

GLOBAL SUMMER SUSTAINABILITY SCHOOL 2026

CHIANG MAI UNIVERSITY, THAILAND

LEARN SUSTAINABILITY WHERE IT IS HAPPENING

23 AUGUST - 5 SEPTEMBER 2026

CLIMATE CHANGE
FLOODING & COMMUNITY RESILIENCE



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STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

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WEEK 1

GLOBAL ENGLISH

Students will develop their communicative English language skills as well as confidence when using the language in real situations.

ICE-BREAKING

Students will get to meet their local CMU buddy through this English language facilitated session

SCAVENGER HUNT

Race against other team and work together in groups students will work to complete the tasks in downtown Chiang Mai.

CLIMATE CHANGE SEMINAR

Students will begin their sustainability program with a session on climate change and the challenges which impact natural disasters with a focus on flooding in southeast Asia.

PING RIVER & CANAL WALKABOUT

Students will take a walk around the canals and rivers of Chiang Mai to understand the extent of seasonal flooding in Chiang Mai including flood protection initiatives, as well learn about community prevention methods

DINNER CRUISE

Unwind after a day of activities with a river dinner cruise and a delicious Northern Thai dinner with local CMU buddies

WEEK 2

INDUSTRY VISIT - ELEPHANT CAMP

Meeting the owners and managers of the camp, students will learn about the transition from a 'theme park elephant attraction' to an elephant rehabilitation and sanctuary. This visit will also highlight the lessons learned from flooding which impacted the camp's operations.

THAI WAY OF LIFE

Promotion of local lost knowledge, customs and wisdom is important in sustainability to ensure the knowledge continues to be passed on from generation to generation. During these sessions, students will learn more about local traditions and customs related to **fabric dyeing**.

OVERNIGHT HOMESTAY

This overnight visit introduces students to climate change driven flooding and community based water management in upland watershed, highlighting local adaptation strategies outside of the city. Tea Pillow making workshops with local host family before dinner

ELEPHANT NATURE PARK

Students will spend the day taking care of their own elephant for the day including feeding and bathing before taking a jungle/river walk.

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