**Country:** Thailand (TH)

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| ● Thailand has a casual dating culture with freedom for both women and men to date freely.  
● Outside of major cities, PDA such as kissing is frowned upon. In larger cities it is more accepted.  
● Contrary to what some may assume, sex work is illegal in Thailand. | ● Legal age to buy/consume alcohol: 20  
○ Thailand has a casual drinking culture with alcohol as apart of Thai hospitality.  
● During certain Buddhist holidays it’s illegal on certain religious days to sell and drink alcohol in public places.  
● Thailand has some of the strictest drug laws in Asia with all possession and usage illegal. |

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| ● Same sex relationships and activity is legal  
  ○ LGBTQ businesses and spaces can be found across major cities  
  ○ Thailand has a reputation as an LGBTQ friendly destination. While this is true in many senses, there is still discrimination faced by the community. | ● Population: 71.6 million  
● Currency: Thai Baht  
● Official Language: Thai  
● Often referred to as ‘the Land of Smiles’, Thailand is renowned for the welcoming and warm disposition of its culture and people. |

**Resources**

191 Emergency number  
+66 country code

- **DU’s Travel Assistance**
  - Phone: +1 443-569-8601 / Website: dutravelassistanceprovider  
  - Please use DU credentials to sign in
- **Student Support Program (My SSP): 24/7 Mental Health Support**  
- **U.S. Department of State Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP): travel.state.gov**

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