

**HOLY CROSS**  
**Summer Study Abroad, Summer 2010**  
**Southeast Asia Seminar: Contemporary Indonesia**

The Summer Program in Indonesia will be held from May 16 to June 13, 2010.

**DESCRIPTION:** This course offers an anthropology of contemporary Indonesia, taught in two locations: the arts town of Ubud in Bali, and the intellectual center of Yogyakarta, in Central Java. Students will thus experience both Hindu and Muslim Indonesia—as well as Catholic Indonesia, since there is a significant Catholic community in Yogyakarta. Following an overview of Indonesia’s history, the seminar will introduce students to some of the main research questions now occupying the field of cultural anthropology, including: How do Indonesia’s 300-plus ethnic societies relate to the overarching “nation” of Indonesia? How is Indonesian political life and spiritual life constructed today? How are Indonesian art and literary worlds constructed within that multiethnic and nation-state setting? Students will also have an opportunity for non-credit, rudimentary language study of Bahasa Indonesia. Fieldwork will include visits to Hindu, Muslim and Catholic religious sites, museums, rural villages, and thriving arts communities. Students will also experience a short home stay with a local family.

**PRE-DEPARTURE PREPARATION:** Students will view three documentary films about Indonesia’s history and contemporary culture during the latter part of Spring 2010 Semester. Common viewing times will be arranged and the videos will also be on reserve in the library. They will then join Prof. Rodgers for a two-hour seminar-style discussion of the films and our course, in early May, at a date and time to be determined.

**CREDIT:** The program will count as one Holy Cross course credit. It will satisfy the Cross-Cultural Common Area Requirement, and will also count as an elective in the Asian Studies Concentration.

**COSTS:** The cost of the program is expected to range between \$6000 and \$6500. This includes registration and administrative fees, round-trip airfare, tuition, housing, all meals, and course-related excursions. Limited financial aid is available.

**GENERAL APPLICATION DEADLINE:** Application forms are available in the Study Abroad Office, Smith Hall 212. Completed applications, including registration form, academic reference, personal essay, unofficial transcript with fall grades, and proof of health insurance, are due in the Study Abroad Office no later than **Friday, December 4, 2009**. Faculty letters of recommendation are due on Friday, December 11, 2009. Completed Health Clearance Forms are due on Wednesday, January 20, 2010.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Contact Prof. Susan Rodgers (srodgers@holycross.edu) or call Study Abroad at (508) 793-3082.