

WHY STUDY KHMER LANGUAGE?

For Students, Professionals, Scholars or Entrepreneurs — There is an urgent need for professionals, entrepreneurs and scholars trained in Khmer and in Khmer culture. Individuals having a command of Khmer are indispensable in the support of U.S. national and international interests, notably in the pursuit of U.S. political, economic, environmental, and technological policies in Asia, and in assisting in the restoration of stability and prosperity to Cambodia.

GET AN EDGE ON CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Career opportunities for individuals fluent in Khmer are numerous both in the public and private sectors, including profit and nonprofit national and international entities and the U.S. government. A knowledge of Khmer is obviously necessary in most scholarly endeavors relating to the history and political development of Cambodia.



Visit Cambodia now,
meet its people,



taste its exotic cuisine,



and view the splendid
ancient temples



found in all parts of
the country.

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THE KHMER LANGUAGE PROGRAM AT UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII



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ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Coursework in Khmer at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa (UHM) is offered by the Department of Hawaiian and Indo-Pacific Languages and Literatures and includes four levels of study (see below). Courses on other aspects of Cambodia (such as history, anthropology, archeology, art, art history, historic preservation, economics, environmental studies, peace studies, business, and asian studies) are offered by experts on the staff of other UH departments.

FULFILLING THE LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT AND THE CERTIFICATE IN KHMER

Introductory and intermediate coursework in Khmer may be used to fulfill the foreign language requirement for all bachelor's degrees on the Manoa campus. Upon completing 15 credit-hours beyond the intermediate level with a 3.0 GPA in his/her coursework, the student may apply for a certificate in Khmer.

COURSES OFFERED

CAM 101/102	Beginning Khmer (4)
CAM 105	Web Based Reading & Writing for Beginning Khmer (2)
CAM 201/202	Intermediate Khmer (4)
CAM 205	Web Based Reading & Writing for Intermediate Khmer (2)
CAM 301	Third-Level Khmer (3)
CAM 302	Third-Level Khmer (3)
IP 399	Directed Reading (1-3)
CAM 401	Fourth-Level Khmer (3)
CAM 402	Fourth-Level Khmer (3)
CAM 415	Khmer Language in the Media (3)
IP 499	Directed Reading (1-3)
CAM 451	Structure of Khmer (3)
CAM 452	Structure of Khmer (3)



ABOUT THE LANGUAGE

Khmer is the official language of Cambodia and one of the major languages of Southeast Asia. It is spoken by eleven million people in Cambodia and nearly three million more outside Cambodia. It belongs to a family of languages widely distributed in southern Asia and is the idiom of one of the earliest of the great nation-states in the region. As such it is the vehicle of sophisticated forms of architecture, the plastic arts, music, dance, literature and statecraft which are transmitted to Cambodia's neighbors and which are still admired today. The writing system it employs is a member of the Indic script family, which spread from India into Inner Asia and all of Southeast Asia except Vietnam. Khmer is non-tonal but has vowel distinctions not found in English; its grammar is uncomplicated, with neither verb conjugations nor noun declensions, and is not unlike that of English.

FELLOWSHIP & SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Other grant opportunities available to students and professionals for advanced study of Khmer, research and internship. For example: Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowships – up to \$11,000; David L. Boren Graduate Fellowship – up to \$28,000; Blakemore Freeman Fellowship – up to \$19,000; the Freeman Foundation – up to \$7,000. For details on these and other fellowships refer to website: www.hawaii.edu/khmer or khmer.hawaii.edu.

There are a variety of opportunities to study

STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM / ARCHEOLOGICAL PROJECT / EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

Khmer and other academic subjects or to intern in Cambodia, earning university credit:

ASK — The Advanced Study of Khmer (ASK) Summer Abroad Program is an intensive six week summer course that offers a fellow-

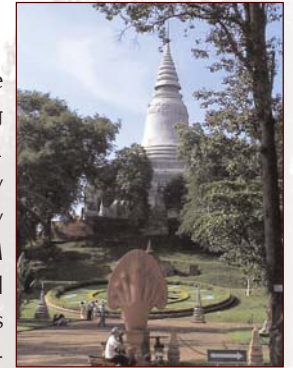


ship up to \$3,000 per student to study Khmer language at the Royal University of Phnom-Penh, Cambodia (RUPP).

Established and sponsored by the Center for Southeast Asian Studies at UHM, this program is directed by Dr. Sak-Humphry. Funded by the

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LOMAP — The Lower Mekong Archaeological Project, sponsored by the Archaeology Department at UHM and the Royal University of Fine Arts



at Phnom-Penh, provides academic and field training opportunities for students and professionals.

Exchange Programs — Ambitious students wishing to design their own programs may do so through the UHM Study Abroad Center at www.studyabroad.hawaii.edu.

