

**Curriculum Vitae**  
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**CURRENT POSITION**

- Associate Professor of Social Work, Thammasat University, Thailand

**PROFESSORIAL SERVICES**

- Thailand's Licensed Social Workers, License No. 0294
- President of the Thailand Association of Social Workers (TASW)
- Advisor of the Academic and Continuing Education, Department, Social Work Professions Council (SWPC)
- Regional Commissioner of the International Federation of Social Workers-Asia and Pacific (IFSW-AP) to the United Nations

**AREAS OF INTEREST**

Disability policy, professional development and standards, pre-service and in-service training for rehabilitation counselors and social workers, employment of persons with disabilities, and psycho-social aspects of disability.

**EDUCATION**

**Michigan State University**, (2006- 2009)

**Michigan, U.S.A**

**Degree:** Doctor of Philosophy (Rehabilitation Counselor Education)

**Dissertation:** Training needs of rehabilitation practitioners in Thailand: An exploratory study

**University of Wisconsin-Madison**, (2004-2006)

**Wisconsin, U.S.A**

**Degree:** Master of Science (Rehabilitation Psychology)

**Thammasat University**, (1998- 2001)

**Bangkok, Thailand**

**Degree:** Bachelor of Arts (Social Work)

**Concentration:** Medical Social Work

**ACADEMIC HONORS, AWARDS, FELLOWSHIP**

- Fulbright's Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship in Educational Administration, Planning, and Policy at Vanderbilt University, U.S.A. (August 2022-June 2023)
- Prakorn Foundation's Award as the Outstanding Professional Social Worker (2020)
- Thammasat University Recognition Award for a researcher who received an award from an external organization, 2013
- Postgraduate Study Scholarship for master's and doctoral degree in rehabilitation counseling (2004-2009) granted by the Royal Thai Government
- Bachelor's Degree with 1st Class Honors (September 2001)
- Thammasat University Outstanding Academic Performance Award (Gold medal), (June 2001)

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

November 2011-Current	Full-time faculty member (Tenure track), Faculty of Social Administration, Thammasat University, Thailand.
January 2010- September 2011	Social Development Officer, the National Office for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities Bangkok, Thailand Ministry of Social Development and Human Security
January-August 2002	Social Worker, National Cancer Institute, Thailand
Fall 2009	Teaching Assistant, CEP 470: Disability in a Diverse Society (baccalaureate level), Michigan State University, U.S.A.
Fall 2008	Teaching Assistant, CEP 870: Foundation in Rehabilitation Counseling (graduate level), Michigan State University, U.S.A.

## **WORK-RELATED TO PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS**

1. The working group on developing the standards for the performance of staff and social workers who work in child protection. Department of Children and Youth Affairs Ministry of Social Development and Human Commitment
1. The subcommittee on drafting the Social Work Professional Code of Conduct regulations and drafted the standard of service of social work practitioners. Council of Social Work Professions
2. The Working Group on analyzing the standards of social workers, the Council of Social Work Professions.
3. The Committee assesses welfare standards in disability protection and development facilities and autistic person development centers. Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Development and Human Security.
4. Working Group on developing the Standardize Bachelor's and Graduate Qualifications in Social Work, Faculty of Social Work, Thammasat University, together with the Thailand Association of Social Work and Social Welfare Education.

## **PRACTICUM/INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE**

**PAR Rehabilitation, Inc.** (June-August 2008)

**Michigan, U.S.A**

**Position:** Rehabilitation Counselor

- 120 hours clinical practicum in a private rehabilitation setting where psychological and vocational assessment and evaluation were provided

**Division of Vocational Rehabilitation**

**Wisconsin, U.S.A**

**Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development**

(September-December 2004 and September-December 2005)

**Position:** Rehabilitation Counselor

- 120 hours of practicum and 600 hours of internship as a vocational rehabilitation counselor in a state vocational rehabilitation agency.
- Conducted vocational rehabilitation counseling and case management services

**Access to Independent, Inc.** (January-May 2005)

**Wisconsin, U.S.A**

**Position:** Rehabilitation Counselor

- 120 hours practicum at Independent Living Center
- Developed informational research on services available/accessible for persons with disabilities in the Madison city area.
- Provided information and referral service coordination for persons with disabilities and their families

### **SELECTED PUBLICATIONS/RESEARCH**

- Cheechange, K., Kotbungkair, W., Arunsangsuree, & S., Vichit, S. (2023). Leaving no one behind: Analysing the inclusiveness of the disability grant scheme in Thailand. In Rossi, A. & Villanueva, R. (Eds.), *Social protection in East Asia and Pacific: From evidence to action for children*. (pp. 73-88). The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) Regional Office for East and Asia Pacific.
- Flesichin, P. et al. (2022). In Congress, E. P., Meister, D., Osborn, S. C., & Takooshian, H. (Eds.). *Behavioral Science in the Global Arena: Global Health Trends and Issues* (pp.43-57). Van Haren Publishing.
- Naramas, K., Rungroekrit, C., Kotbungkair, W. (2019). Accessibilities, Social Participation, and Support for Students of The TU Students with Disabilities Program. *Journal of Social Work*, 27(2), 103–130.(in Thai)
- Kotbungkair, W., et all. (2019). Policy Implementation Analysis on Disability Grant of Thailand. Proposed to UNICEF Thailand.
- Chen, R. K., Blankenship, C. J., Austin, B. S., Cantu, V. C., & Kotbungkair, W. (2016). Hiring of people with disabilities: Perceptions of Hispanic small business owners. *Journal of Vocational Rehabilitation*, 45(2), 185–196. <https://doi.org/10.3233/jvr-160822>
- Chen, R. K., Kotbungkair, W., & Brown, A. D. (2015). A comparison of self-acceptance of disability between Thai Buddhists and American Christians. *Journal of Rehabilitation*, 81(1), 53-63.
- Kotbungkair, W. (2013) Opportunities, Challenges, Readiness, and Future Directions of Disability Development for Entering ASEAN proposed to the National Office for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities.
- Chen, R. K., Jo, S. J., Ong, L. Z., & Kotbungkair, W. (2007). Rehabilitation services and training in South Korea, Malaysia, Singapore, and Thailand. *Rehabilitation Education*, 21(4), 231-240.
- Kotbungkair, W. & Sriarkha, S. (2013). Disability, Poverty, and Livelihood. *Proceedings of Thailand the 5<sup>th</sup> National Seminar on Disability*. (Article in Thai)
- Kotbungkair, W. (2012). Case management: A tool for effective service coordination. In *Science and Arts of Medical Social Work Practice* (pp. 117-144). Bangkok: J. Print. (Article in Thai)
- Serrano et al, (2014). *Labour laws and practices in ASEAN: A Comparative Study on Gender Equality, Employment of Persons with Disabilities, Youth Employment and Social Dialogue (Volume 2)*. Singapore: SC (Sang Choy) International Pte Ltd.