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**2020 Summer Studies Program**

**Application Cover Page\***

*\*Please note that some program details and information may be subject to further change.*

**Application Submission**: All applications must be submitted by **January 24, 2020** via email to [usindojkt@usindo.org](mailto:usindojkt@usindo.org). Only complete applications will be considered. USINDO will conduct a Skype interview with applicants between end January and mid-February 2020.

**Application Checklist:**

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**Personal Statement** – Please submit a 500 word personal statement describing your academic interests, career goals, interest in Indonesia, how your participation in this program will enhance those interests and goals, how your career might further the mission of the Society to promote more awareness of Indonesia in the United States, and why you chose to apply for the 2020 USINDO Summer Studies Program.

\**In addition to the personal statement, you may also submit a short introductory video of yourself. This video should be no more than one minute long and should serve the purpose of helping us get to know you and your motivation better beyond your personal statement. Please note that this video is optional.*

**Curriculum Vitae or Resume**: Please submit a curriculum vitae or resume (not to exceed two pages).

**Academic transcript(s):** Please submit the latest academic transcript from the educational institution where you are currently enrolled or recently graduated from. Unofficial copies are acceptable, provided official copies are supplied later.

**Letter of recommendation:** One (1) recommendation letter is required. Two are welcome. The letter of recommendation may include the recommender's assessment of your character, potentials, and accomplishments, preferably with examples; the recommender's understanding of your academic/professional interests; and why the recommender would recommend you to be chosen as a 2020 USINDO Summer Studies participant. Recommenders must submit the letter of recommendation directly to [usindojkt@usindo.org](mailto:usindojkt@usindo.org).

**Tax Return (for scholarship applicants only):** The electronic copy of the Tax Return should be from the most recent year filed and can be either the student’s or their parents’ (if the student is still a dependent).

Applicants are responsible for ensuring applications are submitted on time (by **January 24, 2020**).

**Criteria for selection:**

Applicants will be judged by the clarity of communication in their personal statements and their demonstrated interest in Indonesia or in learning about Indonesia. A strong academic record is required as well as a demonstrated interest and success in learning languages. Previous foreign travel is desirable but not necessary. We aim for students who have less exposure to Indonesia, but we also accept students who have had extensive experience in Indonesia. The program purpose is to familiarize participants with Indonesia and encourage a lasting interest in Indonesia. Stated career plans will be judged in part on the likelihood that such a career will also involve communicating knowledge of Indonesia to a broader audience.

**Applicant Information:**

Name (last, first, middle) :

Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy) :

Age :

Phone :

E-mail :

Only U.S. citizens are eligible for this program.

*Please indicate if you are a US citizen.*

Participants must have a passport that is valid for at least 6 months after the start of the program and at least four blank visa pages.

*Do you have a valid passport, or have you applied for one?*

*Do you have at least four blank visa pages in your passport?*

**Education:**

Undergraduate Institution :

City, Country :

Graduation Date :       GPA:

Graduate Institution :

City, Country :

Graduation Date :       GPA:

**Previous overseas travel**: Please indicate overseas travel to Indonesia or other countries in the past five years. *(Kindly note that you can add more if the spaces below are inadequate)*

Indonesia:

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| **City/Cities Visited** | **Date of Visit** | **Duration of Stay** | **Purpose of Visit** |
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Other country/countries:

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| **Country/Countries Visited** | **Date of Visit** | **Duration of Stay** | **Purpose of Visit** |
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**Language: Should you have studied Bahasa Indonesia prior to this program,** kindly inform us the details and your current level of Bahasa (please refer to this [Language Assessment Grid](https://www.usindo.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/Language-Evaluation-Form.pdf) to rate your Bahasa)

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| **Assessment Field** | **Level** |
| Interpersonal Communication (person-to-person) |  |
| Interpretive Listening |  |
| Interpretive Reading |  |
| Presentational Writing |  |
| Presentational Speaking |  |

Where you studied Bahasa Indonesia:

Duration of study:

*\*If possible, please indicate the start and end dates, i.e. January 1 – April 1, 2018*

**Recommendation Letter**: Please provide the contact information for your recommender

Name (last, first) :

Relationship :

Position :

Institution :

Phone :

E-mail :

**Referees**: Please provide the contact information for three (3) academics/professionals whom you have known for more than 6 months. Referees must not be family members. You may put your recommender as a referee.

**Referee 1**

Name (last, first) :

Affiliation :

Position :

Relationship :

How long you have known the applicant:

Phone :

E-mail :

**Referee 2**

Name (last, first) :

Affiliation :

Position :

Relationship :

How long you have known the applicant:

Phone :

E-mail :

**Referee 3**

Name (last, first) :

Affiliation :

Position :

Relationship :

How long you have known the applicant:

Phone :

E-mail :

**\*Credit Transfer**: Please indicate if you plan to seek and receive academic credit from your school for your participation in the 2020 USINDO Summer Studies Program

Yes

No

*\*Kindly note that USINDO does not administer the credit transfer process, students are responsible for arranging to receive credit from their respective institutions. This must be coordinated between your institution and the Indonesian Language & Culture Intensive Course (ILCIC) of Sanata Dharma University.*

**Others:** Please indicate aside from its language & culture, what issues are you interested to know more in Indonesia:

Economy, Trade & Business

Energy/Environment

Government & Politics

Education

Media & Journalism

Municipal/Public Works

Health

Gender

Religion and Interfaith

Digital Landscape

Youth

Crafts/Culinary

Others. Please specify:

**Others:** Please indicate how you became aware of the 2020 USINDO Summer Studies Program:

USINDO Twitter/Facebook Page

USINDO Website

USINDO mailing list

USINDO Summer Studies alumni

Word-of-mouth

Campus/Institution mailing list/website

Other institution’s website. Please specify:

Others. Please specify:

**Others:** Please indicate which component(s) of the 2020 USINDO Summer Studies Program intrigued you to apply for this program:

Affordability of program fee

Program date

Program location

Variety of program components

Language instruction provider

Volunteering program

Host family element

Possibility of academic credit

Others. Please specify:

**I understand that if selected I will be required to pay a $2,000\* program fee.**

*\*The program fee contributes $2,000 toward the total expenses of the program. The total expenses of the program include international round-trip and domestic air tickets, tuition, cultural program, field trip, special lecture, accommodation, two meals per day, visa, and travel insurance. Therefore, a substantial part of the total program cost is provided by USINDO. Incidentals not mentioned above are the responsibility of the applicant.*

**Scholarship:** This year, USINDO willaward **one $1,500 scholarship toward the fee** for those seeking financial aid on a competitive basis. Please indicate if you are interested in applying for the scholarship.

*\*Kindly submit an electronic copy of your tax return if you are interested in applying for the scholarship.*

Yes

No

Full Name:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Participants will be required to participate in all Summer Studies activities, including attendance at classes and taking a final examination. Participants will be required to sign a statement verifying this intention, as well as a release form, upon admission to the program.*