

Editor's Note

Greetings!

I have both good news and sad news to report in this issue of the *Silpakorn University Journal of Social Sciences, Humanities, and Arts*. For the good news, I am delighted to inform our readers that the journal has received increasing interest and attention from scholars in Thailand and other countries; papers have been submitted by scholars and graduate students from many fields of study and research. This first issue of 2013 is remarkably full with 12 papers plus a book review. The papers in this issue vary in discipline and academic focus under the umbrella of social sciences, humanities and arts. Included are papers in education, economics, sociology, political science, social work, language, and archaeology. In addition, Associate Professor D. Troy Case from the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, North Carolina State University, USA, has agreed to serve as an additional member of the editorial board. Dr. Case is a physical anthropologist, with a strong interest in bioarchaeology, and has worked in the field for two decades. While we welcome a new member to the editorial board, we also learned that Assistant Professor Supaporn Nakbunlung from Chiangmai University, a very active member of our editorial board, passed away on March 10, 2013. We were very sad to hear this news and I would like express my deepest condolences to her daughter and relatives. She will be greatly missed.

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