

UMY Today

International Seminar on AI Innovation Marked the Starting of 18 UMY Summer School 2023

As technology advances at an unprecedented pace, Artificial Intelligence (AI) has emerged as a driving force behind transformative solutions across industries. The possibilities presented by AI innovation are boundless. However, AI also presents significant challenges that must be navigated thoughtfully.

Therefore, Universitas Muhammadiyah Yogyakarta (UMY) held an International Seminar with Dr. H. Emil Elestianto Dardak, B.Bus., M.Sc., along with the opening ceremony of 18 UMY Summer School 2023 at AR Fachruddin B Building on Wednesday (14/6).

Dr. H. Emil Elestianto Dardak, B.Bus., M.Sc., Vice Governor of East Java, shared in his presentation that AI creates new challenges. "When talking about challenges in developing AI, the challenge is measuring that we have all the necessary human resources to come up with many potential solutions and how to developing tools."

"East Java has the experience of using Belanja Inovasi (Belanova) as a way to support AI developments by young generations, also the detection of mask and COVID-19 as well. However, it is also create challenges of competing with human beings when it comes to job, that is why we need to look at it carefully." Emil added.



In addition, Emil also thanked UMY for raising an important topic on how to be part of AI development. "I believe that summer school will be the opportunity to discuss and deliberating further on this matters."

During the media interview, Prof. Dr. Ir. Gunawan Budiyanto, M.P., IPM., ASEAN Eng., Rector of UMY, explained, "The topic of this year's UMY Summer School is AI because when it was first introduced, many people worried that it would displace them from their jobs. Hence, this year's UMY Summer School will learn on how to implement AI in each department. They will also try to overcome challenges and discover solutions."

UMY Summer School 2023 will be held for four months, from June – September. Thus, all the departments will not be starting at the same time due to the difficulties in organizing the available rooms and lecturers and anticipating the approximately 900 students joining from various countries. Gunawan also hoped that the advancement of AI would be useful in assisting us in completing our tasks.



UMY's Impressive Improvement on THE Impact Ranking 2023

As awareness of the importance of reaching the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) grows, Universitas Muhammadiyah Yogyakarta (UMY) has the responsibility to play a role in achieving the objectives. The United Nations established the SDGs in 2015, which are a set of 17 interrelated global objectives to create a more sustainable and equal future for all. These objectives seek to address the world's most critical social, economic, and environmental issues by 2030.

UMY has implemented the 17 SDGs in every aspect which is acknowledged by the Times Higher Education (THE) Impact Rankings. In 2023, UMY secured a 601-800th place in the world along with other universities from all over the world including Ankara University, the University of Warsaw, China Medical University, and the University of Baghdad. In addition, UMY also ranked in the top 5 along with 4 other Indonesian universities.

In her recent interview, Dr. Mega Hidayati, S.Ag., S.S., M.A. as the Head of Organizational Development, Planning, and Development Board UMY stated, "The recent increase in UMY's place in THE Impact Ranking indicates that all of the UMY's academic community's efforts to implement SDGs have grown as well."

This achievement is not merely gained easily. A lot of effort has been made by all the academics community of UMY. The Planning and Development Board of UMY always conducts internal and external research related to THE Impact Ranking and submits suggestions to the UMY's higher. The lecturers had also actively taken part in research and community service based on SDGs goals. Besides all of that, the UMY's higher-ups' policies also played a role in being the initial key to success.

UMY has a strong commitment to contribute to solving the global humanitarian crisis and implementing SDGs is one of the initiatives to make an actual and measurable contribution to achieve that commitment.



"This year, UMY ranked 101-200th for 2 SDGs which are Zero Hunger and Decent Work and Economic Growth, which in other words, showed a strong commitment to preventing, reducing, and providing solutions in dealing with food and economic difficulties," Mega added

In addition to achieving a significant rise on THE Impact Rankings, UMY will keep continuing evaluating the results and finding new innovative strategies. Mega realized that there was still plenty that UMY could do to raise awareness about the SDGs initiative. But the most crucial thing right now is to integrate the SDGs into campus life.

International Student Mobility Program Discussion held by UMY to Encourage Study Abroad



Info Session on Student Exchange and IISMA Co-Funding Program was conducted on Thursday (15/6) at the AR Fachruddin A Building of Universitas Muhammadiyah Yogyakarta (UMY). Two special guests, Gunawan Triyadi and Aulia Hakim Handy, were also present to discuss their student exchange experiences.

The Student Mobility Team of the Office of Cooperation and International Affairs (OCIA) UMY explained the student exchange and IISMA Co-Funding program. The student exchange program is a regular program open during the spring and fall semesters. In the meantime, the IISMA Co-Funding Program was initiated by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Research, and Technology using a government-student financing scheme.

Gunawan Triyadi from International Program of Law and Shari (IPOLS) UMY shared his story during his study in Universitas Pompeu Fabra. Gunawan highlighted that students must be brave and make friends while studying abroad. "We cannot wait for people to approach you first, so we must approach them. Thankfully, everyone around me was all nice."

However, Maejo University returnee Aulia Hakim Handy from the International Program of Management and Business (IMaBS) UMY stated that communication is possible despite the fact that we do not speak their language. "Since the majority of the people there do not speak English well, I used a translation application to communicate and it worked out well."

Over 100 students participated from different departments and various questions were asked by participants that showed their enthusiasm towards this agenda. This information session is hoped encourage more students to study abroad, gain detailed information, and improve their preparation before they apply for student exchange program.

UMY Student Exchange Program

Universitas Muhammadiyah Yogyakarta provides an opportunity for all **international students** to join **Student Exchange Program** to study at UMY. International students can join this program for **one semester (6 months)**. This program has a lot of benefits. International students will have various skills such as global insight, familiar with the second language -English and other languages-, as well as familiar with the culture and social life in Indonesia, especially Yogyakarta in order to become an inclusive and multicultural society, can appreciate the diversity.

The benefits of UMY Student Exchange programs will receive are :

- Waived Tuition Fee
- Free Accommodation at the University Residence
- Only for reciprocal scheme the partner universities