

The Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia in Baku has the pleasure to inform you that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia is offering the “2018 Indonesian Arts and Culture Scholarship (IACS)” for applicants from 55 countries, including Azerbaijan, to learn Indonesian arts and culture in Indonesia.

The scholarship will start in April 2018 for the duration of 3 (three) months. Participants will be assigned and divided by the organizing committee to 6 art centres in Indonesia located in 6 provinces, namely Bali (Badung), West Sumatera (Padang), East Kalimantan (Samarinda), East Java (Surabaya), South Sulawesi (Makassar) and Yogyakarta. Participants will be trained and introduced to the local culture and heritage such as dance classes, gamelan (traditional instruments), batik, painting, museums, nature tourism, traditional food, etc. At the end of the program, all participants will display their learning outcomes in a stage work of “Indonesian Channel” that will be held in West Sumatera (Padang).

The 2017 IACS will be held from 17 March to 24 June 2018 with a schedule as the following:

	Program	Schedule	Venue
1	Arrival	17-18 March 2018	Jakarta
2	Orientation and <i>Outbound</i>	19-25 March 2018	Jakarta and East Java
3	Opening Ceremony by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Indonesia	23 March 2018 ( <i>tbc</i> )	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Jakarta
4	Training	26 March-17 June 2018	Bali, Yogyakarta, East Java, South Sulawesi, West Sumatera, and East Kalimantan
5	Closing Ceremony and cultural performance “ <i>Indonesia Channel (Inchan)</i> ”	21 June 2018	Padang (West Sumatera) or Jakarta
	Preparation for Inchan and farewell	18-22 June 2018	
6	Departure	23-24 June 2018	Jakarta

Indonesian Government will cover all expenses for participants which include: tuition fee, a round trip economy class ticket, accommodation, local transport during program, limited health insurance, and monthly allowance.

The terms and conditions for applying the program are as follows:

- 21 to 27 years old;
- A Motivation Letter;
- 3 (three) passport sized photographs;
- A photo-copy of passport with validity period at least two years;
- A photo-copy of academic diploma;
- A photo-copy of the latest valid health certification from a qualified medical practitioner. On the day of leaving the origin country, participants should equipped themselves with a valid health certification from a qualified medical practitioner;
- A letter of recommendation;
- A personal signed statement.

Please find attached the Information, Application Form, and Personal Statement of 2018 IACS. The application form and all necessary documents should be sent **by 29 December 2017** to:

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