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INTERNATIONAL OFFICE HIGHLIGHTS GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT ON UNHAS DAY



UNHAS Day (UD) is an annual event organized by the Directorate of Student Affairs, Hasanuddin University (UNHAS). This year, the event took place at the UNHAS Sport Center, JK Arenatorium, on Saturday, 4 August 2025, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. As in previous years, UD served as a platform to introduce various student unions and clubs such as arts, sports, and reasoning. In addition, the Directorate also introduced several university units that provide essential services and benefits for students throughout their studies at UNHAS.

The International Office (IO) actively participated in the event to promote the university's internationalization program to new students. The IO presented information on its international programs, highlighted opportunities for student involvement, and introduced several international students who are currently studying at UNHAS. Through this initiative, new students were encouraged to explore global engagement and academic collaboration opportunities during their studies.

To add a cultural dimension, the IO booth showcased culinary and beverage specialties from India and Yemen, drawing attention and appreciation from participants. Additionally, visitors could also find displays featuring the IO Squad Team, IO Student Volunteers (Stuvo), and visual materials that captured the office's activities and achievements.

Through its participation in UNHAS Day 2025, the IO reinforced the importance of international exposure for students and emphasized its role in supporting UNHAS's vision of becoming a globally recognized institution.





NEARLY 100 STUDENTS JOIN STUVO BATCH 4 RECRUITMENT AT UNHAS



The International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) recently held the interview session for Student Volunteer (Stuvo) Batch 4 applicants on Sunday, 17 August 2025, at the IO Meeting Room. This recruitment attracted nearly 100 enthusiastic students who share a strong passion for internationalization engagement and supporting UNHAS' global initiatives.

The interview panel consisted of prominent IO leaders and staff, including Andi Masyitha Irwan, Ph.D. (Head of IO), Muhammad Ridwan, M.A. (Secretary of IO), Khaeruddin, Ph.D., and Haniek Khoirunnissa, M.Sc. (IO Task Force Members). They were accompanied by Kumara Tungga Dewa, S.S., and Cahya Aulia Ramadhani, S.I.Kom. (IO Staff), who collectively assessed the candidates' motivation, communication skills, and potential contribution to the program.

This stage marked another important step in the recruitment process, which was officially opened from mid-July to mid-August. Applicants who pass the interview will officially join as volunteers. To ensure commitment and active participation, the IO has set a regulation that any volunteer who remains inactive for two consecutive months will be suspended from the program. This policy is intended to maintain the consistency and dedication of the volunteer team throughout their one-year service.

Once selected, the Stuvo will be actively involved in a wide range of international activities organized by the IO. These include International Student Orientation, International Student Festival, International Student Gathering, Geography Series, and other initiatives that foster cross-cultural exchange and strengthen UNHAS' internationalization agenda.







GLOBAL SPIRIT MEETS NATIONAL PRIDE AT INDONESIA'S 80TH INDEPENDENCE DAY



To commemorate the vibrant moment of Indonesia's 80th Independence Day, the International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) once again involved their international students in the flag-hoisting ceremony. The event took place on Sunday, 17 August 2025, at the Student Activity Center Basketball Arena, where participants gathered to honor the nation's historic milestone.

International students from Syria, Pakistan, Madagascar, Nigeria, and India joined the celebration, proudly wearing their traditional attire. Their presence brought a colorful and unique atmosphere to the ceremony, standing out among other participants while symbolizing diversity and inclusivity at UNHAS.

Beyond participation, the involvement of international students served as a form of soft diplomacy, fostering mutual understanding and cultural exchange. Through this meaningful experience, they gained firsthand insight into how Indonesians celebrate their Independence Day, strengthening the bond between the local and international academic community.



PROMOTING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE: UNHAS AT IPEKA UNIVERSITY EXPO



The International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), together with the Public Relations and Promotion Unit as well as the UNHAS Admission Office, were invited to participate in the IPEKA University Expo (IVERSE). The event was held on Friday–Saturday, 5–6 August 2025, at IPEKA Christian School, located in the Center Point of Indonesia (CPI), Makassar City. IVERSE served as a platform for numerous private universities from both Indonesia and abroad to present their strengths and achievements in front of IPEKA students. UNHAS was the only local public university invited to this prestigious event.

In addition to promoting their universities at designated booths, all participants were required to deliver presentations highlighting their excellence. Representing UNHAS were Muhammad Ridwan, M.A., Secretary of IO, and Nurul Ichsani, M.Si., Head of the Admission Office. The UNHAS presentation was scheduled for four sessions on Friday, running from morning until just before Friday prayers. On Saturday, UNHAS continued its participation by promoting the campus through its booth, though no further presentation sessions were held.

The two-day expo concluded with an appreciation session from IPEKA, which expressed its gratitude to all participating universities. Tokens of appreciation and merchandise were handed over as a gesture of thanks. Through this event, UNHAS not only strengthened its visibility among prospective students but also reaffirmed its position as a leading public university committed to internationalization and academic excellence.



CROSS-CULTURAL MEDICAL LEARNING: NIIGATA AND HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITIES IN ACADEMIC PARTNERSHIP



The Faculty of Medicine, Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), welcomed four inbound students from Niigata University, Japan, to take part in the Summer Exchange Program, held from 19 to 29 August 2025. This program is part of an ongoing academic collaboration between UNHAS and Niigata University, aimed at strengthening international networks, broadening students' global perspectives, and enhancing cross-cultural understanding in the fields of medicine and health.

Throughout the program, the Niigata University students will participate in a series of activities at UNHAS's Faculty of Medicine as well as affiliated hospitals and community health centers (puskesmas). The activities will focus on studying infectious and tropical diseases within the Department of Internal Medicine, in addition to observing firsthand medical examinations and treatments conducted at local puskesmas. Through this initiative, UNHAS continues to demonstrate its commitment to fostering global collaboration and preparing a young generation with strong international competitiveness.



GLOBAL DENTAL SCHOLARS GATHER AT UNHAS FOR SUMMER COURSE AND IDRP



The Faculty of Dentistry (FKG), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), successfully organized the 2nd Summer Course in collaboration with the International Dental Research Program (IDRP), supported by the International Association of Dental Research (IADR). The program was held from 18 to 28 August 2025 and welcomed students from 13 countries, including Romania, Mongolia, India, Tunisia, Pakistan, Malaysia, Egypt, Iraq, Yemen, Sudan, Afghanistan, China, and Indonesia.

The opening ceremony was attended by the Rector of UNHAS, Prof. Dr. Ir. Jamaluddin Jompa, M.Sc.; the Head of the Makassar Health Office, dr. Nursaidah Sirajuddin, M.Kes., representing the Mayor of Makassar; the Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry, Irfan Sugianto, drg., M.Med.Ed., Ph.D., Sp.RKG.; the Director of RSGMP UNHAS, Andi Tajrin, drg., M.Kes., Sp.B.M.M., Subsp.C.O.M.(K); the Secretary of UNHAS International Office, Muh. Ridwan, SS., MA.; the Director of Education Transformation and Learning Innovation, Ir. Sahriyanti Saad, S.Hut., M.Si., Ph.D.; and the Head of the Subdirector of International Education, Dr. Februadi Bastian, STP., M.Si.

This second summer course stood out for its unique and comprehensive design. Besides offering cultural exchange activities, expert lectures from the host university, community engagement, and exploration of South Sulawesi's natural and cultural heritage, the program also integrated hospital visits and active research participation. Students were encouraged to collaborate in producing scientific outputs, with the goal of publishing either a review article or original research.

The combination of academic enrichment, international networking, and cultural immersion positioned the program as a valuable platform for strengthening global collaboration in dental research and education.





STANFORD FULBRIGHT FELLOW ENGAGES FKM UNHAS FRESHMEN WITH DRONE-BASED RESEARCH ON MOSQUITO-BORNE DISEASES



Hundreds of new students from the Faculty of Public Health (FKM) at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) were enthusiastic as they filled the Prof. dr. H. Sirajuddin Beku, S.KM Auditorium on 12 August 2025. This time, the Freshman Orientation Program (PKKMB) of FKM UNHAS presented an unconventional topic, a session that took them beyond national borders and disciplinary boundaries.

The focus was on Morgan Tarpenning, a Fulbright Research Fellow and Merigan Infectious Disease Fellow from Stanford University, United States. In clear terms, Morgan presented the results of his research in Makassar, revealing an unexpected connection between piles of trash and the threat of mosquito-borne diseases such as Dengue Fever (DBD), Zika, and Chikungunya.

Morgan and his team did not rely solely on conventional methods. They used advanced drone technology to map potential mosquito breeding sites, particularly areas where *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes thrive. This technology enabled them to access hidden locations that were otherwise invisible to the naked eye, including discarded tires stuck on building roofs. "This drone method is 2.4 times more effective in identifying discarded tires compared to ground surveys. We found 22% of discarded tires that were completely invisible from the ground surface," Morgan revealed.

This precise data, he continued, is crucial. It can serve as a guide for the government and the community to direct health resources and waste management programs to the most at-risk areas, so that prevention efforts can be more targeted. This research does not stop at visual data alone. A holistic approach is key. Morgan also conducted in-depth interviews with 25 housewives in Tallo District. The aim was to gain a direct understanding of their perceptions, practices, and challenges in managing waste at the household level, both during dry and rainy seasons. This qualitative data was combined with approximately 500 survey data from a collaboration between UNHAS and Stanford University.

Throughout the session, new FKM UNHAS students were actively engaged. Critical questions flowed freely, demonstrating a strong curiosity. Morgan's presence as an international speaker not only enriched their understanding of environmental health issues but also broadened their horizons on how technology and field research can be integrated to create real and beneficial solutions for the community. This special session served as a valuable supplement to the PKKMB, reinforcing FKM UNHAS's commitment to consistently provide relevant, innovative, and directly impactful learning experiences for public health.



JAPANESE SCHOLAR SHARES INSIGHTS AT SPECIALIST CONSERVATIVE DENTISTRY PROGRAM



The Faculty of Dentistry (FKG), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), welcomed Dr. Takashi Hatayama, DDS., Ph.D., from the Department of Cariology and Operative Dentistry, Graduate School of Medical and Dental Sciences, Institute of Science Tokyo, Japan, as a guest lecturer. The lecture, organized by the Specialist Program in Conservative Dentistry, also invited all members of IKORGI (Indonesian Conservative Dentistry Association) Makassar Chapter. The event took place on Friday, 8 August 2025 at 9:00 a.m. CIT at the Molar Room, FKG UNHAS.

The program was officially opened by the Vice Dean for Academic and Student Affairs of FKG UNHAS, Acing Habibie Mude, drg., Ph.D., Sp.Pro., Subsp.OGST(K). In his remarks, he expressed appreciation for the presence of the distinguished guest, hoping the lecture would provide new insights while strengthening FKG UNHAS' academic network with international higher education institutions. The event concluded at 4:00 p.m. WITA and was attended by the Head of the Specialist Program in Conservative Dentistry, faculty members, the Head and staff of the Department of Conservative Dentistry FKG UNHAS, alumni of IKORGI Makassar Chapter, as well as students of the Specialist Program in Conservative Dentistry.

GUEST LECTURE

"Conservative Dentistry Specialist
Programme"

"Predictable Anterior & Posterior
Composite Restorations:
A Deep Dive Into Bonding Science"

Speaker:

Dr. Takashi Hatayama, DDS., Ph.D

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