Title:
Opportunities for research, teaching and learning in Indonesia

Abstract:
This seminar gives a glimpse into outcomes and opportunities following our team’s recent experience in Banten Province, Indonesia. Gathering together, supervisors and four former PhD students and a visiting fellow from Malaysia, the team were participants in several activities, including a forum to discuss potential areas of exchange and co-operation. With twelve Indonesian universities represented at the forum all wishing to engage with the University of Wollongong our Indonesian delegates identified many areas that they wished to pursue with UOW:

- Double degree programs with part completed in Indonesia and part Australia (twinning)
- PhD programs and requests for supervision (one mathematics department has 60 staff members who will be sent abroad for PhDs, we already have a request to supervise five students next year)
- Sandwich programs for PhD students to go abroad 6 weeks to 3 months to work under supervision
- Exchange of students and staff in relation to English language
- Exchange more generally, short 2 weeks programs through to longer term exchanges.
- Location for lecturers to go abroad for experience, funded by the Indonesian government
- To create sister education departments with Australian institutions
- Exchange in relation to teacher practice
- Assistance in increasing the quality of education
- Access to community work experience, in hospitals, in education
- Cultural exchange
- Keynote speakers in several disciplines Economics, Science, Biology, Chemistry, Pharmacy (we do not have) Health, Nursing, Midwifery
- Collaboration on papers and research
- Editors/Reviewers

This seminar will be interactive, with input gathered to be used as preparation for a visiting Indonesian delegation to the University later this year. Mathematicians and statisticians may have specific issues to be addressed in such exchanges and we would after discussing possibilities be seeking input into the nature of information required, or the areas which you might wish to pursue.