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UMY and CMU are Ready to Collaborate on Academic Activities



Cooperation and network expansion are essential for universities to continue improving quality. Good cooperation will result in positive outcomes and benefits for all parties. The signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Universitas Muhammadiyah Yogyakarta (UMY) and Central Mindanao University (CMU) in the Philippines also demonstrates this.

The MoU between UMY and CMU was officially signed at the CMU campus in the Philippines on September 14. The MoU included cooperation in numerous academic activities that include the Higher Education Principles of teaching, research and development, and community service.

Prof. Dr. Achmad Nurmandi, M.Sc., Vice Rector V of Cooperation and International Affairs at UMY, and Dr. Rolito G. Eballe, President of CMU, represented their respective institutions. Both parties enthusiastically welcomed the foundation of the partnership and eagerly anticipated the emergence of the innovative programs in the near future.

Furthermore, Nurmandi explained that UMY hopes to promote all academic activities involving both universities through the collaboration. Academic collaboration and research, such as joint-research, student and faculty mobility, publications, benchmarking, as well as other potential activities that can be tailored to individual

requirements, are among the academic activities that will be conducted.

In addition to that, Nurmandi stated that the collaboration between UMY and CMU will serve as an umbrella for all UMY departments that wish to engage in academic activities with CMU. “We hope that the Graduate School, particularly the Master of Governmental Affairs program, and the Department of Social Sciences at CMU will foster this collaboration. We also expect that the collaboration will be maximized and that its opportunities will be used effectively”.



UMY and The Indonesian Economic and Trade Office to Taipei Officially Joined Hands on Academic Development

On September 13, Universitas Muhammadiyah Yogyakarta (UMY) and The Indonesian Economic and Trade Office to Taipei officially signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signifying a new step for both institutions and giving opportunities for the students of UMY to have an internship in Taipei.

Prof. Dr. Ir. Gunawan Budiyo, M.P., IPM., ASEAN Eng., Rector of UMY, expressed his expectation that this MOU would provide international exposure and character development for the students of UMY. “We hope that they will be able to experience the international environment while building a better and stronger character so that they can quickly adapt to the world’s dynamic environment.”

At the same time, Iqbal Shoffan Shofwan, M.Si., head of the Indonesian Economic and Trade Office to Taipei also expected that the signing of the agreement would be the first step in giving new experience for the students of UMY. “We hoped that the students of UMY who will be doing internship in our office would not only gain experiences but also new knowledge in fields they had never learned before which could contribute to the development of a strong character.”

As the Indonesian Economic and Trade Office in Taipei handles not only trade-related matters, but also the protection of Indonesian citizens in Taiwan, employment, immigration, investment, and industry, UMY students are expected of gaining lots of new knowledge. Therefore, such a partnership would be highly beneficial for both institutions.

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