



Editorial

There are always bad news and good news. We start from the bad news, one of our interns, Serafine already completed her program and has to go back to Switzerland and one of our staff, Mr. Teguh also leaves the International Program since he had to move to the regular program. Then these are the good news: We welcome two new staffs from the regular program; We get a short story from our student who is now studying in Takamatsu University, Japan; We have school visits to some schools in Purwokerto area.

Good Bye Serafine



After working with the International Program for 3 months, finally our intern, Serafine, has to go back to Switzerland. Serafine left Purwokerto on Thursday, 2nd April 2015. During her stay in Faculty of Economics and Business, she did some works with our faculty members such as; Teaching subjects in management, Developing an international climate for students and employees, Developing and arranging international cooperation, Promotion activities of the Faculty's International Program, Encouraging students to practice speaking English, Developing the strategic development plan for the program and Joining several cultural activities.

Having an intern to work with us brings a different atmosphere to the faculty environment. The students and teaching staffs can explore their English skills during their daily interaction with Serafine. We hope the contribution given by Serafine to the FEB's International Program will be benefitting. Good bye Serafine. Thanks for being part of us.

Staff Rotation



As part of the organization refreshment program, the Faculty of Economics and Business again runs a staff rotation during April 2015. One of the International Program staff, Mr. Teguh moves to the Regular Program as he gets a new responsibility to handle the students' finger print data input process. Another new staffs move to the International Program, they are Mr. Kusyanto and Mr. Heru Suliantoro. Previously those two gentlemen worked for the General Affairs Sub Section at the Faculty of Economics and Business. Good bye Mr. Teguh and Welcome to Mr. Kusyanto and Mr. Heru.

International Program School Visits

Getting closer to the stakeholders is very important. The International Program of Faculty of Economics and Business runs School Visit Program during April 2015. We visit some schools in Purwokerto to introduce our International Program. We also ask our interns, Serafine and Orsi to get involved in that visits to give more opportunity to the students to practice their English skills with foreigners. It seems that the students of the visited schools are really happy to have us. They get many information about higher education especially our International Program. They can practice their English directly to the foreigner as well. We hope this kind of program can be continued regularly in the future.



A Story from Japan

Last February, two students of International Business Program went to Japan for Double Degree Program at Takamatsu University. They are Nurul Aini and Hilwa Faiza. This is a short story written by Hilwa about her first experience to be an international student in Japan.



Studying in Japan is really my childhood dream. To be honest, I never imagine that I will pass the double degree program selection held by Takamatsu University. And travelling to Japan becomes my first experience to be abroad. I found it hard to be a new comer in Japan since my Japanese is not good enough. I sometime got difficulty to communicate in Japanese language, but we're lucky to have good friends and teaching staffs. They always help us to understand what the lecturers said at class. When we had orientation for international students, one of the lecturers helped me to give understanding about my reason of wearing hijab, since I'm the only student in Takamatsu University who wears hijab. He also provided us praying room at the Uni. About the food, they always confirm us about the food that we can consume or not. Even when we had an occasion they never forget to tell us about ingredient of the food served. The good one for us that there's a kitchen in our apartment, so we can cook our own food and of

course we can save our expenses.

When we started our class for the first time, I felt it's our hardest situation where all lecturers delivered the lectures fully in Japanese. Everything which is in "kanji" will be written in "kanji", they will never write it in "hiragana". But, We thank God that we're still allowed to record the lectures using recorder, so we can learn the material after class and consult to the dictionary. We also got a "special" class from the Japanese lecturer after our regular class which is really helpful. Those all things are really fruitful experiences for us who've been a month living here in Takamatsu. We really feel comfortable to be here. One thing that we have to do is working hard to deal with our new life. Many ways for our purposes, but certainly you would never find it all straight.