

FROM REPORTS TO PILOT PROJECTS: IO UNHAS ADVANCES INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL AND ACADEMIC INITIATIVES



The International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) successfully conducted another Focus Group Discussion (FGD) on finalizing the 2025 International Cultural Program (ICP) Special Report. The discussion was held on Friday, 19 September 2025, at the UNHAS Secretary Meeting Room, Rectorate Building, 5th Floor.

The session was attended by Prof. Sumbangan Baja, M.Phil. (UNHAS Secretary), and led by Dr. Andi Masyitha Irwan (Head of IO). Also present were members of the IO squad, including Dr. Saaduddin (ICP Program Manager), Dra. Harniaty (Head of Foreign Affairs Division and Immigration), Haniek Khoirunnissa, M.Sc., and Dr. Khaeruddin (IO Task Force). The IO Secretary, Muhammad Ridwan, M.A. joined later, as he first attended the send-off ceremony for Mandarin students departing to Nanchang University, China.

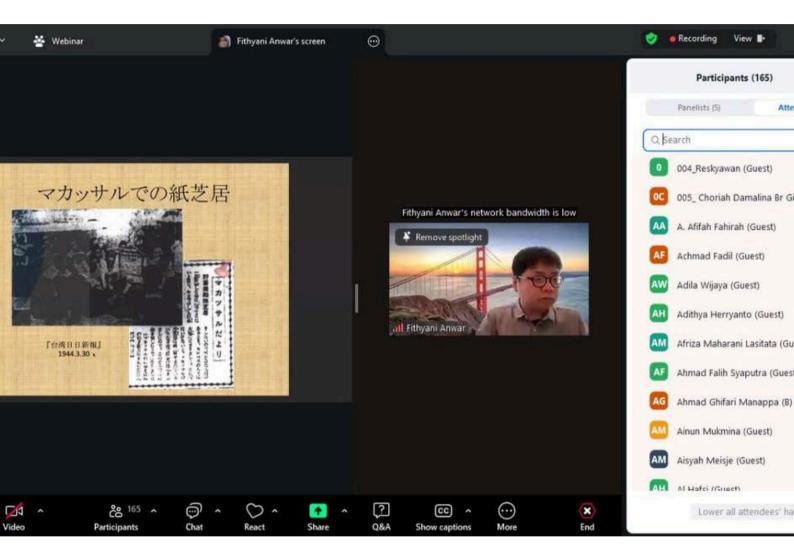
In addition, the meeting was also attended by IO administrative staff members, namely Nasrah, M.Hum.; Kumara Tungga Dewa, S.S.; Anugerah, S.I.Kom.; Erizal Zhafran Muyazzar Edison, S.I.Kom.; Risti Juliani; and Cahya Aulia Ramadhan, S.I.Kom. Each of them contributed in written narrations to complete the ICP report. This process is expected to be finalized within September before being printed.

Another key agenda discussed was the Hasanuddin University–Kanazawa University (UNHAS–KU) Summer Program, which will also be developed into a comprehensive report. Led by Dr. Saaduddin, the team distributed writing assignments to ensure the report is prepared as a pilot project model for foreign universities interested in organizing tailored programs with UNHAS. All narrations for the UNHAS–KU report are targeted for submission by 22 September 2025.

The FGD concluded with a pleasant gathering where participants enjoyed traditional Palembang cuisine, "Mpek-Mpek," reflecting the spirit of collaboration and cultural appreciation that also underpins UNHAS's international programs.



KAMISHIBAI AND THE JAPANESE WAR: INSIGHTS FROM INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARS AT UNHAS



The Japanese Literature Department of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) successfully held an online public lecture titled "The Japanese War and Kamishibai" on Thursday, 4 September 2025. The event drew enthusiastic participation, with over 170 attendees joining the session virtually.

The lecture featured three distinguished guest speakers from Japan, who are currently collaborating in research with the Head of the Department, Fithyani Sensei. Their collaborative research explores the role of Kamishibai in Japan and other countries such as Indonesia and Taiwan during the occupation period.

An engaging Q&A session followed the presentations, sparking numerous thoughtful questions from participants. Although time constraints prevented all inquiries from being addressed, the discussion highlighted students' curiosity and enthusiasm. It is expected that the similar events will continue to broaden students' understanding of Japanese studies and strengthen academic collaboration.









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FACULTY OF NURSING UNHAS AND HANZE UNIVERSITY REINFORCE LONG-STANDING ACADEMIC PARTNERSHIP



Two lecturers from Hanze University of Applied Science, Groningen, The Netherlands, Ms. Sanne Heinen, M.Sc., R.N and Hinke Van Der Werf, Ph.D.,R.N visited the Faculty of Nursing (FKep) at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) for a three-day program on 15-17 September 2025, aimed at strengthening academic and clinical collaboration. The visit began with a warm welcome from the Dean of the Faculty of Nursing, Prof. Dr.Ariyanti Saleh, S.Kp.,M.Si and and all Vice Deans of Faculty of Nursing, Syahrul, S.Kep., Ns., M.Kes., Ph.D.; Dr. Erfina, S.Kep., Ns., M.Kep.; and Dr. Takdir Tahir, S.Kep., Ns., M.Kes. The event also introduced three new Hanze University students who will undertake internships at local hospitals and community health centers in Makassar.

The welcoming ceremony was attended by faculty members, lecturers, and clinical preceptors, marking the beginning of a series of academic activities. During their visit, Ms. Heinen and Dr. Van Der Werf delivered guest lectures to nursing students in third and fifth semesters. Ms. Heinen addressed the important topic of Aggression in Mental Healthcare, while Dr. Van Der Werf spoke on Planetary Health, highlighting the impact of environmental factors on human well-being. In addition to academic sessions, the faculty arranged student evaluations to identify areas for improvement in the upcoming internship programs. Discussions also explored opportunities for further research collaborations and outbound student exchange programs between UNHAS and Hanze University in 2026.

The lecturers and students, accompanied by an internationalization team from Hanze University, also visited Wahidin Sudirohusodo Hospital (RSWS), and UNHAS's teaching hospital. There, they engaged with clinical preceptors and visited the facilities where students will be completing their internships. The visit highlights the strong partnership between the two institutions that has been long established. Both expressed optimism about continuing and expanding their collaboration in the future.



DUAL SUCCESS AWAITS: 13 UNHAS STUDENTS PURSUE 2+2 JOINT DEGREE IN CHINA



On Friday, 19 September 2025, the Mandarin Language and Chinese Culture Study Program, Faculty of Cultural Sciences (FIB), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), held a send-off ceremony for 13 students from the 2023 cohort departing for China to participate in the 2+2 joint degree program between UNHAS and Nanchang University.

The event was officially opened by Dr. Ansariadi (Director of Partnership) and attended by Dr. Februadi Bastian (Head of Subdirectorate of International Class Management), Muhammad Ridwan, M.A. (International Office Secretary), Dian Waru Ungas, M.A. (Head of UNHAS Mandarin Study Program), the person in charge of the Confucius Institute, the CEO of PT. NISCO Morowali, as well as lecturers from the Mandarin Language and Chinese Culture Program and the Faculty of Cultural Sciences.

The 13 students successfully passed a rigorous selection process, requiring them to achieve a minimum of *Hànyǔ Shuǐpíng Kǎoshì* (HSK) or 汉语水平考试 Level 4 proficiency in Mandarin and maintain a minimum grade of "B" across their first four semesters. Through this achievement, they earned scholarships to continue their undergraduate studies for two years at Nanchang University. Upon completing their studies, thesis, and graduation at Nanchang University, the students will return to UNHAS to complete their final graduation ceremony. Through this 2+2 program, they will receive dual undergraduate degrees—one from Nanchang University and one from UNHAS.



FROM CLASSROOM TO HOMEPLACE: UNHAS PARTICIPATION IN BORDER PEDAGOGY FORUM AT NDHU



The Graduate Program of Multicultural Education, Hua-Shih College of Education, National Dong Hwa University (NDHU), Taiwan, hosted an academic event entitled "Border Pedagogy Forum and Workshop: From Classroom to Homeplace" on 13–14 September 2025. The forum was held at NDHU's campus in Hualien and brought together academics, educators, students, and practitioners from various countries. Among the participants were representatives from the Mandarin Language and Chinese Culture Study Program, Faculty of Cultural Sciences (FIB), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS).

The keynote speakers included Prof. Chung Hsiu-Mei (National Cheng Kung University, Taiwan), Dr. Dwi Rosita Sari, M.Pd (Universitas PGRI Madiun, Indonesia), Prof. Duong Minh Thanh (Ho Chi Minh City University, Vietnam), and Khafifa Fuji Lestari, S.Pd., M.Pd (UNHAS, Indonesia). Their presentations addressed critical issues surrounding multicultural pedagogy, cross-cultural engagement, and the creation of academic communities that transcend borders.

On the first day, activities centered on academic dialogue at the Hua-Shih College of Education, exploring topics such as cross-cultural pedagogy, Glocal Field Engagement, and the building of cross-boundary communities among graduate students. The second day took place at Datong Theater, Hualien, featuring a community discussion under the theme "A Communal Way of Life with Neighborly Love and Care." This session highlighted the voices of local Taiwanese practitioners and was followed by a collaborative workshop on "Interweaving and Connecting of Cross Stitch," facilitated by NDHU's master's and doctoral students.

Supported by the New Southbound Policy Project of the Ministry of Education Taiwan and other partner institutions, the forum engaged 70 participants. The event successfully fostered global perspectives, strengthened academic networks, and deepened cross-cultural dialogue, embodying the spirit of communal learning and international collaboration.



THE ART OF HARMONY: UNHAS HOSTS JAPANESE TEA CEREMONY WORKSHOP



The Faculty of Cultural Sciences (FIB), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), through the Department of Japanese Literature, successfully held a Chanoyu Workshop: Experiencing the Spirit of Japanese Tea Ceremony on Tuesday, 16 September 2025, at Aula Mattulada. The event brought participants into the refined world of Japanese culture, showcasing the philosophy of harmony, respect, purity, and tranquility that underpins the traditional tea ceremony.

The workshop was led by Prof. Ishizuka Osamu from the University of Tsukuba, Japan, who guided participants through the meticulous steps of the tea ceremony. With a serene and respectful atmosphere, he demonstrated not only the technical process of preparing matcha tea but also the deeper cultural significance embedded in every gesture. The presence of traditional utensils such as the tea whisk, tea bowl, and kettle further enriched the authenticity of the experience.

Adding to the prestige of the event, Ohashi Koichi, the Head of the Consulate-General of Japan in Makassar, attended and expressed his appreciation for the initiative. His presence symbolized the strong cultural ties and academic collaboration between Japan and Indonesia, particularly through UNHAS. Participants, dressed in yukata and seated in traditional style, had the rare opportunity to immerse themselves in this centuries-old practice.

This workshop did not only serve as a cultural demonstration but also as a living bridge between nations. For students and attendees, it was more than just learning about tea—it was an invitation to embrace values of mindfulness, hospitality, and mutual understanding. Through such programs, UNHAS continues to play an important role in fostering global awareness and intercultural dialogue.





HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF NUTRITION HOLDS 4TH INTERNATIONAL WEBINAR ON SUSTAINABLE NUTRITION



The Department of Nutrition Science, Faculty of Public Health, Hasanuddin University (FKM UNHAS), successfully hosted The 4th International Webinar Series as part of the 3rd International Conference on Nutrition and Public Health (ICNPH). The event, held on Thursday, 18 September 2025, from 08:00 to 13:00 WITA (GMT+8), carried the theme "Sustainable Nutrition for All: Integrating Science, Policy, and Community Actions", highlighting the critical integration of science, public policy, and community-based actions to advance sustainable nutrition for all.

The webinar featured distinguished speakers from both national and international institutions: Dr. Yasmin Ooi Beng Hou (Faculty of Science and Nutrition, University Malaysia Sabah), Helda Khusun, PhD (SEAMEO Regional Centre for Food and Nutrition), and Sabaria Manti Battung, PhD (Department of Nutrition Science, Faculty of Public Health, UNHAS). The session was moderated by Laksmi Triassmita, S.Gz., MKM, faculty member of the Department of Nutrition Science, FKM UNHAS.

In his welcoming remarks, Andi Imam Arundhana, S.Gz., MPH., Ph.D., Head of the Department of Nutrition Science, emphasized that this webinar marked the fourth series organized by the Department. He highlighted the importance of the event in providing the latest scientific updates in the field of nutrition while fostering collaboration across sectors to improve the nutritional status in Indonesia. "This international series not only delivers the latest insights into nutrition science but also serves as a platform to build stronger collaborative networks in addressing nutritional challenges at both national and global levels," he noted.

The webinar was formally inaugurated by Prof. Sukri Palutturi, SKM., M.Kes., M.Sc.PH., Ph.D., Dean of the Faculty of Public Health, UNHAS, who expressed his high appreciation for the initiative and consistency of the Department of Nutrition Science in hosting international seminars. Prof. Sukri underscored that such academic endeavors play an essential role in contributing to solutions for nutritional problems in Indonesia. He further emphasized that the active involvement of academics, researchers, and practitioners in international scientific forums is a concrete step towards addressing complex public health and nutrition issues.

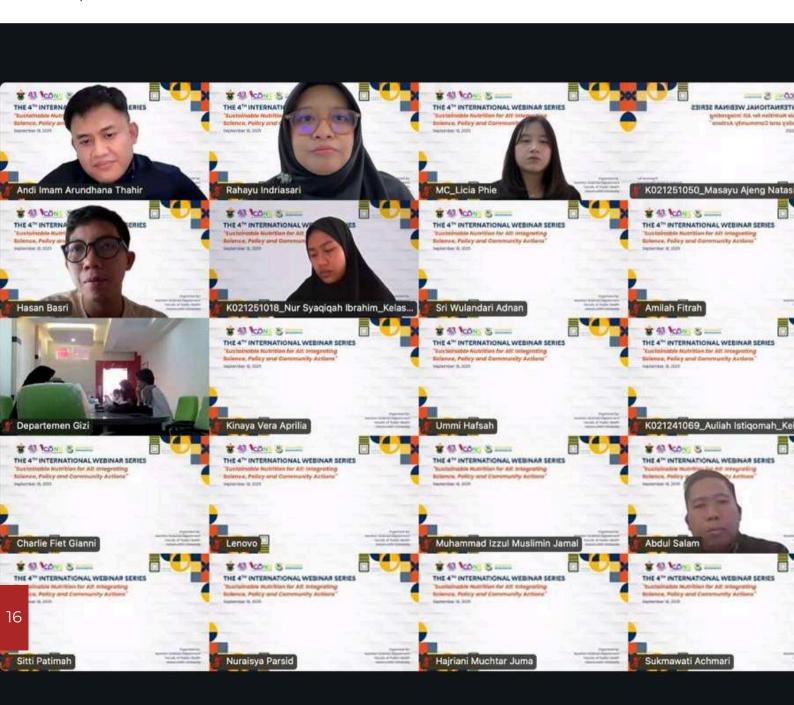
The event was delivered virtually through Zoom Meeting and live-streamed via the official YouTube Channel of FKM UNHAS, reaching participants from diverse institutions across Indonesia and abroad. Notably, participants represented numerous universities such as Makassar State University, Alauddin State Islamic University, Mulawarman University, Alma Ata University, Gorontalo University, Tadulako University, Halu Oleo University, and Jambi University, as well as several Schools of Health Sciences (STIKes) based in Makassar and other regions across the country. This wide participation reflects the growing academic interest and commitment toward advancing nutrition research, education, and practice in Indonesia.



The presentations offered valuable perspectives: Dr. Yasmin Ooi Beng Hou underscored the importance of collaboration between scientists and communities to foster regional nutrition awareness; Helda Khusun, PhD presented the role of research and policy in shaping Southeast Asia's nutrition agenda; and Sabaria Manti Battung., PhD highlighted community-based approaches rooted in local wisdom as strategic models for Indonesia.

By convening experts and stakeholders at the international level, the Department of Nutrition Science, FKM UNHAS, reaffirmed its commitment to advancing knowledge, strengthening global networks, and promoting actionable strategies for sustainable nutrition. The insights generated from this academic forum are expected to contribute significantly to developing evidence-based policies and innovative community actions that support improved nutrition outcomes at local, national, and international levels.

In conclusion, The 4th International Webinar Series served not merely as an academic exchange, but as a collaborative platform uniting scholars, practitioners, and communities under a shared vision: the pursuit of "sustainable nutrition for all."



UNHAS HOLDS FGD ON EQUITY PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION FUNDED BY LPDP



The Directorate for Reputation Enhancement of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) recently organized a Focus Group Discussion (FGD) focusing on the identification of EQUITY programs, a scheme funded by the Indonesia Endowment Fund for Education (LPDP), that will soon be implemented. Led by the Director of Reputation Enhancement, Prof. Rohani Ambo Rappe, Ph.D., the FGD took place on Sunday, 21 September 2025, at the Innovate Room, UNHAS Hotel and Convention, Tamalanrea campus.

The discussion brought together various implementing units of EQUITY-related activities, including the Institute for Research and Community Service (LP2M), the International Office (IO), the Publication Management Center (PMC), the Directorate of Alumni Affairs and the Directorate of Reputation Enhancement team itself. Each unit shared insights and identified priority programs that could be carried out in the near future.

One of the important points addressed in the FGD was the disbursement mechanism of EQUITY funds. It was agreed that the funding, provided through LPDP, would be divided into two phases: 80% for the initial disbursement and 20% for the second. This approach is expected to support financial efficiency and ensure the effective execution of the programs.

Furthermore, the Reputation Enhancement team urged the implementing units to promptly identify programs that are ready for execution. They also emphasized the preparation of all required documents to ensure a smooth fund disbursement process. The FGD served as a key step in aligning EQUITY program implementation with the broader goal of strengthening UNHAS's institutional reputation.

