

GENERAL INFORMATION

DARMASISWA RI PROGRAM FOR FOREIGN STUDENTS

ACADEMIC YEAR 2011/2012

DARMASISWA is a scholarship program extended by the government of the Republic of Indonesia to foreign students from countries with which Indonesia has friendly relations. The programs offered are: Indonesian language, arts, traditional music, traditional dance and crafts. Participants can choose their place of study from the list with the participating universities and colleges.

The main purpose of the DARMASISWA program is to promote and foster the interest in the Indonesian language and culture among citizens of friendly countries and to reciprocate scholarship programs provided by other countries for Indonesian citizens, being at the same time one element of cultural diplomacy.

The DARMASISWA program is essentially a "non-degree" program of one year or less. The participants are prohibited from engaging in any political and/or business activities which may result in destabilizing governmental programs or lead to personal profit/gain.

I. PROGRAM

1. DARMASISWA RI REGULAR PROGRAM – 1 (ONE) YEAR

Regular one-year program is an one-year scholarship program for foreign students from countries with which Indonesia has friendly relations to study Bahasa Indonesia (Indonesian language) or local language, traditional music, dance and craft in selected Indonesian Higher Education Institutions.

2. DARMASISWA RI REGULAR PROGRAM – 6 (SIX) MONTHS

Regular six-months program is a six-months scholarship program for foreign students from countries with which Indonesia has friendly relations to study

Bahasa Indonesia (Indonesian language) in selected Indonesian Higher Education Institutions.

II. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTICIPANTS

1. RIGHTS OF THE PARTICIPANTS

- a. Free of tuition.
- b. Allowance from the Ministry of National Education.
- c. Assistance from the higher education institution to look for rental house/boarding house.
- d. The participants will be welcomed at the airport upon arrival.

2. OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTICIPANTS

- a. Participants are willing to assist the nearest university/higher education institution or school in teaching foreign languages or other academic activities.
- b. Participants have to complete all the scheduled classes.
- c. Participants have to sign the letters of declaration given by the Indonesian Embassies or Consulates General before departure time to Indonesia and by the Ministry of National Education after arrival time in Indonesia. The content of the letter is the following:
 - Participants shall obey all the regulations applied in the higher education institution.
 - Participants shall not demand any change related to the field of study or the place of study before or after being in Indonesia.
 - Participants shall not do criminal actions in any kind or form.
 - Participants shall not engage in any political activities during the period of study or work during the period of their stay in Indonesia.
 - Participants shall not involve into the drugs abuse.
 - During the period of study, the participants are not allowed to go on more than one trip abroad from Indonesia.
 - Participants are prohibited to bring family during the period of study in Indonesia.
 - Participants shall be willing to be repatriated if they break the regulations mentioned above and all regulations due to stay permit in Indonesia.

III. SCHEDULE OF THE PROGRAM

1. All the candidates' applications shall be received by the Ministry of National Education through the Indonesian Embassy or Consulate General as well as by the Higher Education Institution of place of study at **the end of February 2011**.
2. The selection shall be conducted on **the middle of March 2011**.
3. The announcement will be on **the beginning of April 2011**.
4. The confirmation of participants' agreement is on **the beginning of June 2011**.
5. The arrival of participants shall be on **the beginning of August 2011**.
6. The orientation program shall be conducted on **the beginning of August 2011**.
7. The classes will be conducted from **middle of August 2011 until July 2012**.
8. For the participants whose place of study is the University of Indonesia, the classes will be conducted on **the beginning of July 2011**.
9. For the participants of DARMASISWA RI regular six-months program, classes will be conducted from **August 2011 until January 2012**.

IV. VISA ARRANGEMENT

The visa used for joining this program is a *Socio cultural-Visit Visa* that can be obtained through the Embassy of Republic of Indonesia in the country where the participants live. This visa should be converted to a *Stay-Permit* for 1 (one) year upon arrival in Indonesia through facility of the Secretariat of State of the Republic of Indonesia and the Directorate General of Immigration, Ministry of Law and Human Rights.

The participants are **prohibited** to use the *Tourist Visa* to study in Indonesia, since it will have effect in processing the *Stay-Permit*.

V. ACCOMMODATION

The Ministry of National Education does not provide accommodation for the participants.

VI. THE SCHOLARSHIP COVERAGE

The participants will receive a monthly allowance of Rp. 1.500.000,00 (one million and five hundred thousand rupiah).

Since the given allowance could not cover all the daily needs of the participants, the participants are advised to bring additional money in US dollar for unexpected additional expenses in Indonesia.

VII. PROCEDURES OF THE PROGRAM

1. Submit the application to the Indonesian Embassy or Consulate General where the participants live, after having filled the application form which is available at the Indonesian embassies or consulates general.
2. Do the on-line registration at website: www.darmasiswa.diknas.go.id along with attached letter of recommendation from the Indonesian Embassy or Consulate General.

VIII. QUALIFICATIONS OF THE APPLICANTS

Applicants shall:

1. Fill in the application form.
2. Have completed secondary education or its equivalent.
3. Submit a copy of the academic transcript.
4. Be not more than 35 years old.
5. Be in a good health as proven by medical certificate.
6. Submit 5 (five) photos sized 4 x 6 cm each.
7. Submit a full-page copy of passport valid for at least 18 more months.
8. Have a good knowledge of English.

All the candidates' applications can be addressed to:

1. **Head of the Planning and International Cooperation Bureau**
Secretariat General
Ministry of National Education

Building C, 7th floor, Jalan Jenderal Sudirman, Senayan
Jakarta – Indonesia, Postal Code 10270

Telephone : (62-21) 572 4707, 573 8181, or 571 1144 (hunting)
ext. 2610

Fax. : (62-21) 572 4707, 573 8181

Website : <http://darmasiswa.diknas.go.id>

E-mail : darmasiswa_kln@yahoo.com

Or

2. Director of Public Diplomacy

Directorate General of Information and Public Diplomacy

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Jalan Taman Pejambon No.6

Jakarta – Indonesia

Telephone : (62-21) 381 3480

Fax. : (62-21) 385 8035

IX. TRIP OF PARTICIPANTS TO INDONESIA

The Indonesian Government (Bureau of Planning and International Cooperation, Ministry of National Education) does not provide flight tickets to and from Indonesia. The Ministry will cover the trip fee from Jakarta to the city of place of study, whereas the trip fee to return from the city of place of study to Jakarta will not be covered by the Ministry, but by the participants.

X. HEALTH INSURANCE

The Ministry of National Education will not provide health insurance, therefore the participants are expected to have the international insurance.

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