



**Abdullah Muis**South Tangerang, Banten, Indonesia

Desired program: MA in Islamic Studies

Abdullah Muis is currently working at SMPQT and SMAQT 1 Pati, Jawa Tengah. He held a Bachelor's degree in Islamic Education from IAIN Kudus. He is interested in Islamic Studies, Qur'anic Studies, Youth, and Social development.

He is a person who loves knowledge and education. He loves to share about Islamic teaching and nationalism. He believes that Indonesia will be one of the greatest countries in the future by helping society to have more skill and knowledge.

This course will make Muis excited because they can acquire a lot of knowledge and perspective as well as experience from experts about study, life, and work in the US.



# Achmad Ridho

Depok, West Java, Indonesia

Desired program: MS in Information Security

Achmad Ridho currently works at a central government office called Badan Siber dan Sandi Negara as a cyber security staff. One of his responsibilities is to provide guidance and insights to local governments regarding cyber security. He graduated from Sekolah Tinggi Sandi Negara, a university within the State Cyber and Crypto Agency that provides vocational education programmes in the field of cyber and password security. He likes to pursue cybersecurity, apart from being related to his job, it is a field that will never end because there will always be interesting things happening in cyberspace. The United States is one of the most cyber-secure countries in the world. That's why I'm interested in studying at a university in that country.



## Alif Hanifatur Rosyidah Malang, East Java, Indonesia

Desired program: MA in Applied Linguistics and Tesol

Alif Hanifatur Rosyidah is currently working as an English Teacher in an EdTech startup in Jakarta and in some schools in Malang, East Java. She graduated in 2021 with a Bachelor of Arts in English Language Teaching from Universitas Negeri Malang. Alif has been awarded an LPDP Scholarship for November 2022, and she plans to attend US institutions to further her degree in TESOL. Recently, Alif is actively involved in volunteer work, serving as a mentor at her university to assist students' research projects through the PKM Center organization (Students' Creativity Program), as well as at some scholarship boot camp programs. Along with mentoring, she also works for the PIMNAS Alumni Association of Indonesia, an NGO under the Ministry of Education of Indonesia. She is now working on her college applications, therefore she is excited to join USINDO Grasp Batch 5 since the lessons she will learn there will help her on her quest to obtain her master's degree and maintain it.



## **Asri Puji Lestari** Bogor, West Java, Indonesia

Desired program: Master in Biological Science

Ms. Asri Puji Lestari is a marine ecologist who has eight years of work experience. She dedicated her life to saving the environment by living sustainably and working in environmental consultancies and marine conservation projects. Her last work was USAID Sustainable Ecosystem Advance Project help to develop marine protected areas in Indonesian sea and established 14 new Marine Protected Areas in Indonesia.

As she love environment and marine and realized she had limitation to do complex analysis in marine ecology and like to have skill In natural resource economy, she is planning to pursue higher education by applying for a doctoral degree in environment, marine conservation or natural resources economics. She hopes by joining USINDO GRAPS mini writing program she could develop a strong essays to apply her dream universities.



# **Atina Rezki**Balikpapan, East Kalimantan, Indonesia

Desired program: MBA in Strategic Planning

Atina is a civil engineer who graduated from the University of Sumatera Utara and has been working as an engineer at the Indonesia National Oil Company since 2015. She is currently a resident of Balikpapan, East Kalimantan, and her major role is to monitor the business development program for the Kalimantan region.

She learned that she needs to combine engineering and business to develop any projects and business decisions; that's why she decided to pursue a Master of Business Administration degree to gain business skills and build a system that combines business analysis, decision-making theory, finance, investment, and the implementation of business investment programs in the USA.



# Avina Nadhila Widarsa

South Tangerang, Banten, Indonesia

Desired program: PhD in International Relations

Avina Nadhila Widarsa is currently working at the ASEAN Secretariat as an External Relations officer. She held a bachelor degree in International Relations from Universitas Indonesia and master of science in International Political Economy from Nanyang Techonlogical University, Singapore. Avina has keen interest in international relations, foreign policy, local politics and sustainable development issues. She used to publish articles in local newspaper and journal during her college days. She keeps her passion in writing by publishing a web blog. She aims to continue her PhD in International Relations in the US.



**Dimas Aditia**Bandar Lampung, Lampung, Indonesia

Desired program: MA in History

Dimas Aditia is the University of Lampung's first best graduate in November 2022, out of a total of 1,158 graduates. He was very active and able to balance his academic and non-academic life, then as the head of the research and development division, and finally forming a non-profit community for the empowerment of youth throughout Indonesia in terms of invention and actualization in the field of scientific work. He is also interested in SDGs issues and completed an internship at BAPPENAS in the communication work division (event support) for 7 months. Currently, he is working as a personal assistants under the Institute for Research and Community Service (LPPM) in the Community Service Program (KKN) subdivision.



#### **Ester Gultom**

Desa Pon, North Sumatera, Indonesia

Desired program: MBA in Business Management

Ester graduated from Universitas Darma Agung with a bachelor's degree in Financial management, in 2016. She used to live in Jakarta n worked in a private company. Now she is working in a Self Employed work. She is now preparing herself to fulfill all the requirements needed during her business of work. She really put a hardwork for it. She got so really inspired to pursue her degree from her friends that went to The USA to school. Hopefully she will make it happen in 2024.



Fauzan Rahman Serang, Banten, Indonesia

Desired program: MS in Management Science and Engineering

Fauzan Rahman graduated bachelor of engineering in Industrial Engineering at Universitas Indonesia. It is concerned with designing and improving integrated systems of people, materials, and equipment. He works as an Industrial Engineer at Krakatau Steel, a state-owned steel company. He handles various things, including supply chain management, feasibility study, and innovation committee. Fauzan wants to become an Indonesian Steel Expert in a business portfolio, which Krakatau Steel is transforming into Indonesia's first steel holding company. MS in Management Science & Engineering at Columbia University focuses on problem-solving, risk management, and taking on complex systems through a management and engineering approach.



Fitriani Dwi Kurniasari Pekanbaru, Riau, Indonesia

Desired program: MPA in in Environmental Policy and Natural Resource Management

Ani is an experienced data researcher. conservationist, and writer. She has worked for a number of global non-governmental organizations (NGOs), including WWF-Indonesia and TRAFFIC International. In 2020, she successfully led and launched Jaksa Peduli Satwa, or Prosecutors for Wildlife, a collaborative program with the Kuansing District Prosecutor, despite the pandemic. Her goals are to provide better protection and a better future for endangered species. This includes creating a harmonious planet for humans and all other creatures to live on together. Ani occasionally writes short stories for the newspaper. You can also find her passionately talking about environmental issues on the Akar Gaharu Podcast. When she is not busy, she can be found in her garden during the weekend, possibly gardening while singing to herself.



#### Hardini Kusumadewi Bekasi, West Java, Indonesia

Desired program: Master of Public Health, Master of Public Administration

Hardini Kusumadewi worked at the Bureau of International Cooperation, Ministry of Health of Indonesia, since 2016. While working, she has been actively engaged in health cooperation with government and private sector. She recently moved to the National Agency of Health Development Policy in March 2022. From September 2022, she officially studying in China, taking an MPA at the UIBE in Beijing. She is very interested to join US-INDO Course because this is the most appropriate time to learn and explore her critical thinking and digital literacy to develop her thesis and to achieve health transformation in Indonesia.



# **Hendri Marinda Sari** Sleman, DI Yogyakarta, Indonesia

Desired program: MPH in Public Health/MSc in Healthcare Management

Hendri Marinda Sari was a graduate from Universitas Gadjah Mada with Bachelor of Pharmacy degree. She was an experienced production supervisor at pharmaceutical industries before switching her career as a researcher interested in public and environmental health. She is currently working at Center for Child Health Faculty of Medicine, Public Health, and Nursing Universitas Gadjah Mada Indonesia as a research assistant. The projects she currently involved in made her international network expanding. She works alongside Murdoch Children's Research Institute Australia, Program for Appropriate Technology Health (PATH), and Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF). From her previous and current experiences, she is taken interest to deepen her management skill for improving the quality and quantity of health research in Indonesia.



**Hillary** Jakarta, DKI Jakarta, Indonesia

Desired program: MS in Electrical Engineering

Hillary is an engineering student and a firm believer that knowledge plays a pivotal role in society, born and raised in the vibrant city Jakarta, she developed a love for science and engineering from such a young age and continued to expand her interest by attending Universitas Pelita Harapan. In the course of her studies, she has had a deep longing passion for digital literacy and creative writing that was often overlooked in formal education settings. Thus, she is excited to explore and develop her capabilities in writing through class interactions from mentors and peers alike.



**Laurent Dita Patrisia** Bandung, West Java

Desired program: MA in Screenwriting and Directing/MA in Creative Writing/MA in Journalism

Laurent Dita Patrisia is an employee at a PT. Fujitex which specialized in the field of textiles in the city of Bandung. Her current position is admin follow up marketing Asia Europe division. Even though Laurent's position was admin follow up marketing, Laurent was always interested in writing. Even before Laurent was accepted to work at PT. Fujitex, Laurent even took part in the first novel writing competition and won. Right now, she is waiting for her first novel published by Gapura Biru Publisher. Because this achievement, Laurent is so eager to feel this excitement especially, in writing. In addition, Laurent also holds a degree in Communication which supports her to be able to communicate through writing. By joining this course, Laurent believes that creative thinking could help Laurent to explore her writing.



Michael Adriel Darmawan Tangerang, Banten, Indonesia

Desired program: MA in Digital Studies

Michael is an undergraduate computer science student in BINUS University. Currently Michael is doing an exchange program in the Netherlands, studying business improvement with data. Michael has some work experience during his internship periods. He worked as a part time programming teacher for three months, and a backend software engineer for one year and four months. During his time in the Netherlands, he also volunteered at several film festivals there. He is interested in computer science and mathematics, as well as art related majors like films. The fact that this course prepares young professionals for a master's degree abroad, especially in the USA, made it very interesting for Michael, because he is planning to pursue a master's degree after finishing his undergraduate program in countries like USA, Netherlands, and other EU states.



# Michael Hariara Simanjuntak Medan, North Sumatera, Indonesia

Desired program: Public Administration

Michael Hariara Simanjuntak is currently working at the Ministry of Communication and Informatics as a Financial Reporting Accountant. He graduated from STAN. He works not only as an Accountant but also as a Work Program and Budget Planner. He is really passionate to contribute in developing human resources specifically in the field of Digital Literacy.



### Michella Devina Hermawan Badung, Bali, Indonesia

Desired program: Public Administration

Michella is a well-rounded Architecture undergraduate student at Universitas Udayana who is dedicated to expanding her knowledge beyond the traditional classroom setting. Through the IISMA 2021 program, she spent one semester studying at the University of Padua in Italy, which significantly fueled her ambition to continue challenging herself and seek further education abroad. With a strong passion for making meaningful impacts on a global scale and contributing to society through sustainable development goals, she aspires to pursue a Master's degree in Sustainable Architecture and Urban Design.



# Muhammad Khoirul Imamil M

DI Yogyakarta, Indonesia

Desired program: MA in Linguistics, Religions, and Social Studies

Imam is a fearless person pursuing his graduate degree at Vocational College of Universitas Gadjah Mada. He has a lot of interests, specifically on linguistics, religions, community and social studies. He is also struggling to improve his English skill in order to prepare himself to take his master degree in the US. His favorite person is Ulil Abshar Abdalla, an expert on religion and social studies.



Muharnis Supriyani Putri Bekasi, West Java, Indonesia

Desired program: DrPH in Epidemiology

Muharnis Supriyani Putri is currently working as Laboratory Technical Officer at TB Programme. She held the Master degree in Public Health. The main reason she interest of this course because she really want to pursue the DrPH program. And she hope that in the future she can help people with her knowledge.



Nadya Lela Ainika DI Yogyakarta, Indonesia

Desired program: Master in Public Health, Master in Health Care Management

Nadya Lela Ainika is a student in the pharmacist program at the Faculty of Pharmacy Universitas Gadjah Mada and she held a degree in Pharmacy from Universitas Gadjah Mada. She is keenly interested in health-related fields and eager to pursue her master's degree in Public Health or Health Care Management. Her experiences in the involvement of cleft lip surgery free program with Yayasan Beri Perubahan Indonesia and her several involvements in communities motivate her to contribute more to society by pursuing Public Health. Her vision to renew the National Health Insurance Program also motivates her to pursue Health Care Management. Lela is so excited about this program because of her huge eagerness to prepare for her master's degree study well next year and looking forward to meeting up with the mentors and fellow participants to share her big dreams to contribute to Indonesia.



**Nuryaman** Depok, West Java, Indonesia

Desired program: Master of Library and Information Science/Master of Information Science

Nuryaman graduated with a bachelor's degree in Library and Information Science in 2017 from Universitas Pendidikan Indonesia. Dealing with information society, its behavior, and digital literacy in an educational context is part of his cycle. He has a missionary to frame research skills and digital literacy in tackling research obstacles in the digital milieu. He believes the USINDO will give delightful insights because they collaborate with US universities, making him well-informed.



**Prita Dwi Lasnita Sitanggang** West Jakarta, DKI Jakarta, Indonesia

Desired program: MS in Food Science/ Food Safety

Prita Dwi Lasnita Sitanggang, 37 years old, is a food safety officer at Indonesia Food and Drug Authority, Directorate of Processed Food Distribution Control. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Food Technology from Bogor Agricultural University and prior to her current career, she worked as a Quality Assurance for 5 years in Food Industries, where she developed and monitored the implementation of quality management systems.

She is interested in pursuing a Master of Food Science/ Food Safety to improve her scientific capacity in food safety and to learn about foodborne diseases surveillance system implemented in the United States, which is recognized as one of the best surveillance systems worldwide. She expects more opportunities to learn the technological advancement supporting the surveillance system in US CDC particularly and the stakeholders' collaboration in implementing the system at country level in general.



Putri Permatasari Depok, West Java, Indonesia

Desired program: Master of Business Administration

Putri graduated from Sriwijaya University, Indonesia. She built her career in manufacturing, SMEs, and energy industry where she roles in various accounting and finance paths. Currently, she is working as Senior Officer of Investment Expenditure at PLN, a state-owned company distributing electricity all around the Indonesian region. Putri is concerned about children, education, investment, and cherishes sharing knowledge with people. In her spare time, she loves doing yoga, jogging, and archery. She also found out that painting can help during her difficult times.



Randy Harris Marsiholan Siregar West Jakarta, DKI Jakarta, Indonesia

Desired program: Master of Business Administration

Randy held a bachelor's degree in economics and business from Diponegoro University and has various experiences in Finance and Business sector including as a consultant in Big 4 public accountant Deloitte and latest is as a Senior Associate Finance Operations at Shopee. Learning a lot about end-to-end business in several sectors, the financial reporting process, and how to develop business in his working experiences, encourage him to start an entrepreneurial soul within himself. And now Randy was awarded an LPDP entrepreneur scholarship and will study MBA to develop his business in the transportation sector.



Ruth Damayanti Binjai, North Sumatera, Indonesia

Desired program: MA in Public Policy

Ruth Damayanti is currently working at Pemerintah Kota Binjai as a Supervisor. She held a Bachelor's degree in Economics from Universitas Kristen Duta Wacana, Yogyakarta, Indonesia. She has been working at Pemerintah Kota Binjai about 12 years. She works on data collecting and displaying data on Women's Empowerment and Child Protection MInistry. Her specialication is mostly to analyse women's empowerment and child protection data to design public policy.



Shafia Shaliha Ansor Arifai East Jakarta. DKI Jakarta. Indonesia

Desired program: MPP (Master of Public Policy)

Shafia S. A. Arifai is currently working as a research staff in a government corporation regulating the banking and insurance industry. Her scope of research is related to bank resolution, deposit insurance, and economic and financial indicators. She held a Bachelor's degree in Economics from Universitas Indonesia. She is planning to pursue a master's degree in the area of public policy and hopes to be a respectable policy maker-researcher. Even though she's used to writing scientific writing as her job, she wishes to hone her critical thinking and utilize more digital tools. She wants to improve her competitiveness by properly writing a graduate essay, sharing and implementing positive inputs, and reviewing online sources to get reliable ones. To accomplish that, she believes that participating in Usindo GRASP Mini Intensive Course is going to be impactful for her future study.



Sherly Rahayu Jakarta, Indonesia

Desired program: MA in International Relations

Sherly is currently working at an Indonesian tech company as a product manager, she held a Bachelor's degree in Political Science with a major in International Relations from Universitas Bakrie. I am very excited to meet everyone in this course to learn and improve my writing skills!



# **Sigit Sepriadi** Pekanbaru, Riau, Indonesia

Desired program: Ph.D in Animal Science

Sigit Sepriadi is currently working at State Islamic University of Sultan Syarif Kasim Riau as a Civil Servant. He held a Bachelor's and Master's degree in Animal Science from University of Sumatera Utara. Also He held a Profession's Degree in Animal Science Engineering from University of Gadjah Mada. And many Animal science experience he had during working at several private company.



**Syayid Sandi Sukandi** Padang, West Sumatera, Indonesia

Desired program: Ph.D in English

Syayid Sandi Sukandi is working as an English lecturer at Universitas Bung Hatta in West Sumatera province of Indonesia since 2021. He had also been teaching courses related to English studies at Islamic State University of Imam Bonjol, Padang since 2015. He served as an English lecturer at College of Teacher Training and Education of the Indonesian Teachers' Association for ten years (2009 – 2020). Syayid loves to read and discusses with people to talk about topics on languages and cultures. He spent his spare time to write poems in English, and occasionally, translated English texts to Bahasa Indonesia for freelance translation project. English is his favorite language to learn after Bahasa Indonesia, Minangkabau, Sundanese, and Arabic language.



Yuni Sri Wulandari Jakarta. Indonesia

Desired program: MS in Technology Management

Yuni Sri Wulandari, also known as Yuni, is a Product Marketing and Channel Activation Specialist at PT Prudential Life Assurance. She previously graduated from Sampoerna University with a major in Business Management. She enjoys playing basketball, listening to Onerepublic songs, and preparing for her master's degree. She intends to continue her master's degree at Columbia University by pursuing a Master in the field of Technology Management. She enjoys meeting new people, especially those who have the same desire as her to study in the United States, therefore she is very excited to be a part of this course.