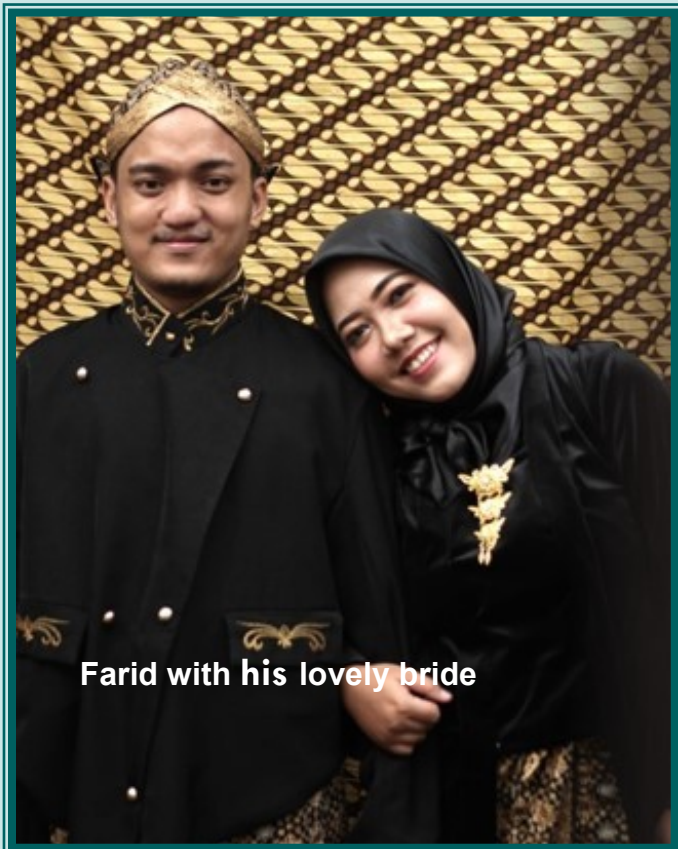


Rehabilim Scholars continue to achieve with your support

Klaas Kloeten Scholars



Farid with his lovely bride

Our very grateful thanks to the Kloeten family for their continuing financial support for the Klaas Kloeten Scholars.

Our representative in Yogyakarta, Ibu Retno Embarini, has sent a report on two students, former student Farid Setyawan who majored in Agriculture at Gajah Mada University a few years ago, and Uswinda Dwi Lestari who is doing her final thesis on Psychology.

Farid has been working in Jakarta at the Ministry of Agriculture. He got married last year and is expecting a baby. He bought a small house in Jakarta but he will soon have to move to Kalimantan where the Indonesian capital will move to. Farid provides advice to other disability students who want to register as a civil servant just like him. During his studies he had good support from his family.

Uswinda is busy with her thesis. Her situation is quite different from Farid. She has no parents; they died a long time ago. She has a sister but left her living alone in Yogyakarta. She used to work hard to meet her daily needs, but during the pandemic she had more financial problems on top of getting covid. All these problems were a setback for Uswinda. Retno said they were able to give her advice and support to get her through. The Trust was also able to supply her with a laptop which has helped her get back-on-track with her thesis.



It should be noted that Uswinda has completed 49 grade assignments – 31 with A to A-; 16 with B+ to B-; that is a 98% achievement rate. Well done Uswinda.

From The Chair



There is probably not a country in the world that Covid has not affected and for that matter very few communities have escaped the ravages of the virus.

If it wasn't the original virus then it might have been the Delta strain or the Omnicron strain and now there are another two new strains entering New Zealand.

Will they take hold and cause us to shut down, like everyone I hope not.

Some countries have been harder hit than others and overall NZ has escaped the worst of the pandemic.

In Indonesia, there have been large numbers of people affected and a large number of deaths reported.

Vaccines are available, but in many cases, due to the low awareness by some of its poorer inhabitants who have not known how to handle an infection or seek help.

In some cases, vaccines have been free and in others they are not.

I am pleased to report that all of our scholarship students have escaped the virus except one, who had a mild infection, but has recovered.

It is to be hoped that no new variants appear and set us back.

Stay safe and free from this virus, it has no friends.

Bill Russell

Chairman

Asih Puji Lestari

Studying English at STBA LIA Yogyakarta



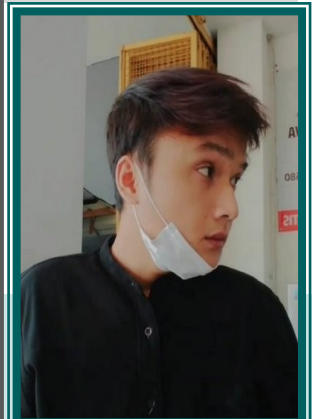
I am in the final semester and I am working on a Work Portfolio that contains 3 projects selected by students that have been done in the previous semester and then made into 1 title. The title of my work portfolio is "Improving Public Speaking Skill Through Three Projects A Portfolio". The 3 projects I chose were Video Project of Unforgettable Vacation at The Mini Zoo Jogja Exotarium, Virtual Tour at Agrowisata Turi, and Tourist Interview at Malioboro. I am currently working on a revision of my work portfolio assignment.

I am very happy and grateful can get the scholarship so that I can continue my education up to the college level. In addition, I am very happy to be able to study for this diploma 3 English major because that is my dream since I was in senior high school and also because English graduates have extensive job opportunities.

Setting out to achieve their dreams

Rehabilim Trust Scholar updates

It's always wonderful to hear from our scholars, especially, about not only how they're coping with life, but gaining confidence as they progress through their tertiary learning and campus experiences. They are encouraged to put into practice their english in reports to the Trust. Here are their stories as we received them.



Rizky Riananda

Studying Development Economics at Ahmad Dahlan University

Still as before, I'm running with online lectures. I hope next March I can join an offline lecture but in my university is still only planning to do offline lectures. Last November I had an online midterm examination. Like other students I also have problems with Wi-Fi, unstable connections time after time even when I was doing examination.

I feel that my English is not good enough, so I must learn more because most of the material is in English. My vocabulary is very limited and my grammar also. The other problem is that sometimes I'm nervous when I must do a conversation test even though it is online. I promised to myself that I must learn to be more self-confident.

To help my parents, since few months ago I have started a small business selling pulsa and GSM equipment while I help the warung (small shop) of my mother.

Yunita Windy Astuti



Studying Management at STIE SBI
YOGYAKARTA

Oh yeah, Mr. Bill, now I am taking the Mid-Semester Examination offline, this is my first time taking an offline examination on campus, please pray for me Mr. Bill so that I can take this exam smoothly and get good grades.

I have started studying offline, I am very happy that I can finally feel like a real student, I can meet my friends, and meet my good and friendly lecturers. I am very happy with all of this, and I will study hard so that I can graduate quickly with good grades and make my parents proud of me.

I have also attended disability day events, there I was able to meet friends who also have disabilities, I felt touched and happy to meet all of them, with this I became more confident and not ashamed anymore if I met them with other people who do not have disabilities.

Until now I can't drive a motorcycle so I'm dependent on someone who can bring me. Now I will keep asking my parents to give permission to learn to drive motorcycle. I will keep telling myself that I want to be an independent person.

Edi Priyanto

Studying Crafts at ISI Yogyakarta
(Indonesia Arts Institute)

Like other friends I am also busy with online lectures, but in the meantime, I'm busy practicing learning about Batik. In the 3rd semester I have been practicing a lot of Batik techniques, learning about types of batik and I must draw or paint every type. Learning how to choose the right material according to its type (for every type of Batik) is new knowledge for me.

Sometimes I discuss with my fellow majors and other majors, even with seniors, to get the latest references about the current development of craft art. I have also made works on aluminum plate media, combining it with dry plants.

I also have a small project with my friends teaching children in a village how to make drawings with an



eco-printing system. These drawings are very simple to make and the children like it very much. All of my experiences made me learn more about many things and work harder.

Lutfi Ma'rifatu Khasanah



Studying Islamic educational at UIN
Sunan Kalijaga Yogyakarta

Classes are still carried out online via ZOOM until now. I use online lecturer with my GSM (handphone). It is difficult but I'm lucky there is a volunteer who always helps me especially when I must do assignment with written as I am blind. This volunteer is someone who was recommended by my campus.

Apart from studying, I also participated in several activities organized by my campus. I take part in several activities as preparation for work, as a teacher. I was working on a practical assignment for teaching the FIKIH. (*Red. Fikih is a field of science in Islamic law which specifically discusses legal issues that regulate various aspects of human life*).

I also join part in the computer speaking training and the Al Qur'an in braille, which is held by PLD (Disability's Services Center) in campus UIN.

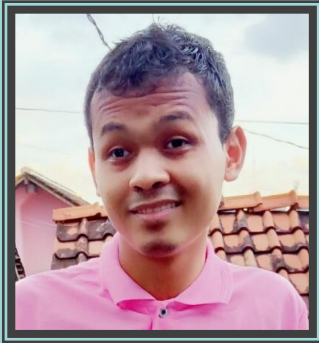
In my free time I'm doing household helping my mother and help my little daughter doing her assignment from school.

Guntur Purnomo Aji

Studying Islamic Educational at Alma Ata

I'm currently in semester 3. I have learned a lot of subjects about Islam. Such as Islamic Psychology and its development until now and I learned Moslem history and developments in Indonesia. I have learned many things from that lesson so I have to be patient to be really understanding because in the future I must be able to convey this to students when I work as a teacher of Moslem Religion.

During my study I also have obstacles, such as sometimes when the lecturer is explaining by online and the internet connection was unstable, I missed some lessons. To cope this problem usually I go to my friend. Usually in my leisure time I teach Karate sport for children.



Suryanto Beasiswa Studying Social Welfare Studies at UIN

I have missed a lot of lessons during the pandemic. On my campus there are special facilities for the blind, one of which is a sound laptop. So, me and many friends who are blind just like me are very dependent on this facility. Unfortunately, since the pandemic the campus was closed and we couldn't use the sound laptop anymore.

Some friends then bought laptops so they could continue studying online. Meanwhile, sometimes I have to borrow from my friend, but I can't do it often. It's why I could not do my assignments fully.

Last time I sent a proposal to use some of my scholarship fund to buy a laptop. Few weeks ago, I heard that they approved my proposal and Pusat Rehabilitasi Yakkum will help to buy it. I'm very happy with that and also my campus gives me a tuition discount. Soon I will do my assignment and online lecture as well. I'm very thankful to donor (Rehabilim Trust) and PRY.

Aldo Christyano Studying Communication and Multimedia Science at Mercu Buana University

My reason for learning in Multimedia Science is because I want to work in a Television station. That's why I always actively take classes that are held online every day. But the problem I always have is when I'm attending online learning is a bad signal. When it happened, I went directly to my grandmother's house, where the signal was stronger.

I'm currently studying the importance of technology during a pandemic, and also learned about the advantages and disadvantages of existing communication tools. In my leisure I often make videos and pictures, such as making nice and interesting objects, we call them cinematic videos. Sometimes I also invite neighbors or organizations in my village to help them make a video or photos of some event, and I'm glad to do.

I have joined a church organisation multi-media team as a video editor and cameraman. My future plan is to make my parents proud of my grades.



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