**Successful Stories of My Life**

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Each person has their own perspective about success. Some people said that success is when you have a corporation with net income 10 million each month. Another also said that success is when you can finish your bachelor degree and get a good job and salary, but for me success is when I can accomplish something that I have started and also when I can provide benefit to others for what I have done.

After completing my high school study, I decided to continue my study in Electrical Engineering. I choose it because I want to contribute in developing technology in my country, Indonesia. Therefore, I struggle to accomplish my study within four years as normal period of study in bachelor degree, but suddenly my partner was hardly to contact during the time to carry out our last assignment. Once I got chance to communicate with him, so we discussed about the problem and agree to change the partner because he has another thing to do. Luckily, there is one of my friends looking for a partner, so I join with him and finally we finish it within one month. Even I could not graduate within four year as my plan, but I was really grateful that I can finish my bachelor degree with high GPA and during my time in university I have got recognition as the best student of Electrical Engineering in 2009 and the highest GPA of Control Engineering Sub Program in 2009 and 2010 from Electrical Engineering Award of Electrical Engineering Student Association.

During my time in University, I join AIESEC. It is a global organization with a goal to create peace in the world by providing exchange program to share knowledge and culture to make understanding each other and to spread positive impact to society. Besides, AIESEC also provide their members with international experience to explore their leadership potential and improve their management skills by doing social project in their country. Looking at this big potential for improving young people capability to be the next generation of potential leader with international experiences makes me committed to establish AIESEC in Makassar. Hence, we tried to meet every requirement to establish it. Our hope is one day AIESEC will become the youth perform that actively makes positive activity that is useful for society in east Indonesia.

At the beginning of my involvement in establishing AIESEC in 2009, I was responsible for doing info session about AIESEC global community development program as volunteer in other country and Indonesia. In fact, our attendance is just less than 10 people, and only 1 person who want to go abroad. Over time, with the hard work and struggle for preparing a big event within three months, I and 15 other AIESEC members in Makassar finally can conduct our first major Exchange Fair in cooperation with the government of Makassar which was held successfully with engaging more than 200 participants. Thanks to this event, AIESEC became better known among students in Makassar and formally known as AIESEC in Unhas. Within seven years we finally got the recognition from AIESEC Indonesia as the best expansion and formally became part of AIESEC Global. Currently, AIESEC Unhas remained actively in social activities in the community. Until now, it has reached more than 200 members, 10 social projects in some areas such as Makassar, Sidrap, Toraja, up to Maluku, 100 Alumni, and 50 exchange participants to go abroad. My hope to bring AIESEC to become the youth platform in this case the university students to contribute to the surrounding community was successfully established. I am so grateful that what I and my friends started and fought at that time can be beneficial to society today.

The other success was when I got my TOEFL score 573. I really put much effort improving my English language skill, and after 2 years studying TOEFL and the forth times taking TOEFL test finally I got it. By this score, it means that there are many opportunities for me gaining the knowledge from other countries to help me achieve my dreams to be useful for others especially for Indonesia in the future.