

Australia Awards Short Course
The Challenge of Mis & Disinformation:
Fostering Information Integrity &
Media Literacy in the Digital Age



Australia Awards in Indonesia invites applications for a short course on **The Challenge of Mis and Disinformation: Fostering Information Integrity and Media Literacy in the Digital Age.** The course aims to strengthen the capacity and agency of Indonesian policymakers, journalists, activists, content creators/developers and social media influencers to positively address mis and disinformation.

The course will help participants to:

- understand the broader information ecosystem including the underlying factors that drive the spread of mis and disinformation, and the intersection between human rights and efforts to counter mis and disinformation
- share and explore effective methods to counter disinformation and misinformation, such as (but not limited to) investigative journalism, fact checking and prebunking initiatives, community digital media and information literacy skills development, artificial intelligence tools and private sector partnerships
- harness artificial intelligence (AI) technologies to effectively combat the proliferation of mis and disinformation across digital media platforms
- provide exposure to and discuss international legal and policy approaches, initiatives, programs and good practices aimed at addressing mis and disinformation
- understand the role of different stakeholders, including the government, professional organisations, digital platforms, and online communities in addressing mis and disinformation
- develop a practical project (Award Project) to help address mis and disinformation (a project related to their work)
- develop linkages between Indonesians and Australians at the individual and organisational level that helps to facilitate ongoing collaboration in this area

To achieve the learning outcomes mentioned above, the proposed course applies a range of learning methodologies: classroom sessions; case studies; site visits; discussion and planning sessions; simulations and role plays; and networking events. Additionally, the course participants will develop and implement an Award Project.

The course will be delivered over two weeks in Australia on 9 – 23 May 2026 (TBC). A 3-day pre-course workshop will be held in Indonesia on 7 – 9 April 2026 (TBC). A post-course workshop will be held in Indonesia on 29 September – 1 October 2026 (TBC).



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Participants

- Staff or middle managers with a minimum of four years' experience in a relevant role.
 Targeted agencies and professions include:
 - Journalist associations and organisations, i.e. Forum Jurnalis Perempuan, Alliance of Independent Journalists, Indonesian Broadcast Journalist Association, etc.
 - ii) Journalists and editors
 - iii) Fact-checking organisations
 - iv) Press Council
 - v) General Election Commission
 - vi) Digital platforms and online communities
 - vii) Ministry of National Development Planning
 - viii) National Crypto and Security Agency
 - ix) Ministry of Communication and Digital
 - x) Ministry of Foreign Affairs
 - xi) Relevant civil society and faith-based organisations
 - xii) Academics
- Have Diploma (D3) qualification or higher
- Commitment to prepare and implement an Award Project as part of the course
- Applicants should come from organisations that have developed or are involved in digital media literacy programs or addressing mis or disinformation

This is a fully funded short course. Course fees, travel, accommodation and per diems will be provided by Australia Awards in Indonesia.

Women from disadvantaged backgrounds and people with disability are strongly encouraged to apply.

An information session will be held virtually by Australia Awards in Indonesia on 7 November 2025 at 15:00 WIB. This session guides applicants through the application process, including the online application system, selection and interview. Registration for the information session must be submitted by 5 November 2025 at 15:00 WIB through https://australiaawardsindonesia.org/id/RSVPmis&disinformation

Applications must be submitted by 28 November 2025 at 23.59 WIB via this link: https://australiaawardsindonesia.org/id/MisinformationApp