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About Us

The Indonesian Scholarship and Research Support Foundation (ISRSF) is an Indonesian philanthropic organization established as an Indonesian legal entity on March 30, 2012 by Indonesian and American scholars. The Foundation is an independent, non-profit, and non-partisan organization. Our Board, staff, and benefactors are people deeply committed to achieving excellence in Indonesian higher education. Our aim is to cultivate a core network of transformative scholars whose teaching and academic productivity will shape ideas and concepts in Indonesia for many decades to come.

Our Mission

The mission of ISRSF is to train a new generation of world-class Indonesian scholars. Beyond that, the Foundation will provide on-going support for innovative research and knowledge on important societal issues. It is not enough just to produce new PhDs. We at ISRSF believe that a deliberate effort is required to produce committed scholars who will significantly increase the number of Indonesian academics devoted to teaching as well as path-breaking research and publication. ISRSF is committed to nurturing a new breed of critical Indonesian scholars concentrated in the social sciences and public policy. The Foundation upholds the highest standards of integrity and excellence, and we are determined and aggressive in reaching our objectives. But we do not seek instant results. The educational seeds planted now will germinate over a period of years and will bear fruit over a period of decades and generations.

Our Plan

To achieve our important goals, ISRSF will recruit, train, and graduate twenty innovative scholars focused mainly in the social sciences – especially political science, history, sociology, philosophy, and anthropology. We will also support candidates for doctoral degrees in law, management, journalism and communications, and economic development studies. Each year until 2016 we will select four talented Indonesians who show great potential to become leading scholars. Each will receive an educational award as Arryman Fellows. Arryman Fellows will spend one year at Northwestern University conducting research, perfecting their English language skills, and taking graduate classes for credit in preparation for doctoral studies in the field of their choosing. Arryman Fellows are then eligible to receive six-year awards from ISRSF as Arryman Scholars to pursue their Ph.D at Northwestern.

Arryman Fellows & Scholars

ISRSF actively searches for the most brilliant and promising Indonesians from all regions and provinces to become Arryman Fellows and Arryman Scholars. Those who win educational awards from ISRSF are candidates who not only have a record of academic excellence, but also a demonstrated commitment to becoming a leading scholar. Only those who possess a deep yearning for knowledge through research, publication, and teaching can become true scholars. It is more than a profession. It is an identity. The training to become a scholar is long and rigorous. The average U.S. doctoral program in the social sciences takes six years. This period of training will provide Arryman Fellows and Arryman Scholars with skills, knowledge, and confidence in their abilities as an academic. Graduates of this program will have the preparation and momentum to become world-class leaders in their field.

ISRSF will award five cohorts of Arryman Fellows. The first entering class was in 2012 and the last will be in 2016. The first graduating class will be in 2019 and the last in 2023. We are confident that the decade of the 2020s will witness the contribution of twenty first-rate and committed Indonesian scholars who dedicate their life's work to scholarship and academic excellence in and for Indonesia. Their contribution to Indonesian society, politics, and economics will be felt for decades as these scholars produce subsequent generations of scholars trained in the same tradition.

Why Arryman?

The Fellows and Scholars are named on honor of the late Dr. Arif Arryman (1956 – 2010). Arryman was a cosmopolitan Indonesian whose exemplary life and career spanned academia, business, government, and civil society. A consummate intellectual, Arryman was inspirational and incorruptible. He managed to be deeply critical of Indonesia and a determined advocate for transformative change, while also being constructive and diplomatic. He was known for his vision, insights, and global perspective. Arryman was devoted to education and served as one of the inspirations and architects of Indonesia's relationships with the Harvard Kennedy School and Northwestern University. This educational initiative is named in his honor and made possible through the generous support of our benefactors.



In Association with Northwestern University

ISRSF's educational partner for the Arryman program is Northwestern University in Chicago. The Foundation's relationship with NU is at the highest level via the university's Office of the Vice-President for Research. ISRSF works directly with NU's Buffett Center for International and Comparative Studies and the Equality Development and Globalization Studies program (www.EDGS.northwestern.edu). The directors of these units ensure the Arryman Fellows and Scholars are mentored during their studies at NU. A special Arryman Graduate Committee composed of NU professors exists to guide the placement of Arryman Scholars into doctoral programs of their choice.

Shaping a Brighter Indonesian Future

Upon their return to Indonesia, freshly minted Arryman Scholars with doctorates in hand will form the core faculty at a new Indonesian School of Public Policy and Social Sciences, which is being developed in association with the Harvard Kennedy School, Northwestern University's Equality Development and Globalization Studies (EDGS) program, the Australian National University, and Cambridge University. The new school is being spearheaded by the Rajawali Foundation. This institution will embody a strong academic ethos while providing a stimulating and supportive habitat for scholars.

This new school will be realized in phases starting in 2014 and completed by 2018. It will provide a productive environment for returning Arryman Scholars to pursue their research and conduct their teaching of new generations of scholars.

2012 Arryman Fellows

The first cohort of distinguished and talented Arryman Fellows was selected in June 2012 from a strong pool of applicants. They arrived at Northwestern University in August 2012. In April 2013 ISRSF will consider these Fellows as candidates to become Arryman Scholars. The 2012 Arryman Fellows are:



Danang Kurniadi

Danang graduated with distinction in 2009 from Gadjah Mada University's Law School. As an undergraduate, Danang was showered with awards for scholarship from the Ministry of Education, Republic of Indonesia. His strong intellectual capacity has enabled him to win the National Debate Competition conducted by the Indonesian Constitutional Court in 2008 and 2009. His strong inclination toward research was shown by his numerous activities in research projects, particularly on corruption-related issues.

Gde Dwitya Arief Metera

Gde graduated from the English Department at Gadjah Mada University with strong academic interests in cultural studies, particularly in religion and social change. He finished his master's degree in religious studies at Gadjah Mada University in May 2012. He was awarded a Graduate Student Fellowship by the Asian Research Institute at National University of Singapore in 2011. He intends to pursue his doctorate in cultural studies exploring the intersection of religion, society, and politics.



Hipolitus Yolisandary Ringgi

Hipo is a political scientist who graduated in 2006 from Pembangunan Nasional Veteran University, Yogyakarta. He completed his master's degree in political science at University of Indonesia in 2012, where he was also a research fellow at Pacivis, a research center conducting cross-border research on civil society. He has published several academic and popular articles. He intends to pursue a comparative study of the Indonesian, Thai and Filipino militaries in the context of democratic consolidation.



Call for Arryman Fellows

ISRSF invites promising young Indonesians to apply as Arryman Fellows. Applicants should have at least an S-1 and they should possess a strong commitment to becoming first-rate scholars. The Foundation prefers candidates below 35, but will consider exceptional candidates above this age. The online application for the Arryman Fellowship must be completed by January 31. The Selection Committee will interview the short-listed candidates in the first week of April and notify the winners of Fellowship awards soon thereafter.

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Non-discrimination Policy

ISRSF does not discriminate on the basis of ethnicity, national origin, gender, religion, political affiliation, personal differences, or minority status of any kind. The Foundation seeks talented Indonesians from all parts of the country and we especially encourage women to apply to become Arryman Fellows.

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