

A Case Study on the Development of Arabic Students in the Arabic Language Education Study Program at IAI DDI Polewali Mandar, West Sulawesi, Indonesia

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Abstract: This research is a case study on the development of Arabic students in the Arabic Language Education study program at IAI DDI Polewali Mandar who are only four years old and already have exemplary achievements and proud praise. This study describes the Arabic language development program for the Arabic Language Education study program for students from 2016 to 2021. This research is a qualitative descriptive study based on a data review. The type of this research is a case study. The data was collected through interviews and documentation and then analyzed interactively using the model recommended by Miles and Huberman. The results of this study found that the Arabic Language Education Study Program within four years achieved good and satisfactory achievements through the strategy of the chairman of the Arabic Language Education Study Program in preparing an activity program for the development of Arabic language for Arabic Language Education Study Program students from 2016 to 2021, namely: a) the implementation of the Arabic Online Learning program (Arabic Online), b) the implementation of the Arabic Language Daurah program in the form of Arabic Villages, c) the implementation of the No Arabic No Service program, d) involving students in the KIBAR and QIRTUB programs, e) facilitating students and lecturers write in the Scientific Journal of the PBA Study Program "Loghat Arabi" which already uses the Online Journal System (OJS) and is indexed by national and international indexers such as Google Scholar, IOS, ROAD, Crossref, Cite Factor, ISSN, etc.

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1 Introduction

Arabic is one of the official international languages used in official world forums. Arabic is an international language that Muslims must learn because it is part of Islam [1]. Arabic is a subject that must be studied in Islamic religious institutions such as madrasas or mahad, even at the university level. The study of Arabic and its teaching in Indonesia is massively studied and researched by researchers and observers of Arabic both in terms of methodology and conceptually. In West Sulawesi, especially in Polewali Mandar Regency, there are two areas where Arabic studies are intensively carried out and developed to this day, namely the Campalagian area and the Pambusuang area[2]. These two areas intensely study and develop Arabic reading skills in Arabic classics[3][4]. The number of students registered until 2020 is 114 students. The following are the numbers and clusters of the Arabic Language Education study program students based on the class year from 2016 to 2020.

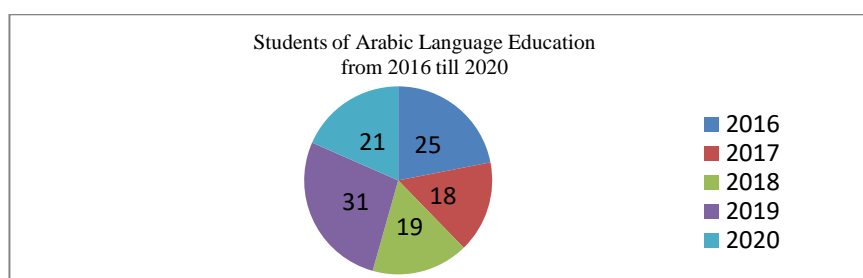


Figure 1. Number of PBA Study Program Students from 2016 - 2020

In the researcher interview with Dr. Basri Mahmud as Chair of the Arabic Language Education Study Program for the period 2016 – 2019, in his interview he explained that “The IAI DDI Polewali Mandar Arabic Education Study Program is the only Arabic Language Education study program located in West Sulawesi which exists and is successful in carrying out various activities[7].

In a joint interview with the Secretary of the Arabic Language Education Study Program, Jamaluddin, in his room, he conveyed an acknowledgment of an assessor when the PBA study program was being visited that 'during the implementation of the online Arabic Language Education Study Program Visitation to be exact on August 19, 2021 (second day), Assessor II BAN-PT Prof. Dr. Ali Mudlofir, M.Ag (Professor of UIN Sunan Ampel Surabaya) in the Assessor Interview session with Lecturers, Alumni & Students, he was very appreciative very well with full direct amazement at the Arabic Language Education study program which is relatively new and young, but the lecturers, alumni, and students can communicate Arabic well and are fluent in interview sessions with him with various activities that have been carried out and the facilities are still fairly limited.”[8].

2 Method

The type of research used in this study based on a review of the data includes qualitative descriptive research with the type of Case Study, where the researcher tries to uncover the phenomena that occur related to the development of the Arabic language of students in the IAI

DDI Arabic Education Study Program Polewali Mandar. The type of research based on a review of the place is field research because the research locus is in the Arabic Language Education Study Program IAI DDI Polman. The data collection of this research was carried out through interviews with the head of the study program and the Secretary of the Arabic Language Education Study Program and thorough documentation related to data related to the themes studied. Then the data collected was analyzed interactively using the interactive model recommended by Miles and Huberman, namely by condensing the data, presenting the data, verifying the data, and drawing conclusions.[9].

3 Results

Based on the data that has been obtained from several informants, the Arabic Language Education Study Program, which is only five years old, has obtained several satisfactory achievements and has received great appreciation from various circles for IAI DDI Polman both at the local and national levels. Among the achievements of the following Arabic Language Education Study Program students: 1) Won the Best Place in the Presentation of Arabic Articles at the Student Arabic Seminar held by the State University of Malang in 2018[10].2) First Place in the Arabic Language Vlog Making Competition for Students held by the PBA IAI DDI Polman Study Program in the context of International Language Day on December 20, 2020[11].3) The Arabic Language Education study program is accredited by BAN-PT Criterion 9 with the title "GOOD"[12]. 4) Some of the results of the Thesis Research of the first alumni students after the Munaqasyah trial was immediately published in an OJS Scientific Journal indexed by Google Scholar and other indexers nationally. As the results of Haeruddin's Thesis Research [13],Muh. Saifullah[14], Hasrati [15], and Hasria[16]. Dan 5) IAI DDI Arabic Education Study Program students Polewali Mandar became the sole Mutarjim of Arabic – Indonesian in the Safari Ramadhan Sheikh from Palestine in South Sulawesi[17].

Based on the data from the table above, it shows that the input of the Arabic Language Education Study Program is dominant from pesantren alumni (classical and modern) out of a total number of 114 students; 62% came from boarding schools, and 38% came from madrasa schools. Below is the program of activities carried out by the head of the Arabic Language Education Study Program in developing Arabic for students of the Arabic Language Education Study Program at IAI DDI Polman Arabic Language Education, as follows:

a. Implementation of the Arabic Online Learning program (Arabic Online)

In the researcher's interview with the Chair of the Arabic Language Education Study Program period I who currently serves as Vice Chancellor for Education and Curriculum, Dr. Basri Mahmud, Lc., M.Th.I., He explained that as a new study program and the only study program for Arabic Language Education in West Sulawesi, the first thing to do to develop relations between study programs and socialization was to conduct MoUs and MoA with universities. Other universities on a national scale, such as with the State University of Malang (UM) Malang East Java in 2018, the Arabic Language College (STIBA) Makassar in 2018, the Muhammadiyah Sinjai Islamic Institute in 2018, and others; and also on an international scale such as conducting an MoA with Saudi Electronic University in the field of Education in 2018, so that the Arabic Language Education Study Program has the right to full access to the

use of online learning programs and improving students' Arabic skills from a particular Saudi Electronic University program called 'Arabic Online'[21].

In his explanation, he added that the activity program is the flagship program of the Arabic Language Education Study Program, which must be followed by third-semester students and above to hone students' Arabic skills, which is scheduled every Wednesday at 09.00-12.00 WITA in the Mini Lab of Arabic Education Study Program IAI DDI Polewali. Mandar[22].

b. Implementation of the Arabic language program in the form of an Arabic Village

To implement and practice student language theory acquired in-class lectures, the study program facilitates students with an annual program called *Daurah al-Lughah al-Arabiyyah* which is packaged in 'Arabic Village' to hone and practice Arabic students.

The Arabic language village program is one of the containers and ways to create an Arabic -speaking environment for students (*biah lughawiyah ishtinaiyyah*) who are boiled and quarantined for 1 week overnight on campus so that students can speak Arabic well. These activities have been held twice, in 2019 and 2021 [23]. Pada tahun 2020 tidak sempat terlaksana disebabkan karena situasi Covid 19 dimana sistem pembelajaran bersifat daring sehingga tidak memungkinkan untuk dilaksanakan.

c. Implementation of La Khidmah program when Tahadduts al-Arabiyyah (No Arabic No Service)

In search of research data, the chairman of the Arabic Language Education program period II Dr. Hamzah, S.S., M.Pd.I. He explained that the program was the first program of the Prodi during his tenure that aimed to inspire students orally to speak Arabic in their daily lives and their friends and the Chair of their Prodi. The program is called La Khidmah program when Tahadduts al-Arabiyyah (No Arabic No Service) as a form of motivation and formation of a language environment (*takwin bi'ah lughawiyah*) students of Arabic Language Education programs in the academic world. The program is conducted for two days (Monday - Tuesday) every week whose activities are in Arabic full-day, either inside the lecture or outside the lecture or when there are academic affairs in the study room of Arabic Language Education[24].

d. Involving students in the Arabic Language Course Program (KIBAR) & Qira'atul Kutub Program (QIRTUB)

Based on the explanation of Dr. Basri Mahmud that the two programs above KIBAR & QIRTUB are additional programs of the Arabic Language Education Program to accommodate students of the Arabic Language Education Program in developing and improving the Arabic language competence of students, and to this day continues, the KIBAR program is intended for the development of students' Arabic language competence (*maharah al-kalam*), and the KIRTUB program is intended for the development of reading competence in Arabic writing (*maharah al-qira'ah*)[25]. The two programs above are under Mahad al-Jamiah in the field of Foreign Language Development at IAI DDI Polman.

e. Facilitate students and lecturers to write in the Scientific Journal of Prodi PBA Arabic Accent

The presence of the Arabic Language Education Program as a new program at IAI DDI Polman gives a new color to IAI DDI Polman. The priority program of the Arabic Language Education program, in addition to exploring cooperation (MoU) between the program and the

development of Arabic language competence of students, the program also tries to make a Scientific Journal of the program that has been OJS in 2020 that can be accessed online and has been indexed by a national index. And internationally, the journal's name is 'Arabic Dialect: A Journal of Arabic Language & Arabic Language Education'[26]. Procurement of scientific journals as a form of actual work of the Arabic Language Education Program to facilitate the publication of research results of students and lecturers of the Arabic Language Education Program linear for the formation and development of writing and research culture in the Arabic Language Education Program[27]

4 Conclusion

The Arabic Language Education study program as a new study program at IAI DDI Polewali Mandar gave a new color to the name of campuses outside West Sulawesi in general and improved the quality of the Arabic Language Education study program, especially internally. Within 4-5 years (2016-2021), the Arabic Language Education study program achieved good and satisfactory achievements through the strategy of the chairman of the Arabic Language Education Study Program in preparing an activity program for the development of Arabic language students in the Arabic Language Education Study Program at IAI DDI Arabic Education Study Program. Polewali Mandar to get exemplary achievements on a local and national scale. The implementation of the program is a) the implementation of the Arabic language learning program online (Arabic Online), b) the implementation of the Arabic Language Daurah program in the form of the Arabic Village, c) the implementation of the La Khidmah program if Tahadduts al-Arabiyyah (No Arabic No Service), d) enrolling students in the KIBAR and QIRTUB programs, e) facilitating students and lecturers to write in the Scientific Journal of the PBA Study Program 'Loghat Arabi' which has OJS and is indexed by national and international indexers.

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