

UMY Today

Strengthening Assist to International Students, UMY Collaborates with Immigration Office!

The implementation of international student supervision in Yogyakarta is unquestionably complex. As a result, it is necessary to collaborate between the university where students study and the immigration office.

The Yogyakarta Immigration Office paid a visit to the University of Muhammadiyah Yogyakarta on (12/10) to speak about the launch of SIM MASKARYO, a bold initiative to monitor foreign students in Yogyakarta. At the same time, I'd like to learn more about UMY's monitoring and handling of international students on campus.

Immigration office stated that the presence of SIM MASKARYO is expected to be able to facilitate universities in tracing foreign students. The reason is, in this SIM we can access various kinds of information related to international student data, such as visas and residence permits and their validity periods.

According to Andri Indrady, the Head of Immigration Class I Yogyakarta, UMY's service and handling of international students is among the best on the Yogyakarta campus and should be utilized as a model for supervising foreign students. "Considering how much attention is devoted to foreign students on this campus, both in terms of administration and lodging, UMY's service to foreign students is a new thing for me".



Yordan Gunawan the Head of the International Relations Office, welcomed the visit, saying that the collaboration between UMY and Immigration will be very important in monitoring international students. "Hopefully, immigration and UMY will continue to collaborate and synergize in the future to assist international students, particularly in immigration matters." as the meeting ended with photo session



HIGHLIGHTS!

VIRTUAL INDUCTION 2021

OPENING REMAKRS

As the effort to strengthening the internationalization at the UMY, and to provide the new foreign students with comprehensive information about living in Yogyakarta and how campus life works UMY through Cooperation and International Affairs Office held Virtual Induction on (4/10). This Event is opened by The Rector of UMY, Dr. Ir., Gunawan Budiyo MP., IPM.



SHARING SESSION

Along with Moses Tende Stephen, Rana Al Baba, and Abu Jahid moderated by Naufal Bagus from Cooperation and International Affairs held a sharing session. They were on hand as speakers to talk about their experiences as UMY students. During the session, each participant had their own impressions, such as Moses, who was quite impressed when he arrived in Jogja and received all of his welcomes, while he was amazed by the people's kindness and Abu Jahid who love the environment of the campus and its system.

Continues to Grow, UMY Achieves the Top Ranking Universities in Asia!

Various activities and sectors of everyday life have been hampered since the pandemic's start. Educational institutions are no exception. Surviving a pandemic is a challenging task in and of itself. However, with the credo and attitude of "Young and Global," the Universitas Muhammadiyah Yogyakarta (UMY) continues to expand and generate many achievements during the pandemic. This is proved by the university's ranking in the top 500 universities in Asia via QS World University Ranking. For information, The QS World University Rankings is a well-known worldwide organization that ranks universities all around the world.

According to UMY's Rector, Dr. Ir. Gunawan Budiyo, these achievements are in line with campus target to become Research Excellence University on 2020-2025. "UMY remains committed to and strives to strengthen scientific collaborations both at home and abroad." "Our goal is to achieve university greatness and to develop world-class innovations," he stated.

Dr. Mega Hidayati, Head of Organizational Development, at the UMY Planning and Development Office, stated that the increase in UMY's score was due to improvements in international research networks, international faculty, inbound exchanges, and outbound exchanges.

It should be mentioned that UMY engages 180 international professors from various global partner universities. The university also enables international student mobility, which is expanding from year to year. Also, UMY has enabled almost 1,000 international student exchanges, both inbound and outbound, by 2021. UMY has a large number of international students. They are from 31 different nations in Asia, Europe, Africa, America, and Australia.



Furthermore, throughout the last five years, 40 percent of UMY's scientific articles have been published in several respectable journals on a global scale. This is a product of collaboration with international partners. "This rise occurred as UMY optimized online activities in the middle of the current Covid-19 outbreak." Until now, calls for partnership from international colleges have been increasing," Mega said.

For the coming year, UMY aims to be included in the QS World University Ranking (WUR) by expanding its network of research and education collaboration with world-renowned institutions, increasing the recognition of lecturers and graduate users, and increasing the number of research innovations.



UMY Professor Named World's Most Influential Scientist

Conducting research is one of the responsibilities of university lecturers, including Prof. Agus Muntahar M.Eng., who teaches in the civil engineering study program at UMY. Because of his competence and tenacity in study, he was named one of the world's most influential researchers, ranking in the top 2% of the World Ranking Scientist. His dedication in conducting study began while he was still a student.

"My guiding principle is to be able to devote myself to study." Because I recall my teacher's advice to me when I was applying to be a lecturer: 'don't be half-hearted.' Many people used to think that my 20-year career in research would be intriguing to others since it was so brief.



But, in the realm of study, this is my passion. "That desire must be achieved once we have established ourselves; if we are not established, we do not have that passion," he explained.

Prof. Agus has joined the ranks of the world's top researchers with a research focus on landslides in the geotechnical sector. His contribution to this topic has been demonstrated through various joint efforts with UMY,

the Dutch Government, and the Ministry of PUPR to develop a landslide early warning system. Prof. Agus also expects that this research would be beneficial and will result in innovations that are acknowledged both nationally and internationally.

Prof. Agus also stated that universities and the Indonesian government should pay more attention to and value researcher performance. "In Indonesia, these accomplishments have not been recognized and rewarded by receiving various remuneration. This can be a focus of special attention, and I hope that institutions in Indonesia will value more dedicated researchers. Researchers should be given more credit if you wish to establish a high-ranking university.