

2018 年度 神戸大学男女共同参画推進室 ユネスコチェアサマープログラム 感想・報告書  
 2018 Kobe University Gender Equality Office UNESCO Chair Summer Program Reflection Report

学部・研究科 Faculty/School	学科・コース Course
GSICS	International Cooperation Policy Studies

(1) 見たこと/What you saw; (2) 考えたこと/What you thought; (3) 感じたこと/What you felt
After I spent couple of days in Indonesia my friends and family started to ask me – “How is Indonesia?”
To be honest, at the beginning I was a bit confused to find the proper answer and express all of the feelings I had, and tell about all of the new interesting things I had seen and learnt, because Indonesia turned out to be different from any other country I have ever been to, and unique in its beauty and brightness. Firstly, I was impressed by the palm trees growing everywhere and fruits I have never seen in my life before, people mostly riding motorbikes instead of the cars and combination of huge shopping malls and long crowded street markets. After meeting the professors and students of UGM, I got to know more about local people and had a chance to ask questions about their daily lives and the attitudes and behavior of the local people in different situations. On a weekend we went sightseeing and visited places with the unimaginably beautiful views, and even had a chance to try on the traditional Javanese clothes.
Apart from being sleepy and excited before every trip we had and every place we have visited, I often found myself feeling and behaving like a little kid who just started learning about the world or just had the first chocolate candy. Especially, when tasting my first coconut ever!
On a way to Timang beach – place with the beautiful view in the southern part of Yogyakarta, I suddenly felt that I am so happy and, first of all, happy that I had a chance to come to this beautiful place and meet so many nice, wonderful and sincere people. I also felt very grateful to every circumstance and every person who helped me to enter Kobe University and get engaged in this program.
Thanks to this summer school, I gained much knowledge on Indonesia, its culture and, how people in Indonesia cope with the high risks of disasters and disasters themselves. Closer to the end of the program we also learned how to work in groups and summarized everything we had learned. By working in a team with not only Japanese students but also students from Taiwan and Indonesia, I understood that I missed so much time before I actually got to know these people closer. Because, during the first week and a weekend, Japanese team was spending time by themselves, the same did Taiwanese students. That is why only the final presentation gave us a boost to know each other better. May be in the next summer programs

it would be nice to either make more group works or ice-braking games during the first week too.

Thanks to our hosts in UGM University, we also had a chance to meet and talk to local people and officials responsible for disaster risk management. As the majority mostly spoke only Bahasa language, Indonesian students helped us with the translation. However, that would be great if this translation was more structured. Our group had hard times in following the ideas of BPBD officials as in many cases Indonesian students were listening and asking questions to the officials by themselves and telling us only some information after quite a while. That is why, unfortunately, I did not get the clear idea of their work and still had many questions to ask.

On the other hand, I can not but mention how interesting and engaging were the lectures and the trips, how responsible and helpful were the students of UGM, who were there always for us to help.

This summer program was a great way to learn and share, to travel and to make new friends, to explore and experience, and I am proud to be a part of it.