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HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY WELCOMES NEW INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS WITH COMPREHENSIVE ORIENTATION PROGRAM



The International Office (IO) at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) recently hosted the International Students Orientation (ISO) on Thursday, October 24, 2024, starting at 1:00 p.m. Makassar time. Held in Meeting Room A on the 4th floor of the Rectorate Building, the ISO welcomed 15 new international students from various scholarship schemes, including the *Kemitraan Negara Berkembang* (KNB) or Partnership of Developing Countries Award, the LEAD Scholarship, and the Presidential Scholarship.

The session opened with welcoming remarks by Prof. Sumbangan Baja, Ph.D., (UNHAS Secretary), who was accompanied by Dr. Andi Masyitha Irwan, Head of the IO, along with IO Secretary, task forces, and staff members. The orientation's agenda included comprehensive presentations designed to introduce new international students to key aspects of university life and policies. Dr. Andi Masyitha Irwan kicked off the presentations with an overview of Hasanuddin University, followed by a session on academic regulations led by Risma Illa Maulany, Ph.D., (Director of Education).

To address practical aspects of staying in Indonesia, representatives from the Makassar Immigration Office explained visa and immigration rules. The Director of Student Affairs, represented by Muh. Irdham Ferdiansyah, Ph.D., Head of the Sub-Directorate of Student Affairs, then covered the university's Student Code of Conduct, ensuring students are well-informed about behavioral expectations. The orientation concluded with a session on Cross-Cultural Understanding, led by Muhammad Ridwan, M.A., IO Secretary. This session aimed to ease the students' transition to UNHAS and help prevent any potential immigration issues, equipping them with essential knowledge for a smooth start to their studies in Indonesia.





STREAMLINING INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY: UPDATING OUTBOUND AND INBOUND DATA



The International Office (IO) recently hosted an “Inbound and Outbound Update” for the July, August, and September period to gather the latest data on Hasanuddin University’s mobility programs. Led by IO Task Force member Haniek Khoirunnissa, M.Sc., the event engaged IO Student Volunteers (Stuvo), who were tasked with reviewing the weekly news links published by the IO to identify updates on international academic activities. Each Stuvo member conducted their research individually, presenting their findings during the session. This collaborative approach allowed for a comprehensive overview of recent inbound and outbound exchanges, enriching the team’s understanding of current mobility trends.

The update was attended by several key members of the IO team, including Muhammad Ridwan, M.A. (IO Secretary), Dra. Harniati (Chief of the Foreign Affairs Division), Saaduddin, M.Sc. (IO Task Force), and other IO staff members. Held at the IO Meeting Room on Tuesday, October 22, 2024, the event began at 1:00 p.m. and ran until its conclusion later in the day, facilitating an open forum for discussion and insights on Hasanuddin University’s internationalization efforts.



UNHAS HOSTS 1ST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON HEALTH POLICY AND PUBLIC HEALTH: FOCUSING ON RESILIENT AND SUSTAINABLE HEALTH SYSTEMS



The 1st International Conference on Health Policy and Public Health (ICHP-PH) 2024 aims to discuss and find solutions to increasingly complex global health challenges. This conference will examine ways to strengthen the resilience and sustainability of global health systems. The Rector of Unhas, Prof. Dr. Ir. Jamaluddin Jompa, M.Sc., (Prof. JJ) officially opened this conference. In his remarks, he emphasized the importance of this conference as a crucial step in encouraging innovation and scientific development in the field of public health. He hoped that this conference could become a growing annual agenda. "This conference is an important momentum in our joint efforts to advance science and practice in the field of health policy and public health," he said.

Prof. JJ emphasized that multidisciplinary collaboration is the key to success in overcoming global health challenges. It thus requires multidisciplinary collaboration, involving engineers, scientists, and various other experts. It is a big challenge for faculty leaders to facilitate this kind of collaboration. "Public health as well as health policy issues are very important global issues. I am confident that this conference will generate new ideas and innovative solutions that are not only relevant to Indonesia, but also to the international community," Prof. JJ said. On the same occasion, Dr. Balqis, SKM, MSc. PH, M.Kes, as the chairman of the committee in her report said that the theme of the conference "Developing Resilient and Sustainable Health Systems" is an issue that is very relevant to current global health challenges. "In order to discuss this big issue, we have invited experts from various renowned universities, both at home and abroad," she said.

Prof. Sukri Palutturi, SKM, M.Kes., MSc.PH, Ph.D., Dean of FKM Unhas expressed his gratitude to the distinguished speakers who have been willing to attend the conference to share knowledge in their fields. This conference has become an excellent forum for collaborating, sharing knowledge, and producing innovative solutions to address challenges in the field of public health. The 1st International Conference on Health Policy and Public Health (IChP-PH) 2024 presented a variety of interesting sessions, from keynote speakers to scientific presentations. In addition, this conference is also an effective venue for networking and collaboration between participants.

With 10 topics discussed, the conference featured experienced and competent speakers such as Lieutenant General TNI (Ret.) Prof. Dr. Terawan Agus Putranto, Sp.Rad (K), the Minister of Health of the Republic of Indonesia 2019-2020, Prof. dr. Hasbullah Thabrany, MPH, DrPH, Chief of Party, Health Financing Activity, USAID, and international speakers such as Professor Sharyn Davies (Monash University, Australia), Dr. Mayeh Omar (University of Leeds), and Nicolas Farcy (GF Office Indonesia). The conference also included Assoc. Prof. Dr. Haliza Binti Abdul Rahman (University Putra Malaysia), Prof. Dr. Yodi Mahendradhata, M.Sc., Ph.D. (Gadjah Mada University, Indonesia), Prof. Dr. Amran Razak, M.Sc (Hasanuddin University), and Dr. Setya Haksama, drg., M.Kes (Airlangga University).

There were 10 main topics discussed at the conference, including Health Systems and Services, Health Equity and Social Justice, Global Health & International Health, Digital Health & Health Technology, Health Promotion and Disease Prevention, Infectious and Pandemic Diseases, Maternal and Child Health, Chronic Diseases and Non-Communicable Diseases, Environmental and Occupational Health, and Climate Change and Health. The conference lasted for two days, from October 9-10, 2024, with more than 300 participants attending at the Unhas Hotel. Participants were enthusiastic to take part in both seminars and oral and poster presentations.



STRENGTHENING INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION: PROF. HIROKI YABE RETURNS TO UNHAS FOR GUEST LECTURES AND LAB SESSIONS



Prof. Hiroki Yabe, RPT, Ph.D., from Seirei Christopher University, returned to the Faculty of Nursing (FKep) at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) on October 8, 2024, for a visit held in the Faculty Senate Room. The event was attended by the Vice Dean I (Syahrul, Ph.D.) and faculty members from the Physiotherapy Department.

During this visit, Prof. Hiroki Yabe delivered several guest lectures and conducted laboratory practice sessions over a two-week period with the Physiotherapy and Nursing programs. Vice Dean for Academic and Students Affairs, Syahrul, Ph.D., remarked, "This activity is part of the ongoing collaboration between the Faculty of Nursing and Seirei Christopher University, encompassing both student and teacher exchanges. We are working to ensure that this initiative continues each semester."

This collaboration aims to increase the number of international faculty members, contributing to the achievement of Hasanuddin University's Key Performance Indicators (*Indikator Kinerja Utama*).



FROM ARTICLE WRITING TO HUMAN RIGHTS LAW: INSIGHTFUL GUEST LECTURES BY DR. NURUL HIDAYAT AT FACULTY OF LAW, HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY



On October 19 and 21, 2024, the Faculty of Law (FH), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) once again hosted Dr. Nurul Hidayat Binti AB Rahman, a senior academic from the Faculty of Law at Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM), for a guest lecture series. This was Dr. Nurul Hidayat's second visit to FH Unhas, following her previous lecture on October 7 and 8.

In two different sessions, Dr. Nurul Hidayat delivered lectures on scientific article writing, legal research, and human rights (HR). On Saturday (October 19), she presented the topic "ABC in Article Writing: Drafting to Publishing Success," moderated by Ahmad Fachri Faqi, S.H., LL.M, a lecturer in the Department of Civil Law at FH Unhas.

This presentation was the opening session of the "Intensive Training on Writing Articles in Reputable Journals," a regular program organized by FH Unhas. The program specifically targets postgraduate students at the master's and doctoral levels and is now in its fifth batch. In front of around 40 postgraduate students, Dr. Nurul Hidayat shared tips on article writing, covering topics such as identifying research problems, utilizing theoretical frameworks, and selecting the appropriate journals for submission.

On Monday (October 21), Dr. Nurul Hidayat delivered a lecture titled "Law on Human Rights" during a morning session that ran from 8:00 to 10:00 AM. The lecture was intended for students in the State Administrative Law Program at FH Unhas and was attended by around 10 students enrolled in the course. In her presentation, Dr. Nurul Hidayat comprehensively discussed human rights law, covering not only the basic concepts and theories but also the enforcement mechanisms at both international and regional levels. Additionally, she delved into the challenges of balancing human rights with other competing interests.

In the following session, held from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM in Room HK.01 at FH Unhas, Dr. Nurul Hidayat conducted a lecture on "Legal Research Methodology." This guest lecture was organized by the Master's Program in Legal Studies and was attended by approximately 30 participants. Dr. Nurul Hidayat outlined the general types of research, including qualitative, quantitative, and mixed methods. She also explained data collection techniques, such as interviews, focus group discussions, observation, and literature review. Dr. Nurul Hidayat emphasized that a rigorous research methodology is essential to ensure that legal research is conducted with strict standards, producing valid and reliable findings that contribute to the advancement of legal knowledge and practice.

This lecture series was fully supported by the Dean of FH Unhas, Prof. Dr. Hamzah Halim, S.H., M.H., M.A.P., Vice Dean 1 for Academic and Student Affairs, Prof. Dr. Maskun, S.H., LL.M, and the Head of the Undergraduate Law Study Program, Dr. Muhammad Ilham Arisaputra, S.H., M.Kn. In addition to benefiting students by deepening their knowledge of legal research and human rights law and contributing to the achievement of performance indicators, this guest lecture series is expected to strengthen collaboration between FH Unhas and the Faculty of Law at UKM.



ADVANCING MEDICAL KNOWLEDGE THROUGH STUDENT EXCHANGE: FACULTY OF MEDICINE, UNHAS AND LUMC PARTNERSHIP



To realize its vision of becoming a World Class University, the Faculty of Medicine (FK) Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), Makassar, Indonesia, has been collaborating with Leiden University Medical Center (LUMC), Netherlands, through a student exchange program since 2016. Under this program, FK-Unhas sends outbound students to Leiden for three months and receives inbound students from Leiden University. This initiative was formalized in a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in 2014, which was renewed in 2019 under the title of the Reciprocal Student Exchange Program.

For FK-UNHAS students going to Leiden, they participate in one of 16 topics within the Half Minor course, which runs for 10 weeks (equivalent to 10 European Credits or SKS). For Leiden students, those enrolled in the Half Minor on "Infection, Health, and Disease" spend 4 out of the 10 weeks studying at the Faculty of Medicine, Hasanuddin University, Indonesia. Some Leiden students also participate in a similar program at the University of Indonesia.

This year marks the sixth year of the program, which is coordinated annually by Prof. Dr. Sitti Wahyuni, Ph.D., SpParK. During their four weeks at Hasanuddin University (October 1-31, 2024), students receive training and knowledge in the fields of infection and immunology through various stages of research, including sample/data collection, immunological sample analysis, data interpretation, journal reading, manuscript writing, and presentation of results.

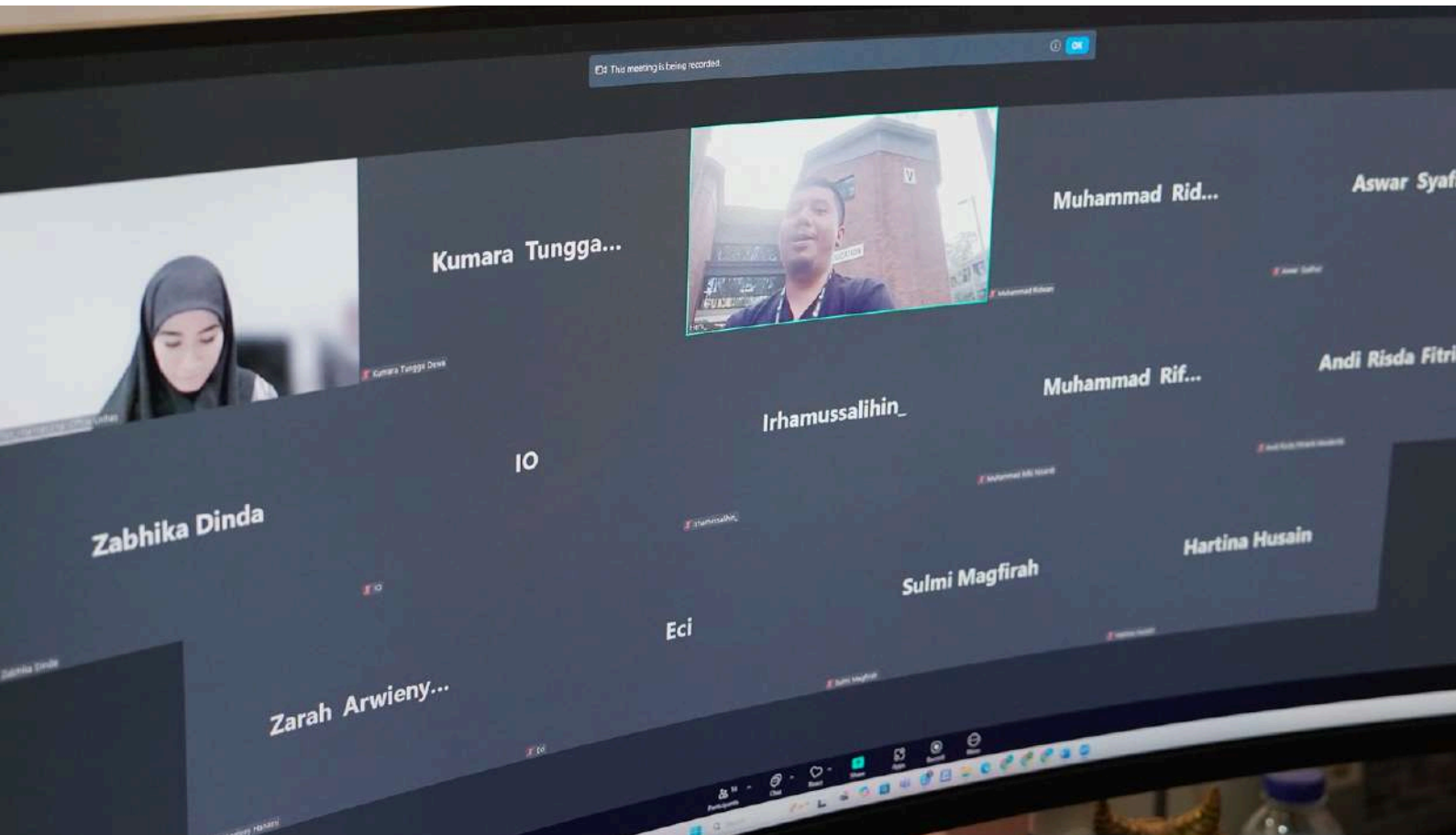
The focus of the 2024 activities is investigating differences in microbial exposure, worm infections, and immune responses among elementary school students in urban and rural areas. Six medical students from Leiden University and eight fresh graduate doctors from Hasanuddin University are involved in this research internship. Supervisors come from both universities. Data collection and health education are directly coordinated by Dr. Sitti Wahyuni and Dr. Munawir, conducted in two schools in Malino, Gowa Regency, and two schools in Makassar City. Sample collection and laboratory testing for worm egg identification are carried out at the Hasanuddin University Medical Research Center (HUMRC) with support from Dr. Rusdina Ladju and Dr. Aldian Irma from FK Unhas, as well as post-doctoral student from LUMC, Dr. Willianne Hope. Data analysis, journal investigations, manuscript writing, and presentation of results are conducted at the Department of Parasitology under the guidance of Prof. Hermelijn Smits, Dr. Sitti Wahyuni, and Dr. Firdaus Hamid. To provide an overview of infectious diseases in Indonesia, participants also visited Wahidin Hospital and Hasanuddin University Hospital.

The research internship, which involves students and faculty from Leiden University, is further leveraged by the Faculty of Medicine to organize guest lectures for the Undergraduate Medical Program, the Specialist Program in Internal Medicine, and the Master's Program in Biomedical Sciences with a concentration in Parasitology. The guest speakers include Prof. Hermelijn Smits and Dr. Willianne Hope from LUMC.

Prof. Dr. Haerani Rasyid, M.Kes, Sp.PD-KGH, FINASIM, Sp.GK, (Dean of the Faculty of Medicine), who oversees this program, hopes it will continue to grow, involving not only undergraduate programs but also other study programs. The research internship is closely monitored and supported by the Vice Dean for Community Service, International Affairs, and Publication, Prof. Dr. Rina Masadah, SpPA(K), M.Phil, DFM. This program enriches the academic, research, community service, and cultural experiences for students and faculty from both institutions, while also providing valuable insights for school students, teachers, and communities where the research and community service are conducted.



FRIDAY OUTBOUND CLINIC: NAVIGATING THE JOURNEY TO STUDY ABROAD



The International Office (IO) at Hasanuddin University recently held its weekly Friday Outbound Clinic (FoC) on Starting your PhD; Making Proposal and Finding Supervisor via Zoom on Friday, October 25, 2024, beginning at 2:00 p.m. Makassar time. This session attracted around 50 participants, primarily graduates interested in pursuing Master's and Doctoral degrees abroad. The featured speaker, Khaeruddin, Ph.D., a member of the IO Task Force. He is currently conducting a joint research at the University of Newcastle, Australia, sharing valuable insights from his own journey to study internationally. Andi Afifah Fayyadhah, S.I.Kom, served as the session's moderator.

During the clinic, Dr. Khaeruddin, known to many as Heru, detailed the challenges he faced in securing a scholarship and recommendation letters from prospective universities. Despite initial setbacks, he persisted in reaching out to his target universities and ultimately succeeded in securing a place at the University of Newcastle's School of Education. His perseverance resonated with attendees, providing inspiration for those aiming to study abroad.

The two-hour session proved highly informative, equipping participants with practical advice and strategies for international study preparation. The FoC continues to be a valuable resource for students and graduates looking to expand their educational horizons beyond Indonesia.

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