

2014 SUMITRO FELLOWS PROGRAM APPLICATION GUIDELINES

USINDO is pleased to announce a call for applications for the 2014 Sumitro Fellows Program.

The Sumitro Fellows Program is a \$10,000 travel/study grant for post-doctoral scholars, PhD candidates, senior academics, and otherwise professionally qualified candidates to engage in field research.

- One Fellowship is awarded to a United States citizen/permanent resident for an outstanding research project relating to improving understanding of the political economy of Indonesia.
- A second Fellowship is awarded to an Indonesian citizen for an outstanding research project contributing to understanding or advancing the Indonesian-United States relationship.

The Sumitro Fellows program honors **Dr. Sumitro Djojohadikusumo**, the architect of Indonesia's modern economy and co-founder of USINDO, who passed away in 2001. Professor Sumitro headed the faculty of economics at the University of Indonesia, and was later Minister of Trade and Minister of State for Research.

Professor Sumitro was also the driving force behind a 1950's program of the Ford Foundation which sent Indonesian economists to the U.S. for advanced degrees. Many attended the University of California at Berkeley and the group came to be known as the "Berkeley Mafia" when its members assumed key cabinet posts in subsequent decades and contributed powerfully to Indonesia's development in the New Order period.

Deadline: Applications must be received by February 28, 2014.

Eligibility Requirements:

American Applicants for the Sumitro Fellowship must be United States citizens or permanent residents in the United States with a specific project on Indonesia's political economy. Applications outside the scope of economics or political economy will not be considered.

Indonesian Applicants for the Sumitro Fellowship must be Indonesian citizens with a specific project on any aspect of the Indonesian-U.S. bilateral relationship. Applications related to solely American topics, Indonesian topics, or to non-U.S./non-Asian themes **will not** be considered.

Language Proficiency:

Please note that though not compulsory, prior study of Bahasa Indonesia is helpful in conducting field research. American applicants should indicate on the application form if and at what level the language has been studied, both formally and informally. Indonesian applicants must be capable of advanced study in English. Evidence of English fluency may be demonstrated by TOEFL scores. Indonesians who have graduated from a U.S. institution of higher learning, or from such institution in an English-speaking country, are exempt from this requirement.

Applicants/scholars who intend to publish their work in some form will be improving their applications. Previous travel to, and experience in, Indonesia or the United States is desirable but not required.



Notification:

USINDO will notify selected 2014 Sumitro Fellow(s) by **March 31, 2014**. USINDO will not award any Sumitro Fellowships in a given year if there are no qualified applicants, in the sole opinion of USINDO.

Application Materials:

All of the following must be completed and received on or before **February 28, 2014** in order to be considered for the 2014 Sumitro Fellows Program:

- **Application Form:** Please submit a completed and signed application form*.
- **Field Research Abstract:** Please provide a one to five page single-spaced abstract of your intended research.
- **Curriculum Vitae or Resume**: Please submit a curriculum vitae (not to exceed 10 pages) or resume providing full citations of all publications, with the most recently published item listed first.
- Recommendation Letters: Two (2) recommendation letters are required. One recommendation letter must be
 from a dissertation advisor, senior faculty member, or other comparable advisor. Please advise your referees
 to send the recommendation letter directly to Sumitro@usindo.org on or before February 15, 2014. Applicants
 have the responsibility of requesting and reminding their referees to directly send their recommendation
 letters by the required deadline.
- Waiver of Responsibility: Please submit a signed waiver of responsibility*.
- **Supplemental Information:** In addition to the above information, the review committee will consider supplemental information such as writing samples, course syllabi, etc. Faculty members and lecturers are welcome to submit course syllabi that do not exceed five pages.

Application Submission:

The deadline for the 2014 Sumitro Fellowship is **February 28, 2014**. Please submit all application materials via email to <u>sumitro@usindo.org</u>. Incomplete applications and/or applications and recommendation letters received after the deadline will not be considered.

Contact Information:

Questions regarding the application or candidate eligibility, please send an email to sumitro@usindo.org or call 202.232.1400.

^{*}Available at http://www.usindo.org/usindo-grants/sumitro-fellows.