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The Institute of International Education's (IIE) Center for International Partnerships launched the U.S.-Indonesia Partnership Program for Study Abroad Capacity (USIPP) in 2010 to expand Indonesian higher education institutions' capacity to provide high-quality study abroad programs for U.S. undergraduates and promote stronger ties between the U.S. and Indonesia. The two-year initiative, sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA), linked six U.S. institutions and six Indonesian institutions to help Indonesian universities better prepare to host American students and develop new study abroad opportunities for U.S. undergraduates.

### PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS

U.S.	Indonesia
Chatham University	Airlangga University
Lehigh University	Bandung Institute of Technology
Miami Dade College	Bogor Agricultural University
University of Michigan	Indonesian Institute of the Arts, Yogyakarta
University of Northern Illinois	Gadjah Mada University
University of Washington	University of Indonesia

#### **PROGRAM ACTIVITIES**

- Assessing Capacity to Expand U.S. Study Abroad to Indonesia: To identify challenges related to expanding U.S. study abroad to Indonesia, IIE conducted parallel surveys of U.S. and Indonesian higher education institutions. The findings form the basis of a white paper titled "Expanding U.S. Study Abroad to Indonesia U.S. and Indonesian Perspectives and Strategies for Expansion," which can be downloaded at: <a href="https://www.iie.org/usipp">www.iie.org/usipp</a>.
- Capacity-Building Training: Representatives from the 12 participating USIPP institutions convened at training workshops in Bandung (April 2011) and Washington, DC (February 2012) to discuss the challenges and opportunities for U.S. and Indonesian higher education leaders in building institutional linkages and improving Indonesia's capacity to host more international students from the U.S.. Following both workshops, participants conducted site visits of partner campuses, meeting with students, faculty and administrators to learn more about higher education and culture in the partner country and work on expanding the capacity of Indonesian institutions to host American study abroad students.
- Six New Study Abroad Programs: The grant supported \$10,000 seed grants to the six participating U.S. universities to fund start-up costs for new study abroad programs to Indonesia. Upon completion, the USIPP-supported programs will have sent more than 20 U.S. students to Indonesia, which is nearly 10 percent of all U.S. students who studied abroad in Indonesia in the 2009/10 academic year.
- Sharing Best Practices: At the conclusion of the grant, IIE will distribute a second white paper with strategies for developing study abroad programs in Indonesia. The report will outline challenges and opportunities experienced by the participating institutions, offer strategies to help U.S. institutions send more students to Indonesia and provide recommendations for developing Indonesian institutions' capacity to host more students.

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