



Editorial

“When it Rains on your parade, look up rather than look down, without the rain there would be no rainbow”. This November, the rainy season has started. The weather is getting cold, but we always have warm news to share. Started by the participation of our International Students in Cultural Festival held by UNSOED Student English Forum (SEF) and ended by our participation in UNSOED Fair 2015. As one of the form of socio-cultural learning, starting from this month, International Program provides a free class for the foreign students to learn Indonesian.

Trip to Banjarnegara



Everything in this world has to be balance, like what the philosophy of the Yin and Yang said. After having a stressful time because of the Mid-Exam held last month, the students also need to refresh. At the end of last month, Saturday, October 31st 2015, our International Students and Intern went to Banjarnegara. This trip was arranged by the Head of International Program, Mr. Agung Praptapa. The Student went to Banjarnegara for and adventure trip to get closer with Indonesian nature and also

rafting. It was an amazing experience for them as for most of them it was the first time they went for rafting and hiking.

The trip was a good occasion for them to have a refreshing activity after the mid examination last month. The trip started with hiking and outbound and ended by rafting. The students say that it was thrilling at first but then it was very exciting. The other thing that make the trip became more valuable for them is that they got to experience and feel the Indonesia’s nature which for most of them is very different with their country’s nature. They also got excited as the rainy season is going to started soon. Especially, for the students from Japan and our intern, they can find heavy rain, like what we have in Indonesia, in their country. They’re more enjoying their stay now, and say that it’s becoming more difficult for them to leave Indonesia. They love Indonesia now.

Cultural Day with SEF

The first weekend of the month, from November 7th – 8th, Student English Forum (SEF) of UNSOED held a Cultural Day Festival. All of the international students and intern were participated at the event. They made booths which display their traditional goods from their countries. The purpose of their attendance is to introduce their culture to local people in Purwokerto.



The Malaysian booth was decorated with the picture of tourist attractions in Malaysia. They introduced their culture and also the study opportunities in Malaysia. Liyan, Ain, and Wani were dressed up in “Baju Kurung”, Malaysian traditional dress, and they also prepared a traditional food from Malaysia called “Nasi Lemak” for the booth visitors.



The Netherland and Japan booth had the most visitors there. They also provided some information about the education opportunities and their culture. Pieter made “wortel stampot”, a traditional Dutch food from potatoes and carrot, for the visitors. The Chinese students introduced the traditional dress of China called “Qibao” at their booth and the Papua students introduced some traditional crafts from Papua.

The students said that they really happy to participated in a cultural festival like this, where they not only have the opportunity to introduce their culture, but also they have the opportunity to the other countries’ culture.

UNSOED Fair 2015



From Saturday, November 21st 2015, until Monday, November 23rd 2015, UNSOED held a annually technology and education fair in Graha Widyatama. Our intern, Pieter Van Nes, participated in the event by being the receptionist of Faculty of Economics and Business booth. He attracts the visitors to come and promote our faculty there. He also helps to promote and sell the products of small-medium enterprises that supervised by our faculty. Unfortunately the Chinese

and Malaysian students couldn’t join because they had to be in Jakarta at that time. It is a good opportunity for the foreign students and intern to come and see the creativity of our industry. They can see the potential goods and market of Indonesia and share some ideas about it. Moreover, they got the chance to know what other faculties of UNSOED from the fair.

Indonesian Class for Foreign Students



Started at 25th November 2015, International Program provides an Indonesian class as a facility for the foreign students to learn Indonesian language. This class will be held every Wednesday at 1 PM. The purpose of the class is to introduce Indonesian and to teach daily conversation in Indonesian for the foreign students. This class also provided as one of the form of socio-cultural exchange and learning for the students.