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## Editor's Note

Welcome to all MIBTi students to Trimester 2, 2011. Remember your studies here are another important step along the road to your Bachelor Degree. For most of you that will mean continuing on to Deakin University in Melbourne or Geelong. For others, your destination may be another Australian city, or possibly another country. Whatever your next step, the staff of MIBT Jakarta campus are here to help make your journey as smooth as possible, so please feel free to ask any of us for help or advice.

However, this doesn't mean you can just enjoy the ride without working hard. You need to take personal responsibility for your own learning here if you want to progress, i.e. graduate from one of our programs.

So don't delay - get serious about your studies now. You should have worked out a study plan already. Don't wait until week 9 or 10 to get your act together.

Your study plan should include at least 4 to 6 hours study per unit per week outside your contact hours, i.e. class time. And beware of peer group pressure-don't end up on someone else's road heading in the wrong direction.

For more information on what a study plan is and how to make one, please refer to Page 4 of this newsletter. Good luck everyone in your studies!

## Calendar

### MIBT Indonesia Calendar August - October 2011

5 Aug	Last day to withdraw from a unit without penalties
17 Aug	Independence Day (no classes)
20 Aug	Parents Day
29 Aug - 2 Sep	Idul Fitri (Holiday)
21 Sep	Aussie Lunch Day
3 - 7 Oct	Examination week
7 Oct	Last day to return rental books
19 Oct	Results issued
8 - 30 Oct	Trimester Break
31 Oct	Trimester 3 start



## Funnies

### 1. A Humorous Student

A lecturer arrived late for his class to find a most uncomplimentary drawing of himself on the whiteboard.

Fuming, he asked the class joker in the front row, "Who, pray, was responsible for this atrocity?"

The joker won tremendous prestige with his reply, "I really don't know, but I strongly suspect its parents."

### 2. Difference between High School and College

In high school, when the teacher said, "Good morning," you mumbled back. In college, when the lecturer says, "Good morning," you write it down.

## Language Corner

### Australian Slang: Part 2

Although you have been learning through the medium of the English language here at MIBT Indonesia, you will find many differences in language when you go to Australia – especially in the spoken English or 'slang' language used on a daily basis. In fact, in Australia there are many differences in vocabulary and some of the Aussie (pronounced Ozzie) slang you may hear is below:

**Ace:** Excellent or very good

**Aerial Pingpong:** Australian rules football

**Amber fluid:** Beer

**Ambo:** Ambulance, ambulance driver

**Ankle biter:** Small child

**Apples, she'll be:** It 'll be all right

**Arvo:** Afternoon

**Avos:** Avocados

**Barbie:** A barbecue

**Bathers:** A swimming costume

**Bloke:** Man or guy

**Chockers:** Very full/busy



## Recent Events

### MIBTi Student Orientation

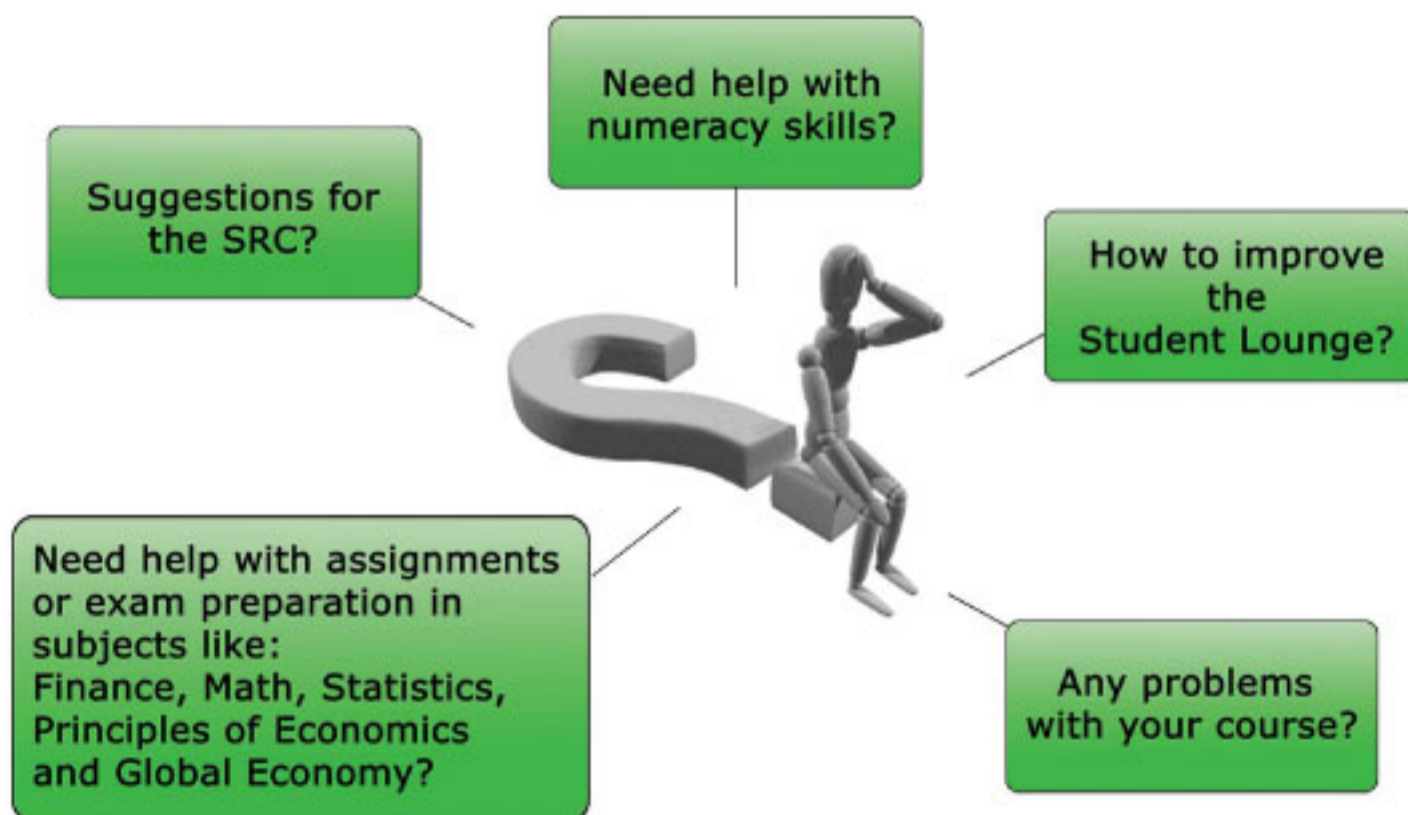
MIBT Indonesia welcomed many new students at Orientation and Enrollment Day on Thursday 7 July to Trimester 2, 2011. See if you can find yourself and your friends in one of the photos below:



## Academic Support

### Need Extra Help?

Come for an individual consultation with the MIBTi Senior Lecturer



Who? **Ms. Goda**

Where? **Student Resource Center (SRC)**

When? **Mon, Tue and Thur: 12.00 to 14.00**  
**Wed: 10.00 to 14.00**

How? **Just drop in to the SRC! No need to make an appointment**

## Future Events

### MIBT Aussie Lunch Day



**MIBT AUSSIE  
LUNCH DAY**

Wed 21 Sep 2011, 12.00-13.15  
Room A & B

*Free Lunch for all students and staff*

**Henna Tattooing**  
"Free" for MIBT Students & Staff  
Get a Henna Design to bring you good luck.  
By Tara Gadre

## Study Corner

### Top Tip: Study Plan

All of MIBT Indonesia's Diploma programs are a pathway to second year at Deakin University, Melbourne.

It is not easy to move successfully from the Indonesian school system through our MIBT pathway (especially the two trimester Fast Track program) to overseas university. It requires not only a lot of hard work but also a personal commitment to achieve success, i.e., pass eight (8) units of study with the highest possible grades.

So what are the keys to success? In a nutshell "Planning" is one of those keys. You must determine how many hours you should study each week for each unit. As a basic guideline you should at least be studying the same number of hours outside the classroom as in it. Therefore, let's say you are studying four units – each comprising one 4-hour class per week – you should be studying at least four hours per unit outside the classroom, or possibly even six to eight hours for a difficult subject.

Moreover, you need to plan your study time so you know exactly where, when and what units you will be studying. Also, organize your study time for when you are more likely to feel energetic and make sure you set yourself realistic but challenging goals in the time available. Don't be afraid to organise your socializing with friends around your study plan (which sometimes will mean saying "No" to them!!!!) as this should take priority if you are serious about your studies.

In short, planning for success means putting together your own personalized 'study plan' right from the beginning of each very trimester. Once you have designed your own 'study plan', it can be adapted accordingly. However, without a study plan the chances of completing your studies successfully will be rapidly diminished.

***If you need any help designing a study plan, please feel free to make an appointment with either Mike Wildblood, Academic Manager or Goda Padma, Senior Lecturer.***