

# Personal History

# Dr. Adirek Lokanang

Nickname: Ood

**Hometown**: Ban Nam Kam, Village No. 1, Nam Kam Subdistrict, That Phanom District, Nakhon Phanom Province

...Born into a farming family, in a large, warm family. Grew up like a typical rural child, living amidst pure nature, under the shade of Buddhism. As a child, he ordained as a novice several times (during summer break) and studied the monastic discipline until he became faithful and was ordained as a monk at the age of 39. He disrobed at the age of 53, totaling 14 years in the monkhood. The highest ecclesiastical title he received was "Phra Kru Sangharak" (a title of a royal rank in the Dharma class). He is always interested in learning, especially in philosophy, religion, science, and art.

...His motto is: "Live humbly, aim high."

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# Subjects Taught

- Theravada Buddhist Philosophy
- Introduction to Philosophy
- Introduction to Political Philosophy
- Independent Studies in Buddhism
- Mahayana Sutras

- General Religions
- Practical Dharma 1-6
- Introduction to Logic
- Abhidhamma Pitaka
- Mahayana Buddhism
- Buddhist Studies Seminar
- Buddhism and Women
- Buddhism and Science

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Position: Lecturer, Buddhist Studies Program

Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University, Nakhon Phanom Buddhist College

Work History

# Thai Sangha

#### **Positions**

- Secretary to the Deputy Abbot of Khamcha-i District, Mukdahan Province, 2011-2019
- Dhamma Missionary, Line 6, 2012-2020
- Monastic Disciplinarian for Mukdahan Province, 2013-2019
- Overseas Dhamma Missionary, Wat Phra That Phanom, America, 2021-2024

### Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University

#### **Positions**

- Currently: Lecturer, Buddhist Studies Program, MCU, Nakhon Phanom Buddhist College, 2025
- Lecturer, Buddhist Studies Program, MCU, Ubon Ratchathani Campus, 2024-2025
- Lecturer, Buddhist Studies Program, Nakhon Phanom Buddhist College, 2018-2020
- Dhamma Teacher in Schools, 2011-2019
- Head of the Summer Novice Ordination Project, 2012-2018

### Education/Training

### Thai Sangha

### **Completed Courses**

- Nak Tham Ek (Dhamma Studies), Mukdahan Provincial School
- Vipassana (Insight Meditation) Teacher Training Course, Class 13, Region 10 Sangha
- Eastern Region Preacher Training Course, Class 15
- Monastic Disciplinarian Training Course
- Dhamma Missionary Training Course, Head of Dhamma Missionary Class 50

# Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University

# **Completed Courses**

- Bachelor of Arts (Buddhist Studies), Class 60
- Master of Arts (Philosophy), Class 26
- Doctor of Philosophy (Philosophy), Class 15

• New Generation Researcher (Luk Kai) Project, Class 10

### Academic Articles, Books, and Textbooks

- Applied Buddhist Ethics for Humans and Other Living Beings
- Mudra: Symbolic Codes in Early Buddhist Philosophy
- Arguments Regarding the Creation of Religious Icons in Buddhism
- Logic and Reasoning
- The Concept of Beauty in the Phra That Phanom Stupa
- Collection of Articles on "Contemporary Buddhist Philosophy"
- Art and Morality
- Handbook for Vipassana Teachers
- Theravada Buddhist Philosophy
- Interpretation of the Concept of Liberation through Devotion in the Sukhavativyuha Sutra (Research)

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