ASEAN YOUTH INITIATIVE
EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM 2021

"Fostering Youth’s Initiative in ASEAN Development"

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Since the 11th ASEAN Summit in 2005, the construction of ASEAN Identity has been envisioned as a central element in forming an ASEAN Community consisting of three interconnected pillars: political-security, economic, and socio-cultural. The ASEAN Identity ASEAN identity is seen as a social and political feature shaped by the people of Southeast Asia to which they attach a collective agenda and shared aspirations. Therefore, ASEAN Identity cannot be defined solely by historical and cultural similarities. Identity is how people in ASEAN view their entire future and replicate this spirit for the desired change.

ASEAN Studies Center, Universitas Gadjah Mada proudly presents the 3rd ASEAN Youth Initiative Empowerment Program (AYIEP). This year’s AYIEP will be held with the theme of “Fostering Youth’s Initiative in ASEAN Development” which carries the spirit of ASEAN unity and integrity. It offers a productive activity that focuses on the community, especially the youth, to affirm ASEAN Identity. ASEAN youth have a high level of mobility, especially with the rapid advancement of technology. They are also the main actors in some production chains and business within the region. Furthermore, they play a significant role as potential leaders who will steer ASEAN regional policies in the future. Hence, it is undeniable for the ASEAN Youth to collectively form a central agency with strong influence in giving meaning to this activity.

The 3rd AYIEP will replicate the main principles of ASEAN Community Vision 2025: a people-centric community in which ASEAN youth are active agencies in determining the future of the most substantial international organization in Southeast Asia. While emphasizing the significance of the ASEAN community for young people, this short course is also intended to involve ASEAN youth participation through discussions on ASEAN Community cross-pillar issues that require appropriate responses for regional development.

With a theme of “Fostering Youth’s Initiative in ASEAN Development”, the 3rd AYIEP is a short course where ASEAN youth can understand, share knowledge and views regarding identity, as well as challenges and opportunities in ASEAN development. AYIEP specifically aims to:

- Form a forum for the youth to share their critical perspectives on current issues and ASEAN dynamics.
- Strengthen the voice of ASEAN youth as a foundation for developing a more meaningful ASEAN Identity.
- Create an ASEAN leadership generation with a strong vision.
WHY AYIEP?

Here are few benefits we offer for you to enrol in ASEAN Youth Initiative Empowerment Program:

- Earn study credits (equivalent to 3 credits).
- Experience studying online at Universitas Gadjah Mada.
- Expand your knowledge and understanding of current issues in Southeast Asia and ASEAN dynamics.
- Create your international network and meet peers from all over the world.
- Engage with leading lecturers, influential figures and experts in fields related to ASEAN.

TOPIC COVERAGE

- Introduction to ASEAN (including a brief virtual tour around ASEAN countries).
- Public Lecture on “A Reflection of ASEAN: Then and Now”.
- ASEAN Youth Activism on Non-Traditional Issues.
- Future of the Digital ASEAN Economy.
- Regional Community Building through ASEAN Pop Culture.
- Democracy Building in ASEAN.

TARGETED PARTICIPANTS

Students between the ages of 15 and 24 years old who are interested in ASEAN-related issues. Ranging from students who are in their final year of undergraduate studies or are in high school and those who are active in youth organizations or ASEAN institutions.

AYIEP 2021: “Fostering Youth’s Initiative in ASEAN Development”
TENTATIVE COURSE SCHEDULE

Week 1: Introduction to ASEAN  
Saturday, 7 Aug 2021

Public Lecture on ASEAN Day Celebration  
“A Reflection of ASEAN: Then and Now”  
Sunday, 8 Aug 2021

Week 2: ASEAN Youth Activism on  
Non-Traditional Security Issues  
Wednesday, 11 Aug 2021  
Thursday, 12 Aug 2021

Week 3: Future of the ASEAN Digital Economy  
Wednesday, 18 Aug 2021  
Thursday, 19 Aug 2021

Week 4: Regional Community Building Through ASEAN Pop Culture  
Wednesday, 25 Aug 2021  
Thursday, 26 Aug 2021

Week 5: Democracy Building in ASEAN  
Wednesday, 1 Sept 2021  
Saturday, 4 Sept 2021

PROGRAM PACKAGES

Individual Package  
for 1 pax  
Registration Date  
4 June - 11 July 2021  
Benefits  
Access to all AYIEP Classes  
Engage with Experts and Facilitators  
Certificate of Completion  
3 C.U. from AYIEP Class  
Additional 3 C.U. for Writing Output (Total 6 C.U.)  
Additional 3 C.U. from Activism Output (Total 9 C.U.)  
IDR 1,000,000 / each  
approximately USD 75

Partial Scholarship Package  
for 2 pax  
Registration Date  
4 June - 7 July 2021  
Benefits  
Access to all AYIEP Classes  
Engage with Experts and Facilitators  
Certificate of Completion  
3 C.U. from AYIEP Class  
Additional 3 C.U. for Writing Output (Total 6 C.U.)  
Additional 3 C.U. from Activism Output (Total 9 C.U.)  
IDR 850,000 / each  
approximately USD 60

Partial Scholarship Package  
for 1 pax  
Registration Date  
4 June - 5 July 2021  
Benefits  
Access to all AYIEP Classes  
Engage with Experts and Facilitators  
Certificate of Completion  
No transferable Credit Unit  
IDR 350,000 / each  
approximately USD 24.5
Module 1 : Introduction to ASEAN (lecture and virtual tour around ASEAN countries).
The first lecture will provide you with an overview of the political, cultural, and economic landscape of each ASEAN Member State. Given its impressive diversity, the Southeast Asia region is argued to be the most dynamic area of the world, which largely accounts for its international significance. Get ready to explore and enjoy the thrills, straight to your screen!

Module 2 : Public Lecture on “A Reflection of ASEAN: Then and Now”
Since its establishment in 1967, ASEAN has experienced change and continuity, from the restructuring of economic integration to the expansion of political processes. Many reforms generate substantial shifts, notably in the areas of peace building, regional policy-making, and human rights. Numerous issues accommodated in this lecture are desired to broaden our insights of the state-to-state relation and organizational significance to the region.

Module 3 : ASEAN Youth Activism on Non-Traditional Security

Issue 1 - ASEAN Youth Leading Action on Climate Strikes.
As the most challenging issue, yet often neglected, the climate crisis has long been hailed since the region’s declaration to the 2007 Bali UN Climate Change Conference. The agenda mostly addresses the issue not only through the policy but also through ASEAN Community Building. However, the actions planned were not fully rooted from the people, particularly the youth community. By examining the various developments in sectoral areas, this lecture hopes to provide our understanding of the stumbling blocks, the sustainability of natural resources, and the commitment of the Heads of State / Government.

Module 4 : ASEAN Youth Activism on Non-Traditional Security

Issue 2 - The Coronavirus Outbreak: A Call for a Better Health Security in ASEAN.
What can we learn from the Covid-19 outbreak? What is next for the regional health infrastructure? These are two essential questions that we are going to break down. While we know that the region is lacking community preparedness and absence of leadership, the urgency to form a regional health body intensifies. Looking forward, to achieve health equity and resilience need regional efforts in strengthening the partnership, enhancing scientific research, and intensifying intervention against the diseases.

Module 5 : Future of the Digital ASEAN Economy

Issue 1 - ASEAN Business in the 4.0 Industrial Revolution
In the vast changing world, falling behind technologically carries major costs - which cover four prominent sectors; infrastructures, services, platforms, and devices. Unprecedented transformation, in particular the digital economy, may bring short-term disruptions. Looking at the bigger figure, digital acceleration can foster economic development especially in the developing countries. Various policy interventions can be taken in order to build a more sustainable economic environment.
Module 6 : Future of the Digital ASEAN Economy

Issue 2 : Youth Mobility for Better Integration across ASEAN.

The signing of Bali Concord II marked the establishment of the ASEAN Community which comprises three pillars. However, it would be only a promising agenda if the implementations are left unchecked. Among the challenges, ASEAN Community Building can harness the opportunities through integration, cooperation, and commitment, especially when the ASEAN youth have been considered to take an important role in building ASEAN as one vision, one identity, and one community.

Module 7 : Regional Community Building through ASEAN Pop Culture

Issue 1 : Focus Group Discussion on ASEAN Tourism, Culinary, Arts, and Regional Wisdom.

Aligned with the goal of creating ASEAN Community Building, this lecture will shed light on pop culture as the basis of development in the region. By recognizing the sphere of cultural aspects, the discussion will encourage the ideas of crafting authentic connections among countries, raising a sense of belonging, and further developing meaningful participation in the regional architecture.

Module 8 : Regional Community Building through ASEAN Pop Culture

Issue 2: Will ASEAN Create a Pan-Southeast Asia Pop Culture?

This lecture will unfold lingering questions of how pop culture can determine regional community building. The rapid tourism development in Southeast Asia seems to affect the advancement of the arts and entertainment industries, many of which have been internationally recognized. Hence, it is likely for the region to get greater awareness through its pop culture lifestyle. Moreover, it will discover the upcoming challenges in cross-cutting areas such as sustainable development and regional identity.

Module 9 : Democracy Building in ASEAN:

Issue : Advancing the ASEAN Way through the diverse political view among the ASEAN Member States.

This lecture outlines the democracy agenda embodied in the ASEAN Security Community Plan of Action, while at the same time, recognizing the diversity of political characteristics among its member states. Several points of issues are as follows; to what extent democracy building could be promoted in various norms, what are the agenda to apprehend the promotion of human rights and good governance, and what are the limitations and opportunities that can be taken in advancing the regional agenda.

Module 10 : Joint Communique.

To sum up its parts, this final project will invite the participants to discuss and conclude several highlighted issues from the whole short course program. They will later draft a joint statement, in which the points within are adapted from the results of their discussion. The joint statement is expected to be presented to youth organizations all over the Southeast Asian region.
**LECTURERS LIST**

**Dr. Dafri Agussalim**
Dr. Dafri is a senior lecturer at the Department of International Relations, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Universitas Gadjah Mada. His research interests include studies on human rights, international security and area studies, particularly Australia, Southeast Asia, East Asia and the Pacific. He is currently appointed as the Executive Director of ASEAN Studies Center, Universitas Gadjah Mada.

**Dr. Randy Wirasta Nandyatama**
Dr. Randy is a lecturer at the Department of International Relations, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Universitas Gadjah Mada. His expertise includes ASEAN studies, human rights studies and international regimes.

**Dr. Luqman-nul Hakim**
Dr. Luqman is a lecturer at the Department of International Relations, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Universitas Gadjah Mada. He has done a lot of research related to social-democracy-development nexus, comparative political economy development, and international politics.

**I Gusti Agung Made Wardana, Ph.D**
Dr. Agung is a lecturer at the Faculty of Law, Universitas Gadjah Mada. His research interests are environmental law and governance, environmental politics and social movement. His expertise in these fields is highly relevant to courses related to ASEAN youth activism on non-traditional security issues, where environmental issues are included.

**Dr Saidatul Nadia Binti Abd Aziz(Phd)**
Dr. Nadia is a Senior Lecturer in the Faculty of Law, National University of Malaysia. She obtained her doctorate degree in law from the Faculty of Law, National University of Malaysia in 2017. Was previously an advocate and Solicitor (Called to the bar on 4.4. 2011). Currently, her research is specifically in the issue of ASEAN integration. Her research focuses on the legal challenges faced by ASEAN member states in order to achieve development of the region. She had also worked on papers mainly on ASEAN integration discussing on numerous of issues namely on Migration issues and recently on South China Sea Dispute.

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<td>Final Project</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>At the end of the program, participants will be assigned to write a final paper related to the theme of this short course. Participants are expected to be able to explain their understanding of the entire program through the paper. They can also provide suggestions according to their views on how youth can play a deeper role in encouraging development in ASEAN.</td>
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<td>Group Work</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>Participants will be divided into several groups where they will be given group assignments (group discussions, quizzes, and presentations) related to the available course materials.</td>
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<td>Individual Assignment</td>
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<td>Besides group assignments, participants will also work on individual assignments. Participants are expected to do individual quizzes, submit articles related to recent issues in ASEAN, particularly about the role of ASEAN youth in the development of the Southeast Asia region.</td>
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<td>Student Activeness</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>Participants must attend at least 75% of the whole short course program and are expected to actively participate within the discussions in each course.</td>
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