

BTEC Graduates from RIC Ready Themselves to Study Abroad



RIC Bangkok is holding its graduation ceremony for their BTEC students (Business Technology Education Council) at the RIC Campus Hall of Ceremonies on Tuesday, 18th July 2017. The BTEC Higher National Diploma (HND) is a 3-year international program with two years of applied studies in Bangkok and one year of continuing education abroad. (BTEC HND 2 + 1 Bachelor's Degree).

- RIC is the first educational institute to bring the BTEC programmes to Thailand. BTEC qualifications are the largest set of business and technical qualifications in the UK.
- BTEC uniquely offers students a first class education based on applied learning concepts as well internationally recognised vocational and educational qualifications. As reported in Wolf's report for the Department of Education in the UK, students studying BTECs have better employment opportunities compared to regular university graduates due to the nature of the curriculum and study programme. BTEC has established a solid reputation for academic excellence by offering real world solutions through applied learning platforms that give students the necessary skill set to succeed in their chosen careers.
- The Graduation Ceremony will highlight students that have graduated with a BTEC Higher National Diploma (HND) in Business Studies and who will then head to the UK to study for one further year at a UK University to complete their Bachelor's degree.

Bangkok - Tuesday, 18th July 2017: RIC is proudly holding the BTEC Graduation Ceremony. Parents, students, dignitaries and guests are attending this event at the RIC campus. Event highlights include the showcasing of work and achievements by students including award winning projects.

Guest of Honour at the ceremony will be Mr Simon Young, Qualifications Director (BTEC & Pearson) for Asia-Pacific. Mr Young will be travelling to Bangkok specifically for the event. Dr Virachai Techavijit, Chairman of Regent's International School and College, Mr Nitin Dutta, Executive Director of RIC and Mr Warren Stanworth, Academic Director of RIC will be hosting the event. "This graduating class represents another crowning achievement of the success of BTECs in Thailand. This programme is a blended format of lectures, applied learning techniques, vocational training and real world practical experience that sets students up for success as they embark on the next year of academic studies abroad. This is the future of learning and is already a growing global trend" stated Mr Simon Young.

Notes for Editor:

About BTEC

BTEC (Business and Technical Education Council) originates from the United Kingdom. It encompasses the biggest range of business and technical courses in the UK having about 5500 qualifications to offer across a range of industries. BTEC Level 3 qualifications are the most popular alternative to IB and A-Level qualifications and enrol over one million students worldwide every year. BTEC education programmes lead to bachelor degrees from 250 universities in the United Kingdom, Australia, the United States, and a number of other countries.

● In 2015, 1 in 4 students who got into university in the UK did so with a BTEC (UCAS report - Progression Pathways January 2016)

- 4 out of 5 of BTEC students go on to receive a First or Second class degree (The outcomes associated with the BTEC route of degree level acquisition, London Economics 2013)
- 37% of businesses prefer recruits to hold a mix of academic and vocational qualifications or value them equally (Inspiring Growth: Pearson/Skills CBI Skills survey 2015)
- Learners who hold BTEC qualifications have high rates of progression between learning levels compared to other types of vocational qualification (Department for Business, Innovation and Skills – October 2015).

RIC and Regent's International School Group

- RIC International College, is a collaboration between the Regent Bangkok Education Group and International Vocational and Business Education (IVBE).

- RIC provides higher education to students delivering international academic and practical knowledge useful to succeed in life and the workplace.

- RIC accredited programmes deliver the necessary skills required to start successful professional careers or to pursue further academic studies.

RIC is an initiative of Regent's International School, Thailand in association with IVBE. RIC aims to provide premium international higher education opportunities in Thailand. Current qualifications available at RIC:

- University of London International Programmes Bachelor's degree courses: BSc (Hons) in Accounting and Finance, Banking and Finance, Business and Management or Economics and Management, with all academic direction led by the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE).

- BTEC Level 3 qualifications, also known as National Diplomas, are an alternative to IB (Diploma) and A-Levels and are accepted as entry requirements by international universities.

- BTEC HND (Higher National Diploma) Level 4 and 5 qualifications are the equivalent to the first two years of study at a UK university and can be followed by one further year of study at a UK university to complete a Bachelor's degree. At RIC, students study the first two years here in Thailand and follow up with a year at a UK university of their choice.

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