VITO COLANO

Program: Thammasat University Exchange, Academic Year

Vito’s Major: Computer Science

Academic Life: I took mostly computer science and math classes which were taught in English. Class sizes were about 30-60 students. Most other students were Thai, with maybe a 3% international population.

Housing: I lived forty minutes outside of downtown BKK. It was still very populated and busy but there were not too many other foreigners and tourists, so it was still a very authentic experience.

Advice for Someone Considering this Program: If you’re looking for warm weather, nice people, and amazing food, this is the place to go. Also, go all year. A semester is great, but the year is a more immersive and rich experience.

What Sets Vito Apart: What sets me apart from other students is the uniqueness of going to Asia for my senior year, especially as a STEM major.

Cultural Differences: In the U.S. people respect your time, but in Thailand people respect your emotional well-being.

“I’ve gotten a lot better at letting things go that are out of my control.”