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National University of Laos, Lao PDR

Institutional Highlights

- First, biggest national university of the nation
- A member university of ASEAN University Network (AUN) representing the country's higher education
- Public comprehensive university with a number of (more than 200) MOUs based on collaboration and cooperation in academics and research (except medicals and health science)

Programs Offered

- 118 Bachelor programs 118 (2 International programs), and 44 Continuing programs (Engineering, environment, economics, agriculture, IT, education and foreign languages)
- 66 Master's Programs (Engineering, economics and business management, financing, agriculture, IT, education and environment)
- 8 Doctoral Programs (Economics and business management, financing)

Internationalization Perspectives

- In compliance with the Education Development Plan of the MOES, NUOL has developed a strategic plan to provide the University with high capacities in human resource development and to respond to the national socio-economic development priorities and to approach regional and international standards.
- The overall university plan includes actions intended to develop the center of education and provide it with higher quality academic offer, thus including the expansion of international curricula and courses.
- In addition, NUOL wants to become an international hub of scientific research. This will enhance faculty and student development and will allow them to meet the national strategy and the international standards.
- Among the objectives it is also worth mentioning the enhancement of its international dimension in order to raise academic capacity through international networking and cooperation.

Priorities and Opportunities for Partnerships with Canada

- Scholarships and capacity-building projects or programs with Canadian universities, or institutions;
- English language training courses and such programs for Lao universities;
- Exchange of academic and administrative staff and students;
- Cooperation in various areas of research (engineering, education, environment, economics, ICT and so on);
- Exchange of academic materials, publications and other scientific information; and
- Collaboration and exchange of resources and staff in the area of university internationalization and higher education.