



# AJCU – East Asia Oceania SERVICE LEARNING PROGRAM

## *“Education for Constructive Dialogue”*

### August 3 – August 23, 2009

Sanata Dharma University  
Yogyakarta - Indonesia

### Practical Information

#### 1. Visa Requirements

Participants are requested to secure a visa to enter Indonesia. Please consult the nearest Indonesian embassy.

#### 2. What to bring

Please travel light.

- a. Clothing. Locals generally dress informally. Light summer clothing is ideal, but don't forget to bring a jacket /umbrella in case of rain. For exposure trips to the mountain community it might be cold, so a light sweater would be useful. Don't forget your bathing suit for the beach/swimming pool. Comfortable rubber shoes/sandals are advised.
- b. Native costume for the community cultural presentation (may also double as formal attire).
- c. Insect repellent, generally to ward off persistent mosquitoes.
- d. Sun block.
- e. Personal grooming essentials.
- f. Camera (optional).

#### 3. About Yogyakarta

Yogyakarta, known as the “Student Town”, is the central place for many well-known universities in Indonesia. The city has a population of more than 2 million people, and many of them are students ranging from Kindergarten to college students from all over Indonesia and even all over the world. Yogyakarta is also known for its active volcano, Mount Merapi and its beach, Parangtritis. They are located in the Northern part of Yogyakarta and the Southern part of Yogyakarta respectively. Besides that, this town is known as a special province because it has a kingdom and a sultan.

Yogyakarta has a tropical climate and has two seasons, dry and wet. The annual average temperature is 29 °C. Javanese is the local language but the society uses many Indonesian

language due to the many newcomers from outside Yogyakarta. The locals rarely converse in English.

The standard living in Yogyakarta is considered cheaper compared to the other big cities in Java. There are restaurants selling traditional Indonesian cuisines in which the price range is 1 – 3 US Dollars per meal. You may also find many fast-food restaurants such as Kentucky Fried Chicken (KFC), McDonalds, pizza parlors such as Pizza Hut and Papa Ron's and Asian food restaurants such as Chinese, Korean, and Japanese. The price range for these restaurants is 3 – 5 US Dollars per meal.

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