



STUDY ABROAD IN ASIA

University of Udayana, in Bali, Indonesia, and Asia Exchange, a Finnish study abroad organization, begun their official partnership on the 28th of August in 2008. The partnership was followed by a complementing Friendship Agreement, signed on January 17th, 2012.

The University of Udayana's Bali International Program in Asian Studies (BIPAS) is an interdisciplinary undergraduate program which focuses on several topics in International Business Studies with an emphasis on Asia's role in the changing global landscape. The aim of the program is to give students a comprehensive view of Asian markets and a refined understanding of the Asian business culture in general.

Students in the BIPAS program are also able to study Indonesian language and literature. Students are awarded a transcript, with up to 20 U.S. study credits, upon completing the program.

Asia Exchange handles all admissions to the BIPAS program on University of Udayana's behalf. The BIPAS staff in Bali, as well as Asia Exchange staff on location in Bali, helps students with all of the issues and questions throughout the semester.

Asia Exchange has demonstrated a great capacity to handle the entire admissions of students. Asia Exchange also helps students with a number of practical matters from housing to visas, and sends the students all official documents from their chosen host university (including transcripts at the end of the semester).

Asia Exchange has organized study abroad semester at the University of Udayana for over 1,000 students since 2008.Most students in the program come from European universities but U.S. college students have been a steady presence in the program since its beginning - and are increasing in numbers.

University of Udayana and students' home universities save costs, time and resources by working together with Asia Exchange that in charge of all student admissions and student paperwork. Once a student decided to apply through the Asia Exchange, Asia Exchange will take care of the entire study abroad semester relieving home universities from the considerable workload.

The arrangement has proven itself accountable and transparent to all parties. University of Udayana and Asia Exchange have a close and personal working relationship and the program benefits from being annually reviewed and developed based on students and home institutions' feedback.

I sincerely encourage universities for open cooperation with us and Asia Exchange in this program, and hope that more students will choose BIPAS as their study abroad choice in the future.

Yours Sincerely,

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