Dear Study Abroad Participants,

The date of our trip is about coming. I want to provide a pre-departure list your purposive preparation for count down to departure.

1. PASSPORT. You want to double-check that your passport is good for at least 7 months from this date. Also, I need to have a share of your passport with the identity page for in-country flights and hotel booking. Please share it a.s.a.p if you have not done so.

2. TWO PHOTOs. One passport size and one free style for host family and school.

3. One page INTRODUCTION in writing, Free style, for host family and host school.

4. FLIGHT INFORMATION. You need to inform your detailed inbound and outbound flight information so that I can arrange necessary details for pick-ups and etc.

5. VACCINATION/IMMUNIZATION. Get your travel info. Here is one source: <https://www.passporthealthusa.com/destination-advice/indonesia/>. Or, <https://www.walgreens.com/pharmacy/immunization/immunization_index.jsp>.

6. UNLOCKED PHONE. If you have a spare unlock, it will come out handy to have a local SIM card. Only GSM and CDMA SIM card will be available. I will also have a local number once I landed in Indonesia. There will tons of choices for prepaid SIM card.

7. INTERNET blackout. When we are in Sumba and Flores, there may be minimal access to internet. Please be prepared and inform your love ones. In Yogyakarta and Denpasar, we will have better phone and internet access. Service quality varies across phone companies.

8. TROPICAL CLOTHING. Tropical clothing: wash and ware, shrink-free, AC-ed air overnight drying types of fabric are recommended. We will be moving around a lot. Also: wet shoes, traveller raincoat or thin water-proof jacket, swimwear, …

9. POWERPACK with light can come out handy. [https://www.amazon.com/20000mAh-Portable-Emergency-Travelling-Cellphone/dp/B07DDH3DJY/ref=sr\_1\_12?ie=UTF8&qid=1529708366&sr=8-12&keywords=power+bank+with+light•Personal medication and supplies](https://www.amazon.com/20000mAh-Portable-Emergency-Travelling-Cellphone/dp/B07DDH3DJY/ref=sr_1_12?ie=UTF8&qid=1529708366&sr=8-12&keywords=power+bank+with+light).

10. GIFTS (optional) for host family, teacher, students. Sharing something small, but lasting can be a good way to start a relationship.

11. PERSONAL SUPPLIES. Please bring enough personal supplies of personal medication or hygiene needs.

12. Bug/mosquito repellent spray/wipes. Bring enough. There may not be local product on these items.

13. FOOD-ALLEGiES. Please share with me or family members if you have food restrictions. Write a card to easily inform others, if necessary. I can help with the Indonesian translation.