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To learn about a country and its politics. I think it's good to study in that country to get a better understanding. the classes at the faculty of social and political sciences Ugm has helped me to get a greater understanding about the Southeast Asian region. It has also been Interesting to hear the views of EU and Eu's role from the Indonesian perspective.

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Immersion Program

Interested in social and political issues in Indonesia?

A more than 6 courses related to global and Indonesian social-political issues are delivered in English every semester. This IMMERSION PROGRAM is offered by Faculty of Social & Political Science UGM.

1. Each course is worth three credits, 2 hours per meeting for 14 weeks.
2. Consists of lectures, focus group discussions, presentations, exams and assignments, as well as field trips and excursions.
3. The medium of instruction, reading books, presentation, and exams are in English.
4. Interaction with local & international students.
5. International students whose home university has exchange agreement with UGM would have the possibility to get their credit transferred.

If you are:

- A Student exchange participant in UGM.
- An international student taking fulltime non-degree program, or
- A global citizen interested in Indonesian social & political issues.

Grab this opportunity!



A. Immersion Class Course on 1st Semester

01. Cross Cultural and Intercultural Communications

Cross-cultural and Intercultural Communications focus on the importance of culture in everyday lives. Culture interrelates with and affects communication processes. This course will take students on a journey to the field of cross-cultural communication by looking at the practical application of theory and research. Using our stories, videos and discussions, this course is designed to increase our sensitivity to other cultures and the contexts (social, cultural and historical) in which we live and communicate.

02. Political Communication

This course examines the role of mass media in democracy. It starts with basic inquiry on how does democracy shape the role of the mass media in democratic politics. Conversely, this course deals with how the media shapes our democracy. It addresses the issue on the interaction between mass media and politics evolved over time.

03. Sociology and Conflict and Reconciliation

This course is intended to study contemporary issues of conflict and elaborate peace building strategies from comparative sociology and social transformation perspectives. The conflict and peace trends and dynamics and the appropriate peacemaking and building strategies to

respond and intervene the conflicts will be specifically elaborated in the session. This course focuses on the post-conflict regions; the linking between peace, development and democracy to achieve sustainable peace-development.

04. Southeast Asia: Politics and Governments

This course is designed to develop a conceptual framework and provide basic information on political developments in Southeast Asian countries, except Indonesia. It offers 3 (three) correlated major topics of discussion in the context of contemporary Southeast Asia namely (1) nation building (2) state building and (3) political economy development.

05. European Governance: EU – Indonesia

This course is designed to explore the characteristics of the EU through the perspective of governance and the elaboration of international relations of the EU. EU has a *sui generis* system which differ this regionalism to another regional integration. EU governed without government, policies are decided at the European level. Decisions have binding force on citizens within each member state.

06. Public Policy Analysis

It is aimed at explaining the analytical process for public policies within the context of democratizing countries. The students will be exposed to current issues of public policies and how it can be analyzed with some basic methods and more sophisticated methods with computer-aided simulations. Students are encouraged to learn from practical analyses that are conducted by researchers, consultants, and advisors in Indonesia and most developing countries.

07. Civil Society in Indonesia

This class aims to give a basic understanding on the notion of civil society, its varieties of meanings, and how the different meaning takes form and operates empirically, using the case of civil society in Indonesia. In order to have a deeper understanding, this class combines a technique of lecturing with the use of cases studies as many as possible, guess lectures from NGO activists, and movie on the theme of civil society. Thus, participants will have a strong conceptual tool of civil society, while at the same time, to be critical to the tools.



B. Immersion Class Course on 2nd Semester

01. Social Security

These courses will introduce the basic concepts of SC and its historical development that spread out in the developing countries. It will much refer to the development of SC in developed countries, particularly the rise of the charitable activity in the early of the SC development. Issues to address are (1) can this system reach the social strata at all? (2) Can the state-sponsored provide a better resource for the long run?

02. Political Economy of Development

Political Economy of Development (PED) is designed to provide critical understanding on economic development in the context of global capitalism. This course comprises of both theoretical foundation and comparative case studies. Theoretical investigations on economic development thoughts are highly essential to critically comprehend complex issues of development. Comparative case studies are intended to enrich empirical understanding on various development strategies.

03. Corruption and Anti Corruption

This course is designed for undergraduate students wishing to understand one of the most important factors affecting economic, political and social changes especially in developing countries. Various aspect of corruption will be discussed in-depth, taking insight mostly

from the experiences of developing countries and specifically Indonesia.. Concept, causes, consequences, and cures are among the key issues to be discussed. Proper understanding on these issues is the main basis for pursuing anti-corruption measures.

04. Media and Youth Culture

This course addresses the question of media and youth, with emphasis on generation approach in the communication process and media as youth's medium of communication. Over all this course explore and offer critical analysis on ideas related to youth generation, popular culture, 'old' and new media; explore understanding of youth culture related to media culture; highlighting socio-historical factors in the development of modern market where youth is placed as it's main buffer.

05. Seminar on the Environment:

Political Economy of Sustainable Development.

The seminar is designed to promote interests on environment-related study, research and advocacy. Three objectives to be achieved are (1) to delve into current issues on environment and its relevant conceptual, theoretical and empirical debates as it relates to social studies (2) To explore concepts on "sustainability" and "sustainable development" in the context of environment debates and (3) To develop relevant research framework and models of advocacy at individual, communal, local, national and transnational level.

06. Indonesian Political Thought

Indonesian Political Thinking discusses on the political thinking and ideas developed by prominent and influential political leaders in Indonesia, including the founding fathers. It assumes that the political thinking reflects the processes of indigenous action of universal ideas into Indonesian contexts. These processes are not only important as they reflect the historical aspects of the ideas, but also useful to comprehend how the ideas can be used to understand current events in Indonesian politics.

07. Brand Management

This course addresses the issue on how advertising and marketing has brought an impeccable consequence in both of academic field and industry. Brand has been taking over the spotlight, thus creating a major shift within the industry. Marketing communication used to be aiming for sales-oriented results. Companies and advertisers are now driven



instead to build and maintain their brand. The trend has led to a situation where Brand is being overwhelmingly used within the industry, more often than not serving as a Agency's sales gimmick to attract clients rather than the real deal.

08. Citizenship and Welfare in Indonesia

This subject is aimed at highlighting the issue of citizenship and welfare, especially in Indonesia context. It is important to stress the notion of citizenship and welfare in Indonesia context as part of so-called the Third World countries since so far the issue on citizenship mainly refer to western and developed country. The case of citizenship and welfare from the Third countries will give more ubiquitous approaches on the citizenship and welfare subjects.

09. Seminar on Latin America

The course is outlined parallel to the need to advance previous knowledge and conceptualization on Latin American development, social movement, politics and government (as explored in the class of Latin America Politics and Government). It is an endeavour to further and deeper exploration on contemporary issues in Latin American study. Comparative area studies –i.e. between the region and other major developing regions/areas, especially to that of Southeast Asian one— is the specific focus of the course.

10. Civil Society in Indonesia

This class aims to give a basic understanding on the notion of civil society, its varieties of meanings, varieties of contexts they live in, and how these different meanings and contexts contribute the forms of civil society. Particular attention in the Indonesian case, will also be discussed occasionally. The class combines a technique of lecturing with guess lectures from NGO activists, fieldtrip, and movie watching on the theme of civil society. It is hoped that participants will have a strong conceptual tool of civil society, while at the same time, to be critical to the concepts.