

# FY2013 Re-Inventing Japan Project (AIMS Program)

## Sophia University

【Name of project】(Adopted year: FY2013, AIMS Program )

Trans-Disciplinary Human Development Education Program Aiming for Harmonized Diversity

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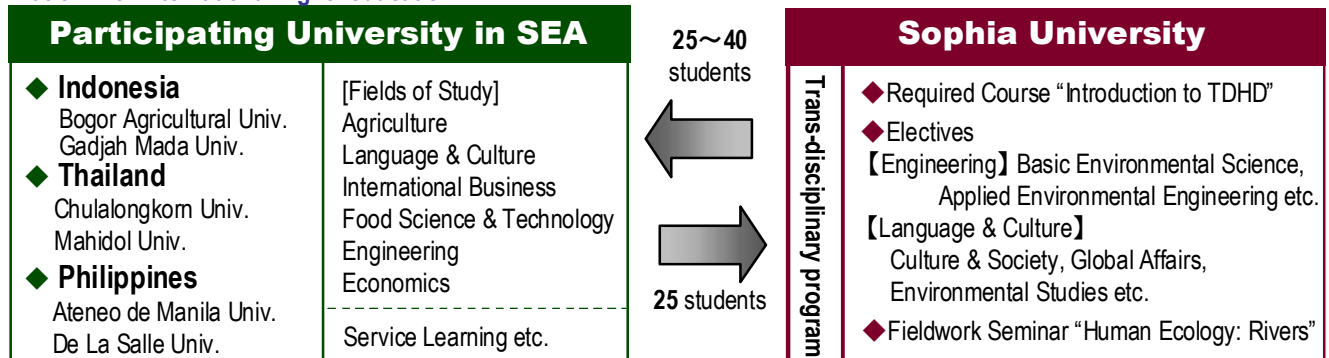
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### Program with Quality Assurance

- Registrars (faculty members) at the ASEAN Liaison Office provide academic advising for students.
- Program Development Conference will be held every year to evaluate the program, joined by faculty members from Sophia and the participating universities in Southeast Asia (SEA).

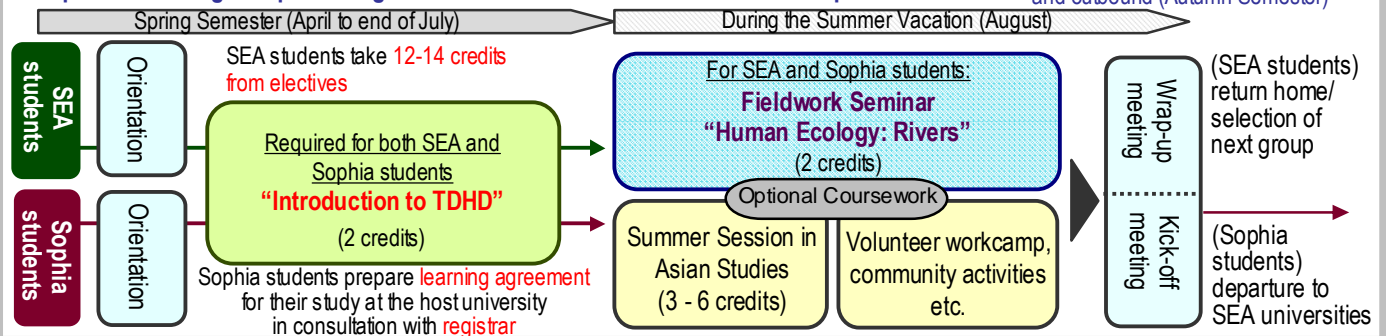
### Contents of the Program 【Sophia AIMS Program (SAIMS)】

#### Platform for international higher education



#### Sophia AIMS Program: promoting interactions between SEA students and Sophia students

\*example of inbound (Spring Semester) and outbound (Autumn Semester)



### Student-Mobility

Note: These numbers are at application of this project.

M: Malaysia I: Indonesia T: Thailand  
V: Vietnam P: Philippines B: Brunei

	H25						H26						H27						H28						H29					
	M	I	T	V	P	B	M	I	T	V	P	B	M	I	T	V	P	B	M	I	T	V	P	B	M	I	T	V	P	B
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### Facilitating Student-Mobility

【for all participating students】

- Establishment of the ASEAN Liaison Office
- Program which enables students from SEA and Japan to study together

【for SEA students】

- Counseling services in English
- Active interactions with Sophia students and local communities at the Sophia Soshigaya International House

【for Sophia students】

- ASEAN Fair for promoting study abroad in SEA
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Sophia Soshigaya International House



Diverse environment with students from all over the world

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## ■ Program with Quality Assurance

- Staff Recruitment** - Recruited 2 full time faculty and 2 staff members. Prepared for student consulting and advising systems.
- Review Meeting of AIMS Programme** - Program leader attended the meeting in Chiang Rai, Thailand; collected information, networked, and introduced SAIMS program.
- Conducted Program Development Conference** - Faculty members (SAIMS committee members) and AIMS staff from Sophia visited all partner institutions (6 institutions in 3 countries), sharing information and updates on the progress of the programs.
- FD Program** - Dispatched a science professor in charge of the SAIMS program to the University of Copenhagen to evaluate and network with their Department of Chemistry in the School of Science to enhance the English course program.
- Prepared for Fieldwork Seminar Human Ecology: "Rivers"** - Visited various places in Kushiro in preparation for the seminar. Designed program details such as scheduling, instructors and syllabus.
- Prepared for Pre-departure Guidance and Pre-departure Interview** - Scheduled and prepared materials for student guidance and interviews.

(Visit to Bogor Agricultural University)



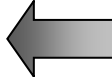
## ■ Contents of the Program

### Participating University in SEA

#### Confirmation of the programs and courses

- ◆ **Indonesia**  
Bogor Agricultural Univ. (Food Science and Technology)  
Gadjah Mada Univ. (Agriculture, Economics)
- ◆ **Thailand**  
Chulalongkorn Univ. (Language & Culture, Economics)  
Mahidol Univ. (International Business)
- ◆ **Philippines**  
Ateneo de Manila Univ. (Language & Culture, Economics, International Business, Engineering)  
De La Salle Univ. (Language & Culture, Economics, International Business, Engineering)

25 - 40  
students



25  
students



### Sophia University (SAIMS Program)

- Trans-disciplinary program**
- ◆ Required Course "Introduction to TDHD"
  - ◆ Opening of six new courses designed for SAIMS  
Environmental Science, Conservation, Sustainable Development, Urban Ecology, Environmental Change and Human Development  
A Critical Approach to Sustainable City
  - ◆ Electives  
【Engineering】 Basic Environmental Science, Applied Environmental Engineering (approx. 23 courses)  
【Language & Culture】 Culture & Society, Global Affairs, Environmental Studies (approx. 55 courses)
  - ◆ Fieldwork Seminar - Human Ecology: Rivers (Elective)
  - ◆ Summer Session in Asian Studies (Optional)

## ■ Student-Mobility

### ① For outbound Students

Accepted applications for Chulalongkorn Univ. (for Fall 2014), and nominated five students. (Applications for other institutions are accepted on an ongoing basis.)

### ② For inbound students

Accepted one student from Mahidol Univ. (Thailand) and two students from Ateneo de Manila Univ. (Philippines) for Spring 2014. (Applications from other institutions are accepted on an ongoing basis.)

Note: FY2013 results, FY2014-2017 planned

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## ■ Promotion of Student-Mobility Environment

I: Indonesia T: Thailand P: Philippines

(Kushiro Shitsugen Wetland - "Rivers" venue)



### 【for all participating students】

- Established the ASEAN Liaison Office
- Designed program that enables students from SEA and Japan to study together (TDHD, Human Ecology: "Rivers")
- Prepared three types of SAIMS leaflets (English & Japanese) for provision of information
- Set up a SAIMS website for provision of information: URL: <http://dept.sophia.ac.jp/pj/saims/>

### 【for SEA students】

- Provided counseling services in English
- Provided active interactions with Sophia students and local communities at the Sophia Soshigaya International House

### 【for Sophia students】

- Held frequent SAIMS study abroad information sessions
- Campus publicity through flyers, school website, and school bulletin board

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### ■ Program with Quality Assurance

- The 7<sup>th</sup> & the 8<sup>th</sup> Review Meetings of AIMS Programme** ⇒ Program leader, full-time faculty (SAIMS committee members) and staff members participated in the review meetings in the Philippines and in Brunei; collected information, networked, and introduced SAIMS program.
- Fieldwork Seminar Human Ecology: "Rivers"** ⇒ Visited sites in Kushiro in preparation for the seminar. Designed program details such as scheduling, instructors and syllabus. A total of 12 students, including two inbound students, joined the seminar held in the summer 2014.
- FD Program** ⇒ Dispatched two professors in charge of the Summer Fieldwork Seminar to the "2014 International Rivers Symposium" in Australia to make a presentation on the achievements of the seminar to environmental education professionals and to evaluate the seminar in order to enhance the program.
- Program Development Conference** ⇒ Faculty and staff members from Sophia visited all seven partner universities including the new partner university in Malaysia, sharing information and updates on the progress of the programs. Invited some program coordinators from two partner universities and held meetings to have continuous discussions on the program details, and introduced the study environment and the curriculum at Sophia.
- International Symposiums** ⇒ Hosted the SAIMS International Symposium titled "Higher Education Harmonization and Networking in East and Southeast Asia: How AIMS Program Can Contribute to an Emerging ASEAN Community" in December at Sophia and conducted a program quality assessment and had further discussions regarding the issues and challenges for student mobility programs between ASEAN and Japan. In March, Sophia and SEAMEO-RIHED co-hosted another SAIMS International Symposium titled "AIMS Symposium: Quality Assurance in AIMS Program" in Bangkok and invited all seven partner universities to discuss about the course selection that would enhance the student mobility program, quality assurance and issues for the future.

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#### Partner Universities in SEA

##### ◆ Indonesia

Bogor Agricultural Univ. (Food Science and Technology)  
Gadjah Mada Univ. (Agriculture, Economics)

##### ◆ Thailand

Chulalongkorn Univ. (Language & Culture, Economics)  
Mahidol Univ. (International Business)

##### ◆ Philippines

Ateneo de Manila Univ. (Language & Culture, Economics)  
De La Salle Univ. (International Business, Engineering, Economics, )

##### ◆ Malaysia (New partner university from 2015)

The National University of Malaysia (International Business, Language & Culture)

【Planned】  
25 - 42  
students

←  
→  
27  
students

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Trans-disciplinary program

##### ◆ Required Course "Introduction to TDHD"

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##### ◆ Electives

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### ■ Student-Mobility

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### ■ Promotion of Student-Mobility Environment

#### 【for all participating students】

- Counselling and individual support by the SAIMS Program Coordinators
- Course advice and guidance by the registrars
- Program which enables students from SEA and Japan to study together
- Program Orientation and All SAIMS students Gathering
- Program Assessment through Follow-up Orientation
- Campus publicity through flyers, official website, and Facebook

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#### 【for SEA students】

- Counseling services in English
- Active interactions with Sophia students and local communities at the Sophia Soshigaya International House - "Sophia Soshigaya Festival"

#### 【for Sophia students】

- Study Abroad Fair, Information Session
- Study Abroad Safety and Security Guidance, Study Abroad Safety Tips and Advice
- The Experience Sharing Meeting for SAIMS Program Returnees



Fieldwork Seminar - Human Ecology: Rivers



Required Course "Introduction to TDHD"



The Experience Sharing Meeting



Follow-up Orientation for incoming students

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### ■ Program with Quality Assurance

- SAIMS Lectures (April~July)** ⇒ In order to promote the interests of the students on ASEAN region, SAIMS team invited Sophia graduates who have actually been working in ASEAN countries for lectures.
- Fieldwork Seminar in "Human Ecology: Rivers"** ⇒ The instructors visited various places in Kushiro in preparation for the seminar and designed program details such as scheduling, guest speakers and syllabus. A total of 12 students joined the seminar held in the summer of 2015.
- ASEAN Week (July)** ⇒ With the help of embassies and inbound exchange students, an event was held to provide cultural and study abroad information in ASEAN countries in order to motivate the students leading to an application.
- The 9<sup>th</sup> Review Meetings of AIMS Programme** ⇒ Program leader, full-time faculty and staff members participated in the review meetings at Tsukuba University; collected information, networked, and introduced the SAIMS program.
- Program Development Conference** ⇒ Faculty and staff members from Sophia visited all seven partner universities, sharing information and updates on the progress of the programs. Some program coordinators from two partner universities were invited and they had the meetings to continuously discuss on the program details, and introduced the study environment and the curriculum at Sophia.
- Study Tour (November)** ⇒ Sophia students who are studying in Thailand participated in a study tour. Through visiting SEAMEO-RIHED, ILO office, United Nations office, hospitals and some private companies, students learned about local labor conditions in Thailand.
- SEAMEO-RIHED Workshop (February)** ⇒ Participating in the three day workshop, Sophia University staff were given the opportunity to deepen understanding of the internationalization of universities and academic exchanges, as well as to strengthen cooperation with partner universities in the ASEAN region in terms of the international exchange of students and faculty.
- Follow-up training and evaluation (April and January)** ⇒ In the follow-up session, students made presentations and sunk in what they gained in their study abroad for attaining their goals. Students also discussed how to improve the program.

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Partner Universities in SEA	25 - 42 students	Sophia University (SAIMS Program)
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### Program with Quality Assurance

- Fieldwork Seminar in "Human Ecology: Rivers" (July, February; Kushiro)** ⇒ The instructors visited various places in Kushiro in preparation for the seminar and designed program details such as scheduling, guest speakers and syllabus. A total of 13 students joined the seminar held in the summer of 2016.
- ASEAN Week (October; Sophia)** ⇒ An event was held to provide cultural and study abroad information in ASEAN countries in order to motivate the students leading to an application.
- SAIMS Lectures (October; Sophia)** ⇒ In order to promote the interests of the students on ASEAN region, SAIMS team invited Sophia graduates who have actually been working in ASEAN countries for lectures.
- The 10<sup>th</sup> Review Meetings of AIMS Program (November; Malaysia)** ⇒ Program leader, full-time faculty and staff members participated in the review meetings in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; collected information, networked, and introduced the SAIMS program.
- Regional exchange event for incoming students (November; Soshigaya)** ⇒ "Sophia University Soshigaya Cultural Festival" held with the residents of Setagaya-ku, where the dormitory for incoming students, Soshigaya International House, is located. A productive exchange program was prepared with the help of the incoming students and a successful exchange event was held with the local residents and pupils of regional primary and secondary high schools.
- Joint conference of partner universities (January; Thailand)** ⇒ At Chulalongkorn University, a partner university, a joint conference of seven partner universities was held. Sharing the achievements obtained and problems yet to be solved in the four years of the Program, discussions were held on the efforts to be made to continue and promote future student exchange program.
- SEAMEO-RIHED Open Forum (February; Thailand)** ⇒ Participating in the Forum, Sophia University staff were given the opportunity to deepen understanding of the internationalization of universities and academic exchanges, as well as to strengthen cooperation with partner universities in the ASEAN region in terms of the international exchange of students and faculty.
- Assessment Committee Meeting for International Collaborative Education (March; Nagoya)** ⇒ Program achievements were reviewed and continued development discussed with experts of quality assurance of higher education and experts of overseas development programs of international agency and private sectors. These objective evaluations of the Program will lead to improvement of the Project.
- Follow-up training and evaluation** ⇒ In the follow-up session, students made presentations and sunk in what they gained in the study abroad for attaining their goals. Students also discussed how to improve the program.

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Fieldwork Seminar - Human Ecology: Rivers



Required Course "Introduction to TDHD"



The Experience-Sharing Meeting



TALK LIVE during ASEAN Week

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## Program with Quality Assurance

- Fieldwork Seminar in "Human Ecology: Rivers": preliminary survey and implementation (June to August; Kushiro)** ⇒ The faculty members visited various places in Kushiro in preparation for the seminar and designed program details such as scheduling, guest speakers and syllabus. A total of 12 students (inbound 2, outbound 1) joined the fieldwork seminar.
- RIVERS Symposium (August, Kushiro)** ⇒ During the fieldwork seminar, a symposium, titled "Restoring Wetlands, Reviving Salmon" was held. An expert from Norway, who has been working on protection of salmon over many years, was invited to talk about protection of salmon in Japan and Norway and to discuss the current status and issues of nature restoration.
- ASEAN Study Abroad Promotion Week (July; Sophia)** ⇒ The event included program information session, individual advising, special ASEAN menu served at cafeteria, and TALK LIVE to raise interest and motivation in ASEAN study abroad.
- SAIMS Lectures (July; Sophia)** ⇒ During the ASEAN Study Abroad Promotion Week, a Sophia alumni who has developed successful career in Asia was invited to talk about his experience of ASEAN study abroad and working in Asian countries. The lecture helped increase the awareness of many students on the importance of our relationship with Asia.
- The First Chulalongkorn University Study Abroad Fair (August; Thailand)** ⇒ Sophia staff and faculty members participated in the Study Abroad Fair at Chulalongkorn University, a partner university of SAIMS program and where the ASEAN Hub Center of Sophia is located. The team provided information at booths, gave a 15-minute presentation introducing Sophia University, provided information on details of this Program and campus life at Sophia.
- New courses of SAIMS (Autumn Semester)** ⇒ New courses "SPATIAL PLANNING AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT", "Introduction to Environment and Development" were offered, which were subjects of great interest for students who participated in SAIMS.
- 11th Review Meeting of AIMS Program (November; Indonesia)** ⇒ Faculty and staff members of this Program participated in AIMS Review Meeting for program updates on student exchange and on issues to be discussed for future cooperation and partnership. From Japan, "Human Ecology: Rivers" was introduced as a unique case example of student exchange between Japan and ASEAN.
- General Symposium "SAIMS International Symposium" (November; Sophia)** ⇒ While inviting the Director of SEAMEO RIHED and representatives of partner universities, we reviewed the program outcomes and discussed continued development. The mutual assessment of the Program provided proposals for Program improvement in coming years.
- Follow-up survey of inbound students (January, February; Thailand, Philippines)** ⇒ Follow-up surveys were conducted in home countries of inbound students to assess the impact of program participation experience on their studies after returning and their career. Discussions were held on developing a system for continued follow-up in the home countries by introducing the inbound students to senior students and graduates with program participation experience.
- Assessment Committee Meeting for International Collaborative Education (February; Sophia)** ⇒ Program achievements were evaluated and proposals made by members of the Assessment Committee for International Collaborative Education, providing an objective view of the progress of the efforts and current status of the Program at Sophia. In particular, the feedback for continued activities after termination of the grant provided suggestions for creating a sustainable management system.

## Contents of the Program [Sophia AIMS Program (SAIMS)]

Partner Universities in SEA	Target Number	Sophia University (SAIMS Program)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ <b>Indonesia</b> Bogor Agricultural Univ. (Food Science and Technology) Gadjah Mada Univ. (Agriculture, Economics)</li> <li>◆ <b>Thailand</b> Chulalongkorn Univ. (Language &amp; Culture, Economics) Mahidol Univ. (International Business)</li> <li>◆ <b>Philippines</b> Ateneo de Manila Univ. (Language &amp; Culture, Economics) De La Salle Univ. (International Business, Engineering, Economics, )</li> <li>◆ <b>Malaysia (New partner university from 2015)</b> The National University of Malaysia (International Business)</li> </ul>	<p>25 - 42 students</p> <p>OUT</p> <p>IN</p> <p>27 students</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Required Course "Introduction to TDHD"</li> <li>◆ Opening of 12 courses designed for SAIMS Environmental Science, Conservation, Sustainable Development, Urban Ecology, Environmental Change and Human Development A Critical Approach to Sustainable City etc.</li> <li>◆ Electives 【Engineering】 Basic Environmental Science, Applied Environmental Engineering, etc. (approx. 59 courses) 【Language &amp; Culture】 Culture &amp; Society, Global Affairs, Environmental Studies, etc. (approx. 91 courses)</li> <li>◆ Diverse Elective course categories</li> <li>◆ Summer Session in Asian Studies (Optional)</li> <li>◆ Fieldwork Seminar - Human Ecology: Rivers (Elective)</li> </ul>

## Student-Mobility (Target number of students)

	2013			2014			2015				2016				2017			
	I	T	P	I	T	P	I	T	P	M	I	T	P	M	I	T	P	M
Outbound	0	0	0	2	8	5	5	8	3	1	9	13	13	2	9	10	16	2
Inbound	0	0	0	3	1	4	4	11	10	1	1	8	10	2	0	7	4	8

I: Indonesia T: Thailand P: Philippines M: Malaysia (From 2015)

## Promotion of Student-Mobility Environment

**[ for all participating students ]**

- Counselling and individual support by the SAIMS Program Coordinators
- Course advising and guidance by the registrars
- Program which enables students from SEA and Japan to study together
- Program orientation and all SAIMS students gathering
- Program assessment through follow-up orientation
- Campus publicity through flyers, official website, and Facebook

URL: <http://dept.sophia.ac.jp/pj/saims>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Sophia.AIMS.SAIMS.Program>

**[for ASEAN students ]**

- Counseling services in English by full-time counsellor
- Active interaction with Sophia students and local residents at international dormitory events such as "Sophia Soshigaya International House Culture Fair"

**[for Sophia students ]**

- Information session at Study Abroad Fair
- Study abroad safety and security guidance, study abroad safety tips and advice
- The experience sharing meeting for SAIMS Program returnees



Fieldwork Seminar in Kushiro



Required Course "Introduction to TDHD"



The Experience-Sharing Meeting



Outbound student presentation at symposium