

# TMDU: Tokyo Medical and Dental University

## [Chulalongkorn University- Tokyo Medical and Dental University Research and Education Collaboration Center]



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## Introduction

### About TMDU

Tokyo Medical and Dental University is the only specialized life science university in Japan that has both undergraduate and graduate programs in medicine and dentistry. Undergraduate programs prepare students to be medical doctors, nurses, lab technicians, dentists, or dental hygienists; graduate programs abound in Medical and Dental Sciences, Health Sciences, and Biomedical Sciences (Education Division and Research Division). Graduates typically go into research), education, government work or private practice.

Many TMDU faculty members teach at one of our specialized research institutes, such as the Medical Research Institute and the Institute of Biomaterials and Bioengineering.

## Major activities

### Background

Tokyo Medical and Dental University (TMDU) and Chulalongkorn University (CU) have a long history of friendship and close mutual cooperation, starting with the signing of an academic collaboration agreement between the TMDU Faculty of Dentistry and the CU Faculty of Dentistry in 1991. Before the initiation of the project entitled "Core University Program in Dentistry (1996-2005)", the universities cooperated in a training program for young professors (JSPS, 1992-1994), a symposium at CU on cutting-edge biomaterials research at TMDU (1993), and an international academic research study on serious maxillofacial defects (MEXT, 1993-1995). In 2002, the TMDU Faculty of Medicine and the CU Faculty of Medicine signed their own academic collaboration agreement. In furtherance of these agreements, and to promote integrated academic collaboration and scholarly exchange between the two universities, the presidents of both university agreed to establish the CU-TMDU Research and Education Collaboration Center at the CU Faculty of Dentistry on November 23, 2009.



**Mission** The mission of the Center is to :  
support the following activities

- Promote Collaborative research based on the needs of the respective countries and regions
- Supply information on research and education at TMDU and studying in Japan
- Provide continuing education opportunities in medicine and dentistry to Thai's TMDU alumni.
- Provision of medical and dental information to Japanese residents in Thailand

### Current Activities

- Joint Degree Program (JDP) between TMDU and CU, which is the very first JDP in Japan, was signed and established in Nov. 2015.
- TMDU students from Faculty of Dentistry joined short term exchange program and learned Thai dental education and dental treatment at Srinakharinwirot University under Re-Inventing Japan Project.
- TMDU dental students attended Research Day in CU and won a prize, while CU students joined Research Day in TMDU.
- TMDU School of Health Care Sciences and CU Faculty of Allied Health Sciences undertook training in the field of health care sciences and held an academic exchange.
- Project Semester training for students in the Faculty of Medicine was held at CU.

