

Professor Dr. Graham Kenneth Winley

Awarded St. Martin de Tours Award for Excellence in Performance (Second Class)

Citation

Prof. Dr. Graham Kenneth Winley is the Chairperson of the Information Technology Department and the Program Director of the Doctor of Philosophy Program in Information Technology, School of Science and Technology, who has contributed in a distinctive way to improving the teaching and learning, research and the curriculums of the School of Science and Technology undergraduate and graduate programs. He earned his Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics from Macquarie University, Australia, Master of Science in Operations Research from the University of New South Wales and Doctor of Philosophy in Mathematics System Modeling from the University of Wollongong.

Professor Dr. Graham Kenneth Winley has served the Faculty of Science and Technology in various academic capacities: as an administrator, a researcher, lecturer, and adviser. His academic caliber, persevering spirit, strong sense of teamwork, and leadership have motivated faculty members and students to work harder to improve themselves academically through conducting research and pursuing higher degrees. Because of his strong research track record, he was awarded the St. Thomas Aquinas Award for Research (First Class) by Assumption University in December 2009.

His role as an academic adviser cannot be overlooked. He has supervised and advised a number of graduate students while doing their dissertations until their successful completion. Being a conscientious and dependable adviser, he has gained popularity and established good reputation among students in the School of Science and Technology. He was acknowledged by his advisees as someone who is generous with affirmations, a constant source of knowledge, support and encouragement, someone who understands the plight of students who have weak research skills. He pushes them to achieve their goals. He is bestowed with the ability to communicate effectively which has a tremendous power at the problem-solving table especially when his advisees get lost during the research process. He is able to connect with them and communicate his ideas. His comments and suggestions are always well-received.

With all these attributes and applying extensive knowledge and substantial experience in research, he directed two Ph.D. candidates to the successful completion of their dissertations, which have earned the “Outstanding Dissertation Award of Association of Private Higher Education Institutions of Thailand” for the year 2010 and 2011 respectively:

- Mr. Panu Sombutipool for his dissertation entitled “An Investigation of the Adoption of Online Social Networks in Thailand”
- Dr. Jittima Wongwuttiwat for her dissertation entitled “Information Systems Knowledge and Skills: A Comparison of Information Systems Provider and User Organizations in Thailand”

For all his distinguished research and contribution to the field of science and technology and enhancement of the reputation of the University, Assumption University is pleased to confer the St. Martin de Tours Award for Excellence in Performance (Second Class) to Prof. Dr. Graaham Kenneth Winley on this auspicious date of December 24, 2012.

