given a special address on “**Buddhist Peace**” at Peace and Reconciliation, organized by Sri Vishnu Mohan Foundation, Chennai, on 4th January 2020.

Visiting Professor:

-2014 Given a special lecture on “Morality and Value of Education” at The Hindu

Senior Secondary School, Chennai, India.

-2014 Given a special lecture on “History of Thai Education on the Basis of Buddhism” At Assam University, Assam, India.

-2015 Given a special lecture on “Buddhist Ecology” at Chennai Philosophical Forum Chennai, India.

-2015 Given special lecture on “Buddhist Monastery and Master (Gum) in Thailand” at Sri Vishnu Mohan Foundation, Chennai, India.

-2015 Given special lecture on “Comparison of the Religious Movement in India at Faculty of Buddhism, MCU, Ayutthaya, Thailand

-2015 Given special lecture on “Edmund Husserl’s Phenomenology” at Graduate School, MCU, Ayutthaya, Thailand.

-2016 Given special lecture on “Life Style of New ASEAN Generation Based on Culture and Religions” at Language Institute, MCU, Ayutthaya, Thailand

-2017 Given special lecture on “The Reason Why Humbeing get sickness and grow old” at Sri Vishnu Mohan Foundation, Chennai, India.

-2017 Given special lecture for Religious Leader Program at Phuwan (Catholic Training Center) Nakonpathom, Thailand.

-2017 Given special lecture for Special English Program at Language Institute, MCU, Ayutthaya, Thailand

-2017 Given a special lecture on “Internal Quality Assurance in Education for Foreign Students” at MCU, Ayutthaya, Thailand.

-2018 Given a special lecture on “Phenomenology of Perception” at Graduate School, MCU, Ayutthaya, Thailand.

-2018 Given a special lecture on “Ethic for a Lawyer” at the Lawyers Council, Bangkok, Thailand.

-2018 Given a special lecture on “Buddhism, Religions, and the Way of Inter-Cultural life” at Baan Phu Wan (Catholic Training Center), Nakonprathom, Thailand.

-2018 Given a special lecture on “Buddhist Strategy for Healing Diseases” at Chennai Philosophical Forum, Chennai, India.

- 2019 Given a special lecture on “Buddhist Phenomenology” at Graduate School, MBU, Nakhonprathom, Thailand.

- 2019 Given a special discussion on “Religious opinion of Multi culture” at Muslim Center of Thailand, Bangkok, Thailand.

My Publications

Article:

1. The article on “**Buddhist Concept of Truth and Reality**” published on January 1, 2012, on the Journal “Jnanagni” by Sri Vishnu Mohan Foundation, Chennai, India
2. The article on “**The Theory of Reduction Epoche (έποχή) as the Method of Pure Perception in Edmund Husserl’s Phenomenology**” published on December, 2012, on the Journal “Pandhitsuksapraridhat” by Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University, Bangkok, Thailand
3. The article on “**Edmund Husserl’s Phenomenology of Perception**” published on June 15, 2013, on the Journal “Anuśīhana: Research Journal of Indian Culture, Social and Philosophical Stream” by Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, India
4. Phramaha Somphong Khunakaro, “**The Approach to Peace and Conflict Solution in Buddhist Perspective**”, Religious Tolerance; The 1st Interfaith Dialogue on Religious Tolerance, Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University 2014.
5. Phramaha Somphong Unyo, Thaweesak Chooma and Sinsuek Moongkun “**The Influence of Oral Communication Strategies used by Buddhist Monks in ASEAN Countries, Buddhist Virtue**” Buddhism and World Crisis at the 12th United Nations Day of Vesak Conference, Wangnoi: Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University Press, 2015.
6. Phramaha Somphong Khunakaro, “**The Art of Creating a Peace in Buddhist Philosophy**”, Journal of Graduate Studies Review. No. 12 Vol.2 May, Bangkok, Thailand, 2016.
7. Khunakaro, Phramaha Somphong. “**Inter-Religious Understanding and Common Future for the Humankind**”¹⁹. *The Research Symposium on Buddhist Teachings for Social Justice and Sustainable World Peace Book Conference. The 14th United Nations Day of Vesak Celebration. (13th May 2017)*
8. Khunakaro, Phramaha Somphong. “**Naga’s Fireball: A Mysterious Phenomenon on Mekong River and Local Buddhist’s Trust in It**”, at International Workshop on Effective Theravada Buddhism Management in

Mekong-Lancang Countries, organized by Ministry of Cult and Religions of Cambodia, Phnom Pehn, Cambodia on 24-26 April 2019.

Research Works:

1. Khunakaro, Phramaha Somphong, “**An Analytical Study of Ideally Inherent Operative Transformations of the Original Mental Process in Edmund Husserl’ Phenomenology**”. Research Work, MCU. 2017.

Books:

1. Khunakaro, Phramaha Somphong. **Phenomenology of Perception: An Investigation from Edmund Husserl and Buddhism**. Prayoonsanthai Printing Limited Partnership, 2018.
2. Unyo, Phramaha Somphong. **Ancient Western Philosophy**. MCU Press, 2020.

Observe Activities Abroad:

1. in Laos in 2009
2. in Myanmar in 2010
3. in Chinese Taipei in 2016
4. in Indonesia in 2016
5. in Sri Lanka in 2017
6. in Hong Kong in 2017
7. in France in 2017
8. in South Korea in 2018
9. in Cambodia in 2019

The Speciality

Completed the B1 courses of German Language at Goethe Institute in Chennai, India