## final choice and golden luck

February 2020, I arrived at Taoyuan International Airport with the main destination being NCHU. This is my 2nd experience arriving overseas. The story begins, I registered in February 2019 after failed to get a scholarship at a university in Malaysia, then tried NCHU on the advice of my lecturer who had studied in Taiwan, to be honest I was not sure of her choice and then tried it. Early June 2019, I received an acceptance email from OIA NCHU, there I felt disbelief and happy, then confused because in May 2019 I was also accepted to work at a university in Indonesia. Decided to postpone 1 semester at NCHU due to sudden preparations when leaving September 2019 and having to work for departure capital. Arrive on February 2020, I feel happy to leave and worry because Covid is gaining popularity. Arriving at NCHU, I immediately went to the room of my supervisor named Prof. Miin Huey Lee, thanks to my advisor, I was able to enter NCHU, always telling me to work harder and be good lecturer in Indonesia.



Until now, I have not felt disappointed with the choice of my lecturer to study at NCHU, because it was fun and full of challenges to get new experiences and friends. Unexpectedly and I just found out that agriculture at NCHU is the 2nd best in Taiwan and NCHU is in the top 10 of the best universities in Taiwan, I just found out after chatting with my friends, because this is not the main goal of school at NCHU and I am not disappointed with the success for this University. That's my **reason** behind of the word "why". New learning and experiences are like in a class that is beyond the mind, such as making tea in the advanced research methods in crop science course, several other subjects such as plant disease clinics which have the task of analyzing plant diseases which are very valuable knowledge, and several other courses that teach time management and a good presentation to explain the contents of the journal. Here it is required to read a lot of journals, this is an important thing and a new habit that must be followed and a challenge to understand each journal content that is read.

Here during the holidays you cannot return to Indonesia because Covid is still worried about its condition. OIA will hold picnics (free) to several places during the summer holidays and continue with several interested events every weekend. This is the support from NCHU to treat homesickness with family. This picnic I am very happy to be able to make many friends from several countries and get to know the culture, technology of the picnic destination. For example, a visit to the National Taiwan Craft Research and

Development Institute is a museum and many new things were conveyed, such as making handicrafts used for decoration. Guang Hung Shin Corparation described the papermaking process which was a novelty in my life. While joining the picnic held by OIA, I have a dream that I can adapt and develop the positive things in Indonesia, because there is a lot of potential that can be explored as long as all humans can be invited to work together in goodness.







Tradition, learning system, time discipline, the taste of the food here made this experience very valuable for my life in the future. Meeting with supervisors and laboratory friends who help research here, as long as here is a lesson for every day, because there are many new things and challenges to learn. I feel very

fortunate to be included in the agriculture faculty at NCHU which is ranked 2nd in Taiwan, here I know technology in the laboratory and some fruits that are foreign to me because they are different in Indonesia. Little by little I tried to learn Mandarin which is the first largest language with the most speakers. I only got this at NCHU because of the initial failures and luck that made me still amazed.

Thank you very much for being given the opportunity to join NCHU and hope to graduate as expected. Thanks for my best lecturer, Prof. Miin Huey Lee, who has been patient in teaching her knowledge and experience, feels that there is still much that is lacking and needs to learn from her. All teachers who have given knowledge and patience to teach in class and in this life. Thank you to the laboratory friends who have demanded to adapt to research which is mostly new, the classmates who provide support when it is difficult to understand the material, the closest friend and friend, Abby, who always helps me in difficulties and teaches Chinese to me. Hope it will all end beautifully and enjoy all the processes at this time. Adding new family in Taiwan and I cannot forget for family in Indonesia, especially my lovely parents and dear husband. Without you, I wouldn't be like this.

