

ACICIS Study Indonesia

Australian Consortium for 'In-Country' Indonesian Studies



Non-profit (self-funding) international consortium of 26 universities:

- Established in 1994 to overcome the substantial academic, bureaucratic, and immigration impediments that had prevented Australian students from undertaking credited semester study at Indonesian universities.
- Includes 24 universities from Australia and 1 each from the Netherlands (Leiden University) and the United Kingdom (SOAS, University of London).
- Governed by a National Reference Group, and coordinated by a Secretariat based at the University of Western Australia, Perth.
- Has sent nearly 2,000 participants to study in Indonesia, with 197 participants in 2015.
- In the last 5 years 93% of participants have been Australians (from 26 universities), and 7% of participants have been non-Australians (from 16 universities).
- Has offices in Yogyakarta (10 staff), Jakarta (7 staff) and at the University of Western Australia (7 staff).
- Provides detailed program information on a comprehensive website www.acicis.edu.au.

ACICIS:

- Provides students with the best possible educational experience in Indonesia, in a safe, secure and supportive environment.
- ACICIS programs are accessible to any university student from any university.
- Prior to the establishment of ACICIS, virtually no Australian student had undertaken semester-long study in Indonesia for credit.
- So successful is the ACICIS model that the Asian Studies Association of Australia has proposed that similar consortia be established to provide in-country study for learners of Arabic, Hindi and Vietnamese.
- In 2008 the Australian Learning and Teaching Council (ALTC) presented ACICIS with its prestigious national award for 'Programs that Enhance Student Learning'.
- ACICIS founder and Director Professor David Hill was awarded an ALTC National Teaching Fellowship to develop a national strategic plan for the rejuvenation of Indonesian language teaching at Australian universities.
- In 2012 ACICIS was highlighted in the 'Australia in the Asian Century' White Paper as a 'successful model for in-country learning'.

Current Study Options include:

Study Option	Taught in	University	City
Flexible Language Immersion	Indonesian	Gadjah Mada University	Yogyakarta
Field Study Program	Indonesian or English	Parahyangan University	Bandung
Islamic Business, Law & Society	English	Indonesian Islamic University	Yogyakarta
International Relations Program	English	Parahyangan University	Bandung
Development Studies Immersion	English	Gadjah Mada University	Yogyakarta
Language Teacher Immersion	Indonesian	Sanata Dharma University	Yogyakarta
Business Professional Practicum	English	Atma Jaya University	Jakarta
Development Studies Professional Practicum	English	Atma Jaya University	Jakarta
Journalism Professional Practicum	English	Atma Jaya University	Jakarta
School Tours	English		Yogyakarta
Indonesia From the Ground Up	English		Java

Student Outcomes:

- Internationalises the student's educational experience by taking part in a challenging, academically tailored study abroad program offering high levels of pastoral care.
- Produces employment-ready, cross-culturally aware graduates with the ability to understand the world from a global perspective.
- Enhances Australia-Indonesia people-to-people relations.