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Dean's Opening Remarks

The Faculty of Law, Universitas Sumatera Utara, continues to support the Sustainable Development Goals through the implementation of education, research, and community service.

Various programs carried out reflect Faculty of Law Universitas Sumatera Utara contributions to more sustainable, inclusive, and equitable development. We also promote collaboration with various stakeholders to strengthen the achievement of the SDGs.

We hope that these efforts will provide benefits to the wider community.

**Dean, Faculty of Law
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Geoscience Education in Toba Caldera and Kenyir Geoparks

Geoscience education within the Toba Caldera and Kenyir Geoparks helps students build environmental awareness, care for conservation, and a stronger sense of local identity from an early age. Addressing the critical challenge of low institutional engagement—where local schools often feel disconnected from the geopark ecosystem—this literature-based qualitative study outlines a structured framework for geo-education.



The proposed model encompasses geosite potential identification, curriculum integration, instructional material development, teacher training, and experiential field learning. Ultimately, the program depends on strong cooperation among geopark managers, local governments, schools, communities, and universities among geopark management, local governments, schools, communities, and higher education institutions, supported by adequate educational infrastructure.

Strengthening Social Resilience of Indonesian Female Migrant Workers

This international community service initiative aims to strengthen social resilience among Indonesian Female Migrant Workers in Hong Kong by improving their understanding of legal rights, social protection, and financial planning. Although overseas migration brings economic benefits, female migrant workers remain highly vulnerable to exploitation because many workers do not fully understand their legal rights and available protection mechanisms.

Furthermore, inadequate post-migration financial planning often leads to long-term economic instability.

This program provides education on legal protection, financial independence, and workers' well-being for female migrants



Best Presentation Award at the 2024 Australasian Consumer Law Roundtable

In December 2024, Detania Sukarja participated in the Australasian Consumer Law Roundtable held at Deakin University, Melbourne. At the forum, she presented her research in the field of consumer protection in the financial services sector and received the Best Presentation Award in the Early Years Academic category



Visiting and Guest Lecturer Program in Malaysia

This program provides an opportunity for faculty members to share their knowledge, experience, and research findings with students and academics at partner universities, while also strengthening institutional ties between higher education institutions. In 2025, this opportunity was facilitated by Dr. Rosmalinda, SH., LL.M, a faculty member at the Faculty of Law, Universitas Sumatera Utara.

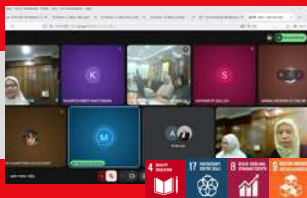
Specifically, the Personal Competency Development activities consisted of guest lectures and Focus Group Discussion.



Faculty of Hotel and Tourism Management, Universiti Teknologi MARA in Penang



Focus Gorup Discussion (Hybrid) at Islamic Department . Ahmad Ibrahim Kulliyah of Laws, International Islamic University Malaysia



Empowering Female Returnee Migrant Workers



Based on gender equality principles (SDG 5), this community development program aims to improve the welfare of female returnee migrant workers in Hongkong, through holistic social, legal, and economic empowerment. To address barriers such as discrimination, limited skills, limited job access, and reintegration challenges such as social discrimination, skill deficits, limited employment access, and cultural reintegration challenges, the project provides structured legal advocacy, capacity-building workshops, and community-based support groups.



The program is expected to improve the socio-economic resilience and long-term well-being of returnee women and their families.



EmpowHER: Building Resilience among Indonesian Female Migrant Workers



This community outreach program aims to strengthen the psychological, gender, and social resilience of Indonesian Female Migrant Workers in Hong Kong. By providing specialized training in mental health management, labor rights literacy, and gender equality awareness, the program helps migrant women manage stress and better understand how to protect their legal rights. Cultivating strong social networks and mutual solidarity, this initiative supports greater independence, self-protection, and well-being for Indonesian female migrant workers





Strengthening BUM Desa Governance in Karo Regency



Optimizing the role of Village-Owned Enterprises (BUM Desa) as important drivers of village development under Law No. 6 of 2014 requires stronger legal understanding and better administrative capacity. Addressing prevalent gaps in legal comprehension and financial management—which frequently expose enterprises to financial deficits and legal liabilities—this intervention focuses on economic accountability and statutory compliance.



The program aims to promote more professional governance based on Good Corporate Governance principles, and support sustainable economic development in rural communities across rural communities in the Karo Regency.



Homestay Tourism Policy in Indonesia, Malaysia, and Thailand

This comparative legal study investigates the legal and economic impacts of homestay tourism across Indonesia, Malaysia, and Thailand, focusing on the the relationship between tourism growth and regulation. Employing a qualitative research methodology, the study demonstrates that Thailand's Community-Based Tourism model can create stronger social and economic benefits through community participation, institutional support, and clear regulations.



The findings indicate that sustainable tourism depends not merely on legislation, but on multi-stakeholder governance, providing a vital blueprint for Indonesia in designing inclusive, sustainable homestay policies aligned with the SDGs.



Legal Framework for Community-Based Halal Tourism in Lake Toba



This research aims to develop a new legal framework to govern community-based tourism within the Lake Toba national strategic area by integrating halal tourism concepts.



The study evaluates community perceptions, business readiness, and local government compliance regarding halal hospitality regulations. Employing a normative-empirical approach and drawing comparative insights from Malaysia, data triangulation was achieved through extensive literature analysis, field observations, structured interviews, and Focus Group Discussion



The research produces recommendations for regulation that fosters inclusive, community-based, and halal tourism that is inclusive, community-based, and environmentally sustainable, complemented by international journal publications and academic textbooks.



International Community Service with PCIA Hong Kong

The International Community Service Team, by Dr. Agusmidah, S.H., M.Hum., Lecturer and Vice Dean I of the Faculty of Law at Universitas Sumatera Utara, together with representatives from Universitas Muhammadiyah Surakarta, Universitas Ahmad Dahlan, Universitas Muhammadiyah Mataram, Universitas Muhammadiyah Semarang, and Universitas Sumatera Utara, carried out an international community service program (ABDIMAS) in Hong Kong.

The community service program, titled “Building Awareness of the Importance of Social Security for Indonesian Migrant Workers in Hong Kong,” was carried out in collaboration with the Pimpinan Cabang Istimewa Aisyiyah Hong Kong (PCIA Hong Kong).





Flood and Disaster Relief through Faculty- Alumni Solidarity

As part of its social responsibility efforts, the Faculty of Law in tandem with the Universitas Sumatera Utara Alumni

Association responded to the emergency, distributing 3 tons of rice to communities affected by floods and landslides across North Sumatra and Aceh. Channelled through the Posko Peduli Universitas Sumatera Utara (Care Command Post), this humanitarian initiative shows the important role of the alumni network in supporting disaster relief while consolidating institutional-alumni synergies in mitigating regional humanitarian crises



Renovation of the Faculty of Law Universitas Sumatera Utara Mushalla



Comprehensive renovation of the Faculty of Law Universitas Sumatera Utara campus prayer room (mushalla) was carried out to provide a more comfortable and dignified prayer facility for the academic community, fully funded by the generous backing of the alumni network. Beyond physical infrastructure upgrading, this project reflects strong cooperation between the faculty and its alumni in instilling moral and spiritual values within the academic ecosystem. Officially inaugurated as the Aladinsyah Mushalla on May 4, 2026, by the Rector of Universitas Sumatera Utara, the revitalized facility is expected to support worship, character development, and community activities.



Raising Social Security Awareness for Indonesian Migrant Workers in Hong Kong

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Through an international community service initiative in Hong Kong, the Faculty of Law Universitas Sumatera Utara strengthened awareness among Indonesian Migrant Workers regarding the importance of social security protection, particularly employment-based social insurance schemes.



The program highlighted the role of long-term financial security in improving migrant workers' welfare while supporting broader Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The initiative also strengthened collaboration with migrant worker communities and generated academic and outreach publications to expand its impact.

Carbon Trading Literacy in Gampong Sungai Lueng, Langsa



The Faculty of Law Universitas Sumatera Utara supports climate action by introducing coastal communities to carbon trading opportunities. Through the Compost Fertilizer Pro initiative, residents of Sungai Lueng Village were introduced to carbon trading as a sustainable economic opportunity while strengthening mangrove conservation efforts.



The program helped improve environmental awareness and community readiness to develop a low-carbon village model aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).





Summer Course on Carbon Trading for Mangrove Tourism Villages

The Faculty of Law Universitas Sumatera Utara brought together participants from different academic backgrounds to its international Summer Course on Carbon Trading for Mangrove Tourism Villages. The program discussed legal, economic, and environmental approaches to sustainable tourism development while introduced international perspectives on climate governance and carbon markets



Legal Assistance for Carbon Trading in Mangrove Tourism Villages, Deli Serdang

This program provides legal assistance to help communities understand carbon trading, mangrove protection, and sustainable tourism of the importance of mangrove forests in carbon sequestration and environmental protection. Through educational initiatives, the program helps communities understand the potential of mangroves as a sustainable source of income, thereby creating employment opportunities and improving overall welfare. Furthermore, this program aims to protect mangrove ecosystems, preserve biodiversity, and mitigate the impacts of climate change. By building cooperation among government, communities, and the private sector, it is hoped that mangrove tourism villages can develop sustainably and provide long-term benefits for both society and the environment.

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Climate Village and Waste Bank Program with a GEDSI Approach



The Universitas Sumatera Utara-Foster Village Program in Bandar Khalipah Village responds to waste management problems through the establishment of a "Climate Village–Waste Bank" framework, integrated with the Gender Equality, Disability, and Social Inclusion (GEDSI) approach. To counter low public awareness regarding sustainable waste disposal, the initiative produced a draft Village Regulation on waste banking, established women-led enterprise management groups, designed educational media, and generated international academic publications.



The program incorporates continuous monitoring and evaluation mechanisms to support long-term and inclusive waste management.



Focus Group Discussion on Retail Competition Policy in North Sumatra and Aceh



This Focus Group Discussion discussed competition issues within the retail sectors of North Sumatra and Aceh, where the rapid expansion of modern retail conglomerates creates serious challenges for Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs).

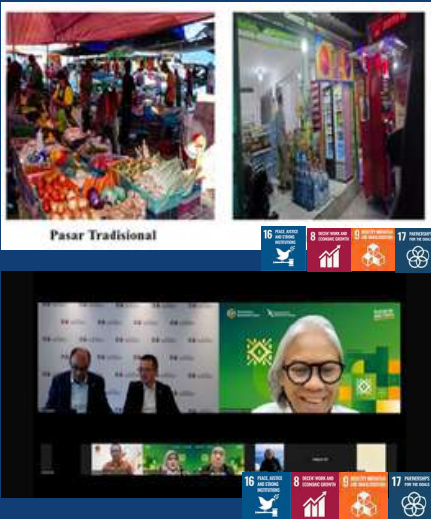
The study emphasizes the urgency of balanced regulatory frameworks enacted through institutional synergy between local governments, market actors, and the Indonesian Competition Commission (KPPU). Highlighting regional policy variations ranging from protective to integrative models, the findings conclude that establishing equitable, transparent, and collaborative policies is important to ensure that modern retail drives macroeconomic growth while concurrently safeguarding MSME resilience.



Anti-Competitive Practices in Franchise Models: Indonesia and Hong Kong



This research examines anti-competitive behavior within retail franchise models through a comparative analysis of Indonesia and Hong Kong. While the expansion of modern convenience store networks has improved supply chain efficiency, it has created pressure on traditional retailers and MSMEs. Highlighting critical market failures—including market monopolization by corporate giants, asymmetric bargaining power against suppliers, and prohibitive barriers to entry for small enterprises—this study shows the need for stronger competition law oversight and better market literacy to preserve a fair and competitive retail ecosystem.



Competition Law and the Digital Economy: Australia– Indonesia Perspectives



This international collaborative focus group discussion was organized to improve the legal literacy of business actors and municipal officials in Medan regarding competition law adaptation within the rapidly evolving digital economy. Featuring panels from academia,



the Indonesian Competition Commission (KPPU), and international experts, the forum identified key competition law challenges between legacy industries and emerging digital platforms.



The outcomes emphasize the critical role of state actors in drafting regulations that can respond to changes in the digital economy to guarantee legal certainty. The initiative successfully heightened participant regulatory literacy and resulted in several academic papers and media publications



Human Rights Protection for Indonesian Migrant Workers Abroad



This international community advocacy program examines the legal and institutional protection of Indonesian migrant workers in Penang Malaysia, through a human rights-based framework. Despite constitutional and statutory protections under Law No. 18 of 2017, migrant workers remain disproportionately exposed to severe human rights violations, including labor exploitation, physical abuse, and human trafficking.



The program argues that effective protection demands a better coordination among central government, local government, and civil society bridging central governments, regional authorities, and civil society, alongside strict compliance with international labor standards.



The project underscores the urgent need for institutional policy reform and stronger and more effective law enforcement to preserve the dignity, rights, and safety of migrant workers.



Legal Counseling and Social Service by the Faculty of Law, Universitas Sumatera Utara

The Legal Counseling and Social Service activities organized by the Faculty of Law, Universitas Sumatera Utara, reflect the implementation of the Tri Dharma of Higher Education of Higher Education, particularly in the area of community service. This activity aims to enhance public awareness and understanding of the law, while also encouraging social responsibility and care for the community.

Through legal counseling, lecturers and students Faculty of Law Universitas Sumatera Utara provide education to the community on various legal issues relevant to daily life, such as citizens' rights and obligations, legal protection for vulnerable groups, family law, as well as mechanisms for peaceful dispute resolution in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. The approach used is participatory and communicative, enabling the community to better understand the materials presented.



Legal Awareness for Indonesian Migrant Workers in Brunei Darussalam

Executed in Brunei Darussalam, this international community outreach program focuses on advancing legal literacy among Indonesian Migrant Workers, with a primary emphasis on distressed migrants currently housed in the Indonesian Embassy (KBRI) shelters.



Through a cross-border academic partnership between Indonesian and Bruneian scholars, the initiative highlights the importance of protecting migrant workers within host nations and promoting safe, procedural migration pathways under national legal frameworks and global standards. Addressing how domestic educational barriers and limited employment drive migration, the program advocates for stronger regulation and enforcement rooted in international conventions and global pacts.



International Seminar on Migrant Worker Protection During Placement



Hosted in partnership with the Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia and stakeholders from Indonesia and Brunei Darussalam, this international seminar brought together migrant workers, academics, policymakers, and practitioners to discuss strategies for strengthening migrant worker protection during overseas employment. The forum produced policy recommendations on human resource development, bilateral cooperation, improved migration governance, expanded domestic employment opportunities, and stronger law enforcement against illegal migration and human trafficking. The seminar shows the Faculty's contribution to human rights, labour protection, and migration governance.



Public Consultation on the Draft Law on Business Entities

The Directorate General of Legal Administrative Affairs (Ditjen AHU) of the Ministry of Law of the Republic of Indonesia, in collaboration with the Faculty of Law Universitas Sumatera Utara, organized a public consultation forum aimed at improving the substance of the Bill on Business Entities (RUU Badan Usaha).



This initiative seeks to foster a more participatory law-making process that responds to economic and digital developments.



The the discussion focused on aligning the draft regulations with fair market competition principles and ensuring statutory clarity to eliminate multi-interpretation during future implementation.





International Community Service with Jindal Global University



In collaboration with Jindal Global University, India, the Faculty of Law Universitas Sumatera Utara carried out an international community service program on carbon trading and sustainable coastal tourism. Bringing together academics, international students, local authorities, and community members, the initiative combined discussion sessions with mangrove restoration activities through mangrove restoration.



The program demonstrates how international collaboration can bring environmental and economic benefits for coastal communities.

Academic–Labour Dialogue with Workers’ Union of the State Electricity Company, North Sumatra Distribution Main Unit

The Faculty of Law Universitas Sumatera Utara formally received the Workers’ Union of the State Electricity Company, North Sumatra Distribution Main Unit to connect labour issues in the electricity sector with academic legal research. The discussion addressed the Electricity Supply Business Plan (RUPTL) 2025–2034, specifically evaluating market liberalisation trends and policy schemes deemed disadvantageous to state assets. FH USU affirmed its academic commitment to the cause by committed to conducting legal reviews, focus group discussions, and the potential filing of an Amicus Curiae brief, showing the faculty’s role in contributing to public policy discussions and energy sector labor laws



Faculty of Law Universitas Sumatera Utara Academics' Contribution to National Legal Institutions



The Faculty of Law, Universitas Sumatera Utara, continues to contribute to in strengthening national legal institutions through the active contributions of its academics. This contribution can be seen in several ways, ranging from participation in professional legal organizations, providing input in the law-making process, to engaging in educational and community service activities.

One tangible example of this contribution is reflected in the trust placed in Faculty of Law Universitas Sumatera Utara academics to hold important positions within national advocate professional organizations. This reflects recognition of their professional competence and contribution to the legal field to the development of the legal field in Indonesia. These roles are expected to further strengthen legal institutions, particularly in strengthening professional ethics and the quality of legal practice.



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