

# **UPSKILLING TRAINING FOR VOCATIONAL TEACHER IN COLLABORATION WITH THE EMBASSY OF REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA BEIJING AND NANJING UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

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## **ABSTRACT**

Improving the competence of vocational teachers is a strategic issue that must be improved on an ongoing basis. To answer the needs and challenges of teacher competence, a service program was carried out that involved Lembaga Pendidikan Tenaga Kependidikan (LPTK). Universitas Negeri Yogyakarta (UNY) carried out this program and collaborated with the Indonesian Embassy in Beijing and the Nanjing University of Science and Technology. The teacher upskilling service program, aims to improve the technical competence of vocational teachers in Indonesia. This service focuses on e-commerce, logistics management, and computer network technology, considered the strategic areas needed today. In addition, the training also aims to provide international experience for teachers, general knowledge regarding education in China, and improvement of foreign language skills, especially Mandarin. Upskilling training was conducted online for six days and was attended by 500 Indonesian vocational teachers. Implementing this program starts with the program's preparation, training, evaluation, and follow-up. The impact of program implementation for teachers is to increase competence and re-charge understanding and skills in their respective fields. In addition, increasing experience in participating in international training and improving foreign language skills, especially English and Mandarin. This program needs to be followed up through similar international upskilling programs for teachers in other fields.

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