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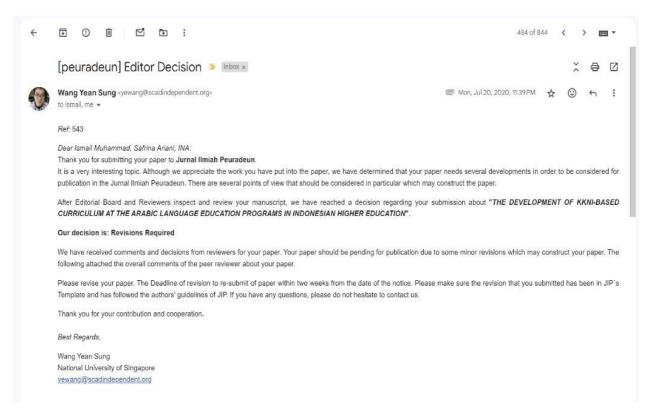
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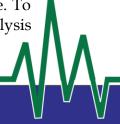
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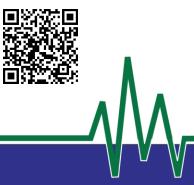
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#### Abstract

In general, the Arabic Language Education Departments (locally called PBA) in Indonesian higher education develop the curriculum by referring to the steps in the rules for developing KKNI (Kerangka Kualifikasi Nasional Indonesia/National Standard-Based Curriculum). However, the determination of the courses was not carried out in-depth by developing CPL and lesson materials independently, but by using the CPL from the National Standards for Higher Education (SNPT) of the Minister of Education and Culture Regulation (MOEC) no 49 of 2014 as well as by adjusting the CPL and the lesson materials to existing courses. This was because PBA study program had difficulties in developing CPL independently. The curriculum structure developed by PBA was based on the serial model curriculum structure.

**Keywords**: KKNI Curriculum, Arabic Language Department (PBA), curriculum development, CPL

#### A. Introduction

Curriculum is the heart of the teaching and learning program (Habiburrahim, 2017). A good curriculum will enable students to achieve learning outcomes that are important for their development and needs, such as technological development, the need for labor, and the environment. With this in mind, the Indonesian government developed

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the KKNI-based curriculum as stipulated in Indonesian Presidential Regulation no. 8 of 2012 concerning KKNI (Kerangka Kualifikasi Nasional Indonesia/National Standard-Based Curriculum). In practice, it was then supported by the regulation of the Ministry of Education and Culture (MOEC) no. 73 of 2013 on the implementation of KKNI in higher education. Article 2 of the MOEC regulation stipulated: Section (1) KKNI in higher education is a qualification gradation framework that can juxtapose, equalize, and integrate learning achievements from the path of non-formal education, informal education, and/or work experience into types and levels of higher education. Section (2) the gradation qualification meant in Section (1) intends to facilitate the education of individuals who have work experiences or learning achievements of nonformal or informal education to (a) take formal education to a higher level/level and/or; (b) get recognition of the qualifications of graduates of certain types of education from the Higher Education Institution (MOEC, 2013).

One of the important criteria of the KKNI-based curriculum is that it is developed independently by the study program by referring to the established requirements. The independent curriculum development of the KKNI has become a burden in the realm of applicability because realistically the study program faces various obstacles. Based on personal experiences of a Ban-PT assessor, of the 27 study programs visited and observed in many parts of Indonesia, only five have developed their curricula based on the KKNI patterns and standards, although they were not perfect.

This study was therefore conducted to further examine the KKNIbased curriculum of PBA, descriptively explore the pattern of KKNI-based curriculum development carried out by the PBA (Arabic Language Department) of BA programs with high accreditation in Indonesia, describe and find solutions to the problems encountered, and find out the ideal curriculum structure based on the highly accredited PBAs.

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This article comes from the results of research on the KKNI-based curriculum and its development patterns in the PBAs. Research was carried out in the highly accredited PBAs in Indonesia. But before conducting research, researchers first conducted a library research to formulate a theoretical framework related to this research study. For this reason, library research is an important part done to complete a portion of this research. As for field research, it used qualitative methods (Syamsuddin AR & Vismaia S. Damianti, 2006, pp. 73-74).

Data were collected from several the highly accredited PBAs or accredited A from Ban-PT, including PBA of UIN Ar-Raniry Banda Aceh, PBA of UIN Syarif Hidayatullah Jakarta, PBA of UIN Maulana Malik Ibrahim, PBA of Jakarta State University, and PBA of Malang State University.

Data collection was carried out through three techniques: document analysis, interviews, and observations. Even so according to the method of research methods, that in qualitative methods, one of the criteria is that humans can become instruments (Moleong, 2002. pp. 4-8).

#### C. Discussion Results

#### 1. Patterns of Curriculum Development in the A-accredited PBAs

In the study conducted on five A-accredited PBAs, researchers found diverse field realities. At UIN Ar-Raniry, discussion on the KKNI curriculum was only carried out in 2018. To improve the quality of the KKNI curriculum, PBA of UIN Ar-Raniry conducted a curriculum evaluation conducted by a team appointed, which consisted of senior lecturers.

The latest discussion on the pattern of KKNI curriculum was conducted by PBA UIN Ar-Raniry after the appointment of the KKNI Curriculum drafting team by the Faculty of Tarbiyah and Teacher Training (FTK), through a KKNI-based curriculum workshop for all study programs at FTK on October 20, 2018. Through the workshop, the participant lecturers were again trained to explore the KKNI curriculum, with the hope that all study programs will develop the KKNI curriculum

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well. The curriculum developers were tasked with developing the basic curriculum design. Furthermore, the SP invited all lecturers in the study program, to get good understanding of and explore the steps in the preparation of the KKNI curriculum, as well as discuss aspects related to the courses being taught (Muslim, 2019).

As in the KKNI curriculum development theory discussed earlier, the initial aspect discussed was the development and introduction of the vision and mission of the PBA of UIN Ar-Raniry, which was followed by a discussion of alumni profiles. From the alumni profile, the development of CPL was then initiated. In discussing the alumni profile, the distinction of the PBA of UIN Ar-Raniry, which result in the profile of the Educational Research Assistant, Teaching Materials Developer and Translator/Arabicprenur. These three distinctions have their own CPLs, which produce optional courses in PBA.

As researchers and participants in the development of the KKNIbased curriculum in PBA of UIN Ar-Raniry, researchers found that the obstacle for KKNI curriculum development there was that not all lecturers came in the discussion of CPL and determine the lesson materials. In fact, the development of CPL and determination of BK were part which determines the development of KKNI curriculum. The presence of the lecturers was expected to provide information and assist in determining CPL and the lesson materials related to the expertise of each lecturer. When the lecturer was absent, the expertise needed in developing CPL and BK was not enough as expected.

However, for the initial development of CPL, PBA of UIN Ar-Raniry referred to the SNPT instructions. For further development in more detail, CPL discussion was discussed during the internal meetings of lecturers who were able to develop the courses. In the discussion about CPL and its relationship with the lesson materials, PBA UIN Ar-Raniry was constrained by the lack of lecturers' attendance at curriculum discussion meetings. This obstacle was then overcome temporarily by not discussing CPL freely, but rather to adjust the existing CPL and the lesson materials with the courses already existed in the previous curriculum structure. This means the KKNI curriculum at PBA of UIN Ar-Raniry until

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August 2019 has not been implemented/implemented maximally, but was still in the stage of adjustment and development.

At PBA of UIN Syarif Hidayatullah, the preparation of the KKNIbased curriculum has started since 2015, a year after the issue of MOEC regulation No. 73 of 2013 concerning Learning Achievement in accordance with KKNI Level. However, the discussion of the KKNI curriculum at PBA of UIN Syarif Hidayatullah is still being improved. In discussing the KKNI curriculum, PBA UIN Syarif Hidayatullah referred to the six stages of the KKNI curriculum formulated by the higher education, namely: (1) graduation profile determination, (2). determination of Graduate Learning Achievement (CPL); (3) determination of the lesson materials; (4). determination of courses; (5) determination of credit points of the courses; (6) curriculum structure preparation; (7) learning process; (8) assessment (Muttagin, 2019). However, as of August 2019, the discussion of the KKNI curriculum at PBA of Syarif Hidayatullah had not been carried out thoroughly. For example, the discussion of specialization in the study program has not received an agreement among curriculum discussers (Muttaqin, 2019). Furthermore, Zainal Muttaqin said that the PBA of UIN Syarif Hidayatullah Jakarta did not specifically establish a curriculum discussion unit, and the PBA curriculum discussion team was only formed incidentally, according to the needs and discussion of the curriculum itself (also). However, basically, according to Zainal Muttaqin, curriculum evaluation was planned regularly, especially to find aspects of deficiencies that need improvement. In this case, PBA UIN Svarif Hidayatullah was collaborating with an internal expert. The education expert who was also a PBA lecturer at UIN Syarif Hidayatullah, Prof. Dr. Abdul Aziz Fakhrurrozi, MA, acknowledged that PBA often contacted him, if help needed in curriculum improvement (Fakhrurrozi, 2019).

Although it is still in the stage of perfecting the curriculum, PBA of UIN Syarif Hidayatullah has attempted to use the KKNI curriculum pattern by following the steps of a systematic discussion. As stated in the previous section, PBA of UIN Syarif Hidayatullah has set the vision/mission of the study program, and study profile. In addition, the discussion on the KKNI curriculum has also thoroughly addressed the

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CPL, up to the establishment of the courses which was the object of study by PBA students. However, as stated previously PBA of UIN Syarif Hidayatullah has not yet determined the elective courses based on the study program specialization. From observations on the structure of the curriculum of PBA of UIN Syarif Hidayatullah, researchers did not find many differences between the curriculum currently implemented now and the previous one, except only the content of the courses related to the development of learning media, which according to Zainal Muttaqin, has begun to lead to the use of multimedia.

PBA of UIN Malik Ibrahim (MALIKI) Malang is considered the best PBA in Indonesia, currently led by Dr. Mamluatul Hasanah, MA. PBA UIN UIN Maliki has begun discussing the KKNI curriculum since 2015/16 (Nurhadi, 2017, 225).

In accordance with the SOP outlined by Quality Assurance Agency (LPM) of UIN MALIKI, the curriculum of a PS in UIN MALIKI must be reviewed at least once a year. This activity is carried out regularly in conjunction with the technical guidance program conducted by the study program, which was attended by all human resources they have, including 20 tenured PBA lecturers, 1 native speaker from Sudan, 20 tenured faculty lecturers and 5 adjunct lecturers. Annual event was conducted to discuss all the problems faced by study programs, including curriculum issues. A new curriculum discussion team will be formed, if large curriculum changes are needed, such as curriculum changes to the KKNI format. If the curriculum discussion only concerns a small problem, for example about the follow-up of problems obtained from students, then it is resolved quickly by the manager of the PS (Missionary, 2019).

The KKNI curriculum discussion at PBA of UIN MALIKI was carried out through three stages. The first (pre-compilation) phase includes meeting with invited curriculum experts, and friendly meetings with stakeholders and the formation of a formulation team. The second stage (preparation stage) includes the formulation of profiles, CPL, the mapping of the study language, the determination of the courses, credit points, the distribution of the courses and the preparation of the RPS. The third stage (public testing) includes presentations at Ministry of Religious

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Affairs (MORA) responsible for Islamic higher education (Diktis), and presentations at university forums (Nurhadi, 2017, 225-226). Until now the PBA of UIN Maliki has achieved the desired target of PS, by developing a good KKNI curriculum, which is complemented by specialization in study programs. Currently, PBA of UIN MALIKI, has determined four specializations: Learning Arabic for children, Arabic Translation for foreign speakers, Arabic journalism, and Arabic media multi-media expertise. In each of the chosen specialization, students are required to attend the 6 credit point courses. For this reason, the cumulative number of the courses chosen in PBA of UIN MALIKI is 24 credit points.

According to the head of PBA of UIN MALIKI, the choice of the specializations was considered as part of the curriculum and the courses choice was based on the principles of relevance and integration so that graduates can develop professional choices as teachers who master the field of learning Arabic (Hasanah, 2019). Furthermore, the head of the PBA explained that the PBA of UIN MALIKI curriculum component, complemented by the implementation of learning and academic atmosphere that includes the structure and content of the curriculum, graduates' competencies and ethics, degree of integration, local curriculum, and elective courses. The main factor of the success of curriculum discussion at UIN MALIKI was the leadership and lecturers' commitment and the availability of the required documents (Nurhadi: 2017, 225). Mamluatul Hasanah said that the KKNI curriculum at UIN MALIKI was titled KKNI integration and Ulul Albab, the application of which was implemented through the implementation of the mukim program in Ma'had with monitored learning Arabic language (Hasanah, 2019).

The preparation of the KKNI curriculum at the PBA Jakarta State University (UNJ), has started since 2015. The discussion of the KKNI curriculum began by conducting the KKNI curriculum training by inviting speakers from DIKTI, Dr. Toto Bintoro, MA. In the implementation of the training and the initial introduction of the KKNI curriculum, the lecturers not only learned the curriculum theory, but also learned how to develop the KKNI curriculum. In this way, the KKNI

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curriculum development in PBA UNJ has no significant obstacles, because in general UNJ lecturers understand it.

To facilitate curriculum development at UNJ, LP3M develops curriculum templates consisting of various CPLs. PBA study programme (and also other study programmes) only developed CPL to strengthen learning material that is suitable with the study program's needs. The CPL related to university and faculty level knowledge was developed by his own team (Nuruddin: 2019).

The preparation of the KKNI curriculum at PBA of Malang State University (UM), has started since 2015. The curriculum development plan at PBA of UM was carried out by incidental planning, or if needed. This means that curriculum improvement was not carried out with regular plans, but only done if there are new rules, or there are reports of the need for improvement (Hanik: 2019). As for the curriculum development of KKNI, PBA of UM did it by referring to the rules with clear stages, including: (1) Graduation Profile Determination, (2) Determination of Graduate Learning Achievement (CPL), (3) Determination of Lesson Materials, (4) Determination of the courses, (5) Determination of credit points amount of the courses, (6) Curriculum Structure Preparation, (7) Learning process, (8) Assessment, (9) Preparation of Semester Learning Plans issued by DIKTI.

The head of PBA of UM stressed that PBA did not particularly discuss the courses specifically in the discussion of the KKNI curriculum, because the existing curriculum structure presentation, according to their internal experts, was considered still good to achieve CPL of PBA. For this reason, PBA of UM only tried to adapt the existing courses to the KKNI curriculum format, and only prepared the courses specialization package as a special distinction of PBA of UM.

Practically, according to the head of the PBA, curriculum development at PBA UM was not a complicated matter, because they have supports of many professors in the field of curriculum and Arabic Language, namely Prof. Muhammad Ainin, Prof. Imam Asrari, Prof. Muhaiban and Indonesian Arabic expert Ust. Ahmad Fuad Efendi. They

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are the leaders of IMLA Indonesia who became the guiding PS PBA and PBSA throughout Indonesia.

PBA curriculum at UM was arranged by dividing the courses into several groups, which produce courses/ groups. The courses group can be seen in the following table:

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No.	Courses Classification	Credits	
1.	Personality development courses	8	
2.	Sciences and Skills	12	
3.	Work Skills	117	
4.	Work Behaviors	6	
5.	Social Life	8	
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The expertise package is another designation of specialization package which is a distinction of PS developed specifically by PBA of UM. This expertise package is included as part of the Work Skills courses, this package is classified into several forms: (a) Translation, (b) Islamic Education, (c) Calligraphy, (d) Arabic for Children (Al-Arabiyah Li Al-Athfal), (e) Computers and the Internet, (f) courses for special purposes. In each specialization package, there are 12 credits courses that must be chosen by students. They are required to choose one package consistently and may not choose the courses outside the chosen package.

This discussion shows that all PBAs that are the subject of this study, basically have tried to develop the KKNI curriculum in accordance with the rules. However, the curriculum discussion has not reached the perfect stage as expected. This fact gives an illustration that if the PBA Study Program excels, the KKNI curriculum development is not yet perfect, then what about other PBA Study Programs in Indonesia. From this fact, it can be seen that, if the government wants the KKNI curriculum to be arranged perfectly and can be applied properly, the government still needs to pay great attention to fostering PS and PT in developing the

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KKNI curriculum. Such attention can be in the form of continuous coaching, as well as giving rewards to PSs who have developed the KKNI curriculum perfectly.

# 2. Problems encountered by the A Accredited PBAs in Discussion of KKNI-Based Curriculum

In general, there were several obstacles in the preparation and review of the KKNI-based curriculum conducted at PBAs.

The first problem was that all university lecturers and administrators understood the importance of the curriculum, and had already been convinced that the existing curriculum had adequate quality for the development of a field of science. In such a situation, the concept of the KKNI curriculum emerged. Because it is still new, this concept is not yet known in depth. So, to learn it, the KKNI curriculum workshop was held. Ironically, most lecturers and leaders did not have time to attend those events, because they had a lot of work, as happened at U-Ar-Raniry Banda Aceh. However, this obstacle can be overcome by the commitment of all the Islamic higher education (IHE) leaders and lecturers to review the curriculum again as needed. Dr. Nuruddin, MPd, the head of the PBA of UNJ, viewed the leadership's attention as a positive factor for curriculum improvement (Nuruddin, 2019). In this aspect, all the PBAs investigated in this study took the benefit, because they are under qualified higher education. For instance, when organizing the KKNI curriculum workshop, UM Malang did not need to invite external resources persons, because they have KKNI curriculum experts. On the other hand, for the higher education with internal experts in the KKNI curriculum, PBAs had sufficient funds to hold workshops by inviting external speakers.

The second obstacle was the completeness of the discussion on CPL. The CPL discussion should have involved all lecturers who teach the courses in the study program because only them who understand the depth and breadth of the study materials needed for the development of the courses. In the CPL discussion meeting at PBA UIN Ar-Raniry, of the 32 invited lecturers, only five lecturers met. For this reason, PBA was

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forced to hold repeated meetings to obtain complete CPL. As a solution to this problem, it is necessary to increase awareness and motivation for lecturers on the importance of CPL in curriculum development. And it is expected that the lecturers have a sense of need to engage in the preparation.

However, to develop CPL in general, PBA can be assisted by IMLA (Ittihad Mudarrisi al-Lughah al-Arabiyah) Indonesia, which has developed a general CPL template and structured as the PBA curriculum standards in Indonesia. However, the results of the IMLA discussions are still limited and general in nature. As a complement, all PBAs must of course develop CPL characterized by certain university PBAs, as a distinction of a university. For the development of CPL which becomes the distinction of PBA, it can be learned from the pattern of developing the course specialization packages in PBA of Malang State University.

The third obstacle faced was the formulation of the KKNI curriculum requires many stages and consumes a lot of time and energy. Therefore, the developers must have many opportunities to complete the curriculum. In addition to discussing the curriculum, it also deals with many rules about the KKNI curriculum, such as Presidential Decree, SNPT and other rules (Nurhadi: 2017, 226). KKNI curriculum is arranged by synchronization between various existing rules. Hence, it is necessary to understand all the rules that can be applied in principle in the preparation of the curriculum.

Another problem faced in connection with the KKNI curriculum was the issue of specialization development. PBA managers may use references found in the comparative studies on developing specialization packages, but if they apply it by following SP at other universities, they will be constrained by the lack of teaching staff in certain specialization areas. The result is the difficulty of developing the characteristics of PS in the form of specialization. As a solution to this problem, the study program must recruit special lecturers, or invite special lecturers to support the desired courses. This accordingly requires SP to provide more funds.

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#### 3. KKNI Curriculum Format and Its Structure

Curriculum structure is a pattern and arrangement of subjects that must be taken by students while studying a program. From the results of the discussion about the curriculum on the subject of research was obtained several facts. KKNI Structure in PBA UIN Ar-Raniry develops curriculum using serial model curriculum structure, where several MKs are developed in the form of serials, for example *Muthalaah I* to IV, *Muhadatsah I* to IV, *Insyak I* to IV, *Nahwu I* to IV, *Sharaf I* to IV. In addition, there are several prerequisites of the courses, such as the Learning Method, Learning Media, Learning Planning, which are the prerequisites of the courses prior to the implementation of PPL, and the Learning Method is a prerequisite for writing the Final Project. The results of these discussions then resulted in a distributed curriculum structure in eight semesters (see Appendix 1).

PBA UIN Syarif Hidayatullah also developed the curriculum, using the serial structure format as used in the PBA of UIN Ar-Raniry. In the KKNI curriculum developed by PBA UIN Syarif Hidayatullah, there were various courses which accumulated as many as 154 credit points (see Appendix II).

The leaders and lecturers of PBA of UNJ also agreed to use the serial curriculum format. This can be observed, for example, from the design of the coursest in the curriculum, especially for the skills courses are in the form of serial. The examples are *Muhadatsah I - IV*, *Nahwu I - VI*, etc. More clearly, the curriculum structure used in PBA of UNJ is presented in Appendix III, which is quoted from the manual issued by the Faculty of Languages and Literature of UNJ.

The curriculum structure of the PBA of UM was broken down into the courses per semester by also using a serial model. Examples of the courses in the curriculum also use the courses with a serial number, as in other PBAs.

In addition to the courses presented in the curriculum structure above, what was special about PBA of UM was that there were many specialization packages, which can be completely interpreted in the following table:

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Table II The Course Structure for Specialization Package of PBA UM

Translation Package		
No	Course	Credits
1	Translation Technique	2
2	Translation Training	4
3	Final Project Translation	4
4	Translation Entrepreneurship	2
	Total	21

The structure of the PBA curriculum at UM complemented by the courses package specialization structure seems to have different characteristics compared to other PBA curriculum structures in Indonesia. Good characteristics can be seen from the existence of diverse specialization courses that consist of various courses of skills. The choice of the courses can provide additional skills and become an excellent distinction for the students themselves. This model can be an option for PBAs in developing the KKNI curriculum. But it is highly challenging for PBA when developing a curriculum with a variety of packages like this because it must provide sufficient teaching staff. As an alternative, PBA can develop a specialization program in a limited way, for example, only two specializations.

From the description presented above, it can be understood that all PBAs use a serial model structure. This happened because of the many MKs presented in the PBA in the form of MK pre-requisite and graded with the same name, which was then given their respective serial numbers. This is understandable because the curriculum results of the discussion of language study programs are filled with skills courses which are divided into four skills: listening skills, reading skills, speaking skills, and writing skills. In addition, there is also multilevel courses of language science, but different from the content aspects namely Nahwu, Sharaf and

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Translating. All of these skills and knowledge are basic knowledge for language students need to be mastered.

Following Yapa Rizal, the curriculum structure of the serial model was a curriculum model in which the preparation of courses was conducted from the most basic to the final semester. Each subject is interconnected as indicated by the presence of prerequisite courses (Yose Rizal, 2015, 20). The positive value of this serial model is, if students are able to complete the MK series well, students after attending lectures will have comprehensive knowledge.

On the other hand, the problem faced in the preparation of the courses based on the serial model exists. If a student fails in a previous serial courses, he cannot continue the advanced courses, which results in a slowdown in completing a particular course. In addition, students also cannot take the following courses in the semesters for the course series, because they have not completed the previous courses. Another problem is that if lecturers between the courses continue to not communicate with each other, often the continuation of lectures does not provide students with comprehensive skills.

In PBA, the curriculum structure of this series is clearly seen in the sequencing of the courses which (sometimes) is given a number, for example, *Muhadatsah I, Muhadatsah II, Muthalaah I, Muthalaah II, Nahwu I, Nahwu II*, etc. It is also seen in the courses which are not numbered but must be sequential, for example, MK teaching theory, must take precedence before taking Teaching Practicum, Research must be taken before Thesis Writing, and so on.

Looking at all the curricula developed in the highly accredited PBA program, it is obvious that the general curriculum structure resembles or is very close to the structure in the structure table developed by IMLA as shown in the following table:

Table III

The Structure of PBA Curriculum as Results of IMLA Discussion

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Knowledg e Base	Field and Sub PBA	
	1. Arabic Competencies (68-88 CPs) (47%-61%)	
	a. Linguistics	16-20
	b. Literature	10
	a. Culture	6
	c. Language proficiency	36-52
	2. Profesional Competencies (34-42 CPs) (24%-29%	%)
Courses	a. Basics of professionalism	10
	(education)	10
	b. Teaching	16-18
	c. Research and thesis	8-14
	3. Nationalism (8 CPs) ** (6%)	
	Islamic Religious Education	2
	Pancasila	2
Supportin	Civic Education	2
g courses	Bahasa Indonesia	2
0	4. Science (4 CPs) ** (3%)	
	Science philosophy	2
	English language	2
5. Additional profession (8-12 sks) (6%-8%) (stud		ents
	choose one of the packages)	
Specialty	a. Calligraphy	8-12
	b. Translation	8-12
	c. 1T for Arabic language	8-12
	d. Arabic for children	8-12
	e. Another package	8-12

Curriculum structure with the courses offered and the number of credits later became a reference for IMLA to develop a standard guideline for KKNI curriculum development in PBA. This structure is considered

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very good, and if implemented well, it will enable alumni achieve the desired CPL targets. The curriculum structure per semester of the research subject can be observed in the appendix of this study, which is presented in the form of courses to be completed by students each semester.

However, viewed from the aspect of the credit points, the PBA has variations. In the PBA at UIN Ar-Raniry, students must complete 148 credits, UIN Syarif Hidayatullah 154 credits, UIN Malang 148 credits, UNJ 148 credits, and UM 146 credits. It can be seen that, in general, the number of credits to be completed by students of BA programs in PBA ranges from 146 to 154 credits. This amount is considered ideal and is still within the range of capabilities and time provided. Viewed from the management aspect, this amount can still be man1aged well.

#### D. Conclusion

From the long explanation described above, some conclusions can be drawn as in the following:

1. The KKNI curriculum development rules have established the stages of curriculum development, including: (1) Graduation Profile Determination, (2) Determination of Graduate Learning Achievement (CPL), (3) Determination of lesson materials, (4) Determination of Subjects, (5) Determination of credit point amount of the courses, (6) Curriculum Structure Preparation, (7) Learning process, (8). Assessment, and (9) Preparation of Semester Learning Plans. In general, the PBA investigated in this study develops the curriculum by following the above steps. However, the determination of the courses was not carried out by developing CPL and lesson materials freely, but rather using CPL that was already in the National Higher Education Standards (SNPT) regulated in MOEC Regulation No. 49 of 2014 and adjusting CPL and the lesson materials with the existing courses. The development of an independent CPL was only carried out for the courses of specialization, which was adjusted to the local situation and condition of the study program.

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2. In developing the KKNI curriculum, PBA dealt with several obstacles. Firstly, because it was still new, this concept was not yet deeply understood by PBA lecturers and managers. So, a KKNI curriculum workshop was needed. Secondly, the discussion of CPL should involve all lecturers who support the courses in the study program, because they understand the depth and breadth of the lesson materials in developing the courses. However, the CPL discussion meeting was constrained because most of the lecturers did not come in the meeting. As such, the development CPL independently is difficult to do. Third, the formulation of the KKNI curriculum requires many stages and consumes a lot of time and energy. Accordingly, it needs many opportunities for the developers to do the curriculum discussions, and deal with many rules about the KKNI curriculum, such as Presidential Decree, SNPT and other rules. Fourth, in developing specialization, PBA was constrained by the lack of human resources, making it difficult to develop specialization as needed.

3. Curriculum structure developed by PBA excelled is the curriculum structure of the serial model, where the courses according to this model, the preparation of courses was conducted from the most basic to the final semester. Each subject was interconnected as indicated by the presence of prerequisite courses. The structure of the serial curriculum is seen in the sequencing of the courses which (sometimes) is numbered, for example, *Muhadatsah I, Muthalaah I, Muthalaah I, Nahwu I, Nahwu II*, etc. The positive value of this serial model is, if students can complete the MK series well, they will have comprehensive knowledge.

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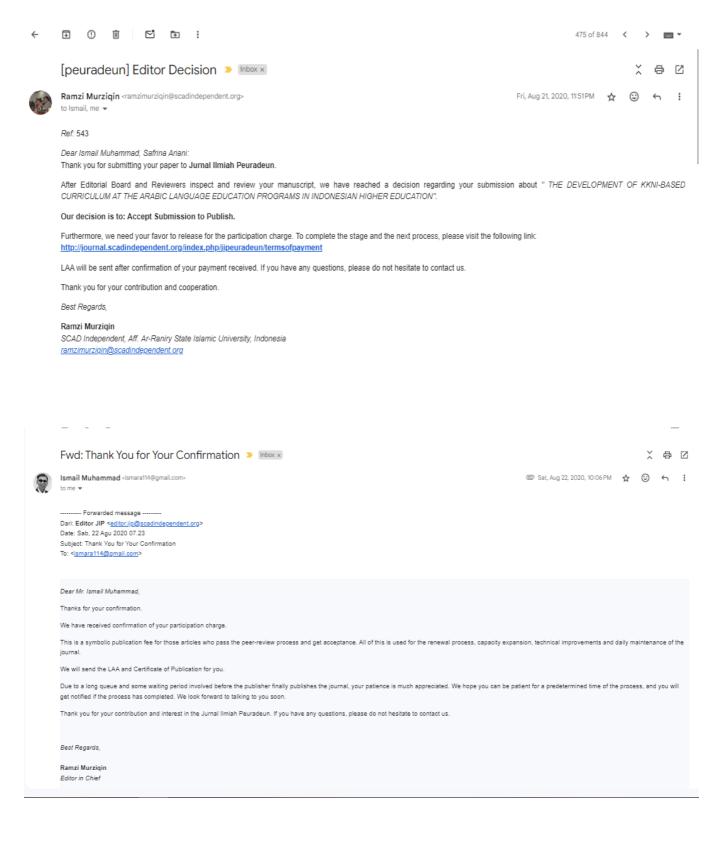
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## Abstract

The change of higher education curriculum in Indonesia to curriculum based Indonesian National Qualification Framework (Kerangka Kualifikasi Nasional Indonesia/KKNI) has require all departements of the Arabic Language Education Departments (locally called PBA) to improve their curriculum to the new standard that is KKNI-based curriculum standard. This study aims to analyze the pattern of KKNI-based curriculum development carried out by 5 best PBA departments (Arabic Language Department) of under graduate programs - accredited A- in Indonesia, to unveil problems faced in improving their curriculum and the solutions for the problems, and to put an ideal PBA KKNI-based curriculum based on the experience of those best PBA departements. The method used was qualitative research covering document analysis, interviews, and observations was applied, and followed by data reduction, data display, and conclusion. The results showed that generally the PBA departements have developed their curriculum by referring to the steps and rules in KKNI standard. However, the determination of the courses was not carried out in-depth by developing learning outcomes and lesson materials independently, but only by referring to the CPL from the National Standards for Higher Education (SNPT) of the Minister of Education and Culture Regulation (MOEC) no 49 of 2014, as well as by adjusting the CPL and the lesson materials to existing courses. This was because PBA study program had difficulties in developing CPL independently. The curriculum structure developed by PBA was based on the serial model curriculum structure where the courses arranged from the easiest in first semester to most difficult one in last semester.

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## A. Introduction

Curriculum is the heart of the teaching and learning program (Habiburrahim, 2017). A good curriculum will enable students to achieve learning outcomes that are important for their development and needs, such as technological development, the need for labor, and the environment. With this in mind, the Indonesian government developed curriculum based Indonesian National Qualification Framework (KKNIbased curriculum) as stipulated in Indonesian Presidential Regulation no. 8 of 2012 concerning KKNI (Kerangka Kualifikasi Nasional Indonesia). In practice, it was then supported by the regulation of the Ministry of Education and Culture (MOEC) no. 73 of 2013 on the implementation of KKNI in higher education. Article 2 of the MOEC regulation stipulated: Section (1) KKNI in higher education is a qualification gradation framework that can juxtapose, equalize, and integrate learning achievements from the path of non-formal education, informal education, and/or work experience into types and levels of higher education. Section (2) the gradation qualification meant in Section (1) intends to facilitate the education of individuals who have work experiences or learning achievements of non-formal or informal education to: (a) take formal education to a higher level/level and/or; (b) get recognition of the qualifications of graduates of certain types of education from the Higher Education Institution (MOEC, 2013).

One of the important criteria of the KKNI-based curriculum is that it is developed independently by the study program by referring to the established requirements. The independent curriculum development of the KKNI has become a burden in the realm of applicability because realistically the study program faces various obstacles. Based on personal experiences of the first writer as a Ban-PT assessor since 2014, it shows that from the 27 study programs visited and observed in many parts of Indonesia, only five have developed their curricula based on the KKNI patterns and standards, although they were still not perfect.

This study conducted to analyze the pattern of KKNI-based curriculum development carried out by 5 best PBA departments (Arabic Language Department) of under graduate programs – accredited A- in Indonesia, to unveil problems faced in improving their curriculum and the solutions for the problems, and to put an ideal PBA KKNI-based curriculum based on the experience of those best PBA departements.

## **B.** Research Methods

This study was carried out in 5 Arabic Departments those are accredited A from Ban-PT by using qualitative approach on their KKNIbased curriculum and its development patterns.

Data were collected from PBA of UIN Ar-Raniry Banda Aceh, PBA of UIN Syarif Hidayatullah Jakarta, PBA of UIN Maulana Malik Ibrahim, PBA of Jakarta State University, and PBA of Malang State University.

Data collection was carried out through three techniques: document analysis, interviews, and observations, followed by data reduction, data display, and conclusion. The documents of KKNI-based curriculum from those PBAs analyze on their suitability with the Indonesian Presidential Regulation no. 8 of 2012 concerning KKNI (*Kerangka Kualifikasi Nasional Indonesia*) and the regulation of the Ministry of Education and Culture (MOEC) no. 73 of 2013 on the implementation of KKNI in higher education.

The interviews were done with the head departements of PBAs and their secretary by purposive sampling (Krathwol, 1993).

## C. Finding and Discussion

# 1. Patterns of Curriculum Development in the A-accredited PBAs

In the study conducted on five A-accredited PBAs, researchers found diverse field realities.

a. PBA of UIN Ar-Raniry Banda Aceh

At UIN Ar-Raniry, discussion on the KKNI curriculum was only carried out in 2018. To improve the quality of the KKNI-based curriculum, PBA of UIN Ar-Raniry conducted a curriculum evaluation conducted by a team appointed, which consisted of senior lecturers, head department and staffs.

The latest discussion on the pattern of KKNI-based curriculum was conducted by PBA UIN Ar-Raniry after the appointment of the KKNIbased curriculum drafting team by the Faculty of Tarbiyah and Teacher Training (FTK), through a KKNI-based curriculum workshop for all study programs at FTK on October 20, 2018. Through the workshop, the participant lecturers were again trained to explore the KKNI-based

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curriculum, with the hope that all study programs will develop the KKNIbased curriculum well.

The curriculum developing teams from each department were tasked to develop the basic curriculum design. Furthermore, The Study Program invited all lecturers in the study program, to get comprehensive understanding of and explore the steps in the preparation of the KKNIbased curriculum, as well as discuss aspects related to the courses being taught.

As in the KKNI-based curriculum development theory discussed earlier, the initial aspect discussed was the introduction and development of the vision and mission of the PBA of UIN Ar-Raniry, then followed by determining the graduates profiles. From the graduate profiles, the Graduate Learning Achievement (CPL) was then initiated. The profiles should have distinctions from other universities/institutions PBA's graduates. The distinctions of the graduate profiles of the PBA of UIN Ar-Raniry are to have the ability to be an Educational Research Assistant, to be a Teaching Materials Developer and to be a Translator/Arabicprenur. These three distinctions have their own learning outcomes, which produce optional courses in PBA.

As researchers and participants in the development of the KKNIbased curriculum in PBA of UIN Ar-Raniry, researchers found that the obstacle for KKNI-based curriculum Development was that not all lecturers came to the discussion of the determination of the achievement of learning (CP) and the study materials and its weight, whereas this step is an important part to determine the development of KKNI-based curriculum. The presence of the lecturers was expected to provide information and to assist the team in determining achievement of learning and study materials and its weight, in accordance with the expertise of each lecturer. When the lecturer was absent, the expertise needed in developing the learning outcome and study material was not enough as expected.

However, for the initial development of the achievement of learning, PBA of UIN Ar-Raniry referred to The National Standards for Higher Education (SNPT) instructions. For further development in more Ismail Muhammad & Safrina Ariani

detail, the achievement of learning discussion was made during the internal meetings of lecturers who were able to develop the courses. In the discussion about CP and its relationship with the study materials, PBA UIN Ar-Raniry was constrained by the lack of lecturers' attendance at curriculum discussion meetings. This obstacle was then overcome temporarily by not discussing CP freely, but rather to adjust the existing CP and the study material and its weight with the courses that already existed in the previous curriculum structure. This means the KKNI-based curriculum at PBA of UIN Ar-Raniry until August 2019 has not been implemented maximally, but was still in the stage of adjustment and development.

## b. PBA of UIN Syarif Hidayatullah Jakarta

At PBA of UIN Syarif Hidayatullah, the preparation of the KKNIbased curriculum has started since 2015, a year after the issue of MOEC regulation No. 73 of 2013 concerning Learning Achievement in accordance with KKNI Level. However, the discussion of the KKNI curriculum at PBA of UIN Syarif Hidayatullah is still being improved. In discussing the KKNI curriculum, PBA UIN Syarif Hidayatullah referred to the six stages of the KKNI curriculum formulated by the higher education, namely: (1) determination of graduate profiles, (2). determination of Graduate Achievement of Learning (CPL); (3) determination of the study material and its weight; (4). determination of courses; (5) determination of credit hours of the courses; (6) curriculum structure preparation; (7) learning process; and (8) assessment (Interview A with Dr. Zainal Muttaqin, M.A.). However, from as of August 2019, the discussion of the KKNI curriculum at PBA of Syarif Hidayatullah had not been carried out thoroughly. For example, the discussion of specialization in the study program has not received an agreement among curriculum discussers (Interview A). Furthermore, Zainal Muttagin said that the PBA of UIN Syarif Hidayatullah Jakarta did not specifically establish a curriculum discussion unit, and the PBA curriculum discussion team was only formed incidentally, according to the needs and discussion of the curriculum itself (also) (Interview A). However, basically, according to him, curriculum evaluation was planned Vol.

regularly, especially to find aspects of deficiencies that need improvement. In this case, PBA UIN Syarif Hidayatullah was collaborating with an internal expert. The education expert who was also a PBA lecturer at UIN Syarif Hidayatullah, Prof. Dr. Abdul Aziz Fakhrurrozi, MA, acknowledged that PBA often contacted him, if help needed in curriculum improvement (Interview B with Prof. Dr. Aziz Fakhrurrozi, MA).

Although it is still in the stage of perfecting the curriculum, PBA of UIN Syarif Hidayatullah has attempted to use the KKNI-based curriculum pattern by following the steps of a systematic discussion. It has set the vision/mission of the study program, and study profile. In addition, the discussion on the KKNI-based curriculum has also thoroughly addressed the learning outcomes, up to the establishment of the courses which was the object of study by PBA students. However, as stated previously PBA of UIN Syarif Hidayatullah has not yet determined the elective courses based on the study program specialization. From observations on the structure of the curriculum of PBA of UIN Syarif Hidayatullah, researchers did not find many differences between the curriculum currently implemented now and the previous one, except only the content of the courses related to the development of learning media, has begun to lead to the use of multimedia (Interview A).

# c. PBA UIN Malik Ibrahim (MALIKI) Malang

PBA of UIN Malik Ibrahim (MALIKI) Malang is considered the best PBA in Indonesia, currently led by Dr. Mamluatul Hasanah, MA. PBA UIN UIN Maliki has begun discussing the KKNI curriculum since academic year 2015/16 (Nurhadi, 2017).

In accordance with the SOP outlined by Quality Assurance Agency (LPM) of UIN MALIKI, the curriculum of a Study Program/Department in UIN MALIKI must be reviewed at least once a year. This activity is carried out regularly in conjunction with the technical guidance program conducted by the study program, which was attended by all human resources they have, including 20 tenured PBA lecturers, 1 native speaker from Sudan, 20 tenured faculty lecturers and 5 adjunct lecturers. Annual event was conducted to discuss all the problems faced by study programs, including curriculum issues. A new curriculum discussion team will be formed, if large curriculum changes are needed, such as curriculum changes to the KKNI format. If the curriculum discussion only concerns a small problem, for example about the follow-up of problems obtained from students, then it is resolved quickly by the head of the department (Interview C with Dr. Mubaligh).

The KKNI curriculum discussion at PBA of UIN MALIKI was carried out through three stages. The first (pre-compilation) phase includes meeting with invited curriculum experts, and friendly meetings with stakeholders and the formation of a formulation team. The second stage (preparation stage) includes the formulation of graduate profiles and Graduate learning achievement, the mapping of the study language, the determination of the courses, credit hours, the distribution of the courses and the preparation of the Learning Plan (RPS). The third stage (public testing) includes presentations at Ministry of Religious Affairs (MORA) responsible for Islamic higher education (Diktis), and presentations at university forums (Nurhadi, 2017, 225-226). Until now the PBA of UIN Maliki has achieved the desired target of the study program, by developing a good KKNI curriculum, which is complemented by specialization in study programs. Currently, PBA of UIN MALIKI, has determined four specializations: Learning Arabic for children, Arabic Translation for foreign speakers, Arabic journalism, and Arabic media multi-media expertise. In each of the chosen specialization, students are required to attend the 6 credit hour courses. For this reason, the cumulative number of the courses chosen in PBA of UIN MALIKI is 24 credit hours.

According to the head departement of PBA of UIN MALIKI, Dr. Mamluatul Hasanah, M.A., the choice of the specializations was considered as part of the curriculum and the courses choice was based on the principles of relevance and integration so that graduates can develop professional choices as teachers who master the field of learning Arabic (Interview D with Dr. Mamluatul Hasanah, MA). Furthermore, the head department of the PBA explained that the PBA of UIN MALIKI curriculum component, complemented by the implementation of learning and academic Vol.

atmosphere that includes the structure and content of the curriculum, graduates' competencies and ethics, degree of integration, local curriculum, and elective courses. The main factor of the success of curriculum discussion at UIN MALIKI was the leadership and lecturers' commitment and the availability of the required documents (Nurhadi: 2017, 225). Mamluatul Hasanah said that the KKNI curriculum at UIN MALIKI was titled KKNI integration and *Ulul Albab*, the application of which was implemented through the implementation of the *mukim* program in Ma'had with monitored learning Arabic language (Interview D).

d. PBA Jakarta State University (Universitas Negeri Jakarta/UNJ)

The preparation of the KKNI-based curriculum at the PBA of Jakarta State University (UNJ), has started since 2015. The discussion of the KKNI curriculum began by conducting the KKNI curriculum training by inviting speakers from DIKTI, Dr. Toto Bintoro, MA. In the implementation of the training and the initial introduction of the KKNI curriculum, the lecturers not only learned the curriculum theory, but also learned how to develop the KKNI curriculum. In this way, the KKNI curriculum development in PBA UNJ has no significant obstacles, because in general UNJ lecturers understand it. (Interview E with Dr. Nuruddin, M.Pd.).

To facilitate curriculum development at UNJ, LP3M develops curriculum templates consisting of various graduate learning achievement . PBA study programme (and also other study programmes) only developed graduate learning achievements to strengthen study material that is suitable with the study program's needs. The Graduate learning achievement related to university and faculty level knowledge was developed by his own team (Interview E).

e. PBA of Malang State University (Universitas Negeri Malang/UM)

The preparation of the KKNI curriculum at PBA of Malang State University (UM), has started since 2015. The curriculum development plan at PBA of UM was carried out by incidental planning, or if needed. This means that curriculum improvement was not carried out with regular plans, but only done if there are new rules, or there are reports of the need for improvement (Interview F with Dr. Hanik Mahliatussikah, M.Hum.). As for the curriculum development of KKNI, PBA of UM did it by referring to the rules with clear stages, including: (1) Graduation Profile Determination, (2) Determination of Graduate Learning Achievement (CPL), (3) Determination of Lesson Materials, (4) Determination of the courses, (5) Determination of credit points amount of the courses, (6) Curriculum Structure Preparation, (7) Learning process, (8) Assessment, (9) Preparation of Semester Learning Plans issued by DIKTI.

The head of PBA of UM, Dr. Hanik Mahliatussikah, M.Hum., stressed that PBA did not particularly discuss the courses specifically in the discussion of the KKNI-based curriculum, because the existing curriculum structure presentation, according to their internal experts, was considered still good to achieve CPL of PBA. For this reason, PBA of UM only tried to adapt the existing courses to the KKNI-based curriculum format, and only prepared the courses specialization package as a special distinction of PBA of UM (interview F).

Practically, according to Hanik, curriculum development at PBA UM was not a complicated matter, because they have supports of many professors in the field of curriculum and Arabic Language, namely Prof. Muhammad Ainin, Prof. Imam Asrari, Prof. Muhaiban and Indonesian Arabic expert Prof. Dr. Ahmad Fuad Efendi. They are the leaders of Arabic Teacher and Lecturer Association (IMLA) Indonesia who became the guiding Study Program of PBA and PBSA throughout Indonesia (Interview F).

PBA curriculum at UM was arranged by dividing the courses into several groups, which produce courses/ groups. The courses group can be seen in the following table:

No.	<b>Courses Classification</b>	Credits
1.	Personality development courses	8
2.	Sciences and Skills	12
3.	Work Skills	117
4.	Work Behaviors	6
5.	Social Life	8

## Table 1 The Division of Courses at PBA of UM

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The expertise package is another designation of specialization package which is a distinction of Study Program developed specifically by PBA of UM. This expertise package is included as part of the Work Skills courses. This package is classified into several forms: (a) Translation, (b) Islamic Education, (c) Calligraphy, (d) Arabic for Children (Al-Arabiyah Li Al-Athfal), (e) Computers and the Internet, (f) courses for special purposes. In each specialization package, there are 12 credits hour courses that must be chosen by students. They are required to choose one package consistently and may not choose the courses outside the chosen package. (Interview F).

From discussion above, it shows that all PBAs that are the subject of this study have basically tried to develop the KKNI-based curriculum in accordance with the rules/instructions. However, the curriculum discussion in those 5 PBA departments has not reached the perfect stage as expected. This fact gives an illustration that if the PBA Study Program excels, the KKNI curriculum development is not yet perfect, then what about other PBA Study Programs in Indonesia. From this fact, it can be seen that, if the government wants the KKNI curriculum to be arranged perfectly and can be applied properly, the government still needs to pay great attention to fostering the study programs and universities in developing the KKNI-based curriculum. Such attention can be in the form of continuous coaching, as well as giving rewards to the study programs who have developed the KKNI-based curriculum perfectly.

### 2. Problems encountered by the A Accredited PBAs in the Development of KKNI-Based Curriculum and Solutions for the Problems

In general, there were several obstacles in the preparation and review of the KKNI-based curriculum conducted at PBAs.

The first problem was that all university lecturers and administrators understood the importance of the curriculum, and had

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already been convinced that the existing curriculum had adequate quality for the development of a field of science. In such a situation, the concept of the KKNI-based curriculum then emerged. Because it is still new, this concept is not yet known in depth. So, to learn it, the KKNI-based curriculum workshop was held. Ironically, most lecturers and leaders did not have time to attend those events, because they had a lot of work, as happened at UIN Ar-Raniry Banda Aceh. However, this obstacle can be overcome by the commitment of all the Islamic higher education (IHE) leaders and lecturers to review the curriculum again as needed. Dr. Nuruddin, M.Pd, the head of the PBA of UNJ, viewed that the leadership's attention play a positive factor for curriculum improvement (Interview E). In this aspect, all the PBAs investigated in this study took that benefit, because they are under qualified higher education. For instance, when organizing the KKNI-based curriculum workshop, UM Malang did not need to invite external resources persons, because they have KKNI-based curriculum experts. On the other hand, for the higher education with internal experts in the KKNI-based curriculum, PBAs had sufficient funds to hold workshops by inviting external speakers.

The second obstacle was the completeness of the discussion on Graduate Learning Achievement (CPL). The CPL discussion should have involved all lecturers who teach the courses in the study program because only them who understand the depth and weight of the study materials needed for the development of the courses. In the CPL discussion meeting at PBA UIN Ar-Raniry, of the 32 invited lecturers, only five lecturers met. For this reason, PBA was forced to hold repeated meetings to obtain complete CPL. As a solution to this problem, it is necessary to increase awareness and motivation for lecturers on the importance of CPL in curriculum development. And it is expected that the lecturers have a sense of need to engage in the preparation.

However, to develop CPL in general, PBA can be assisted by IMLA (Ittihad Mudarrisi al-Lughah al-Arabiyah/ Arabic Teacher and Lecturer Association) Indonesia, which has developed a general CPL template and structured as the PBA curriculum standards in Indonesia. However, the Vol.

results of the IMLA discussions are still limited and general in nature. As a complement, all PBAs must of course develop CPL characterized by certain university PBAs, as a distinction of a university. For the development of CPL which becomes the distinction of PBA, it can be learned from the pattern of developing the course specialization packages in PBA of Malang State University.

The third obstacle faced was the formulation of the KKNI curriculum requires many stages and consumes a lot of time and energy. Therefore, the developers must have many opportunities to complete the curriculum. In addition to discussing the curriculum, it also deals with many rules about the KKNI-based curriculum, such as Presidential Decree, SNPT regulation and other rules (Nurhadi: 2017, 226). KKNI-based curriculum is arranged by synchronization between various existing rules. Hence, it is necessary to understand all the rules that can be applied in principle in the preparation of the curriculum.

Another problem faced in connection with the KKNI-based curriculum was the issue of specialization development. PBA managers may use references found in the comparative studies on developing specialization packages, but if they apply it by following Study Program at other universities, they will be constrained by the lack of teaching staff in certain specialization areas. The result is the difficulty of developing the characteristics of Study Program in the form of specialization. As a solution to this problem, the study program must recruit special lecturers, or invite special lecturers to support the desired courses. This accordingly requires Study Programs to provide more funds.

### 3. KKNI-based Curriculum Format and Its Structure based on the Experience of 5 Best PBA Departements

Curriculum structure is a pattern and arrangement of subjects that must be taken by students while studying a program. From the results of the discussion about the curriculum on the subject of research was obtained several facts. KKNI Structure in PBA UIN Ar-Raniry develops curriculum using serial model curriculum structure, where several MKs are developed The Development of KKNI-Based Curriculum at the Arabic Language Education Programs in Indonesian Higher Education

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in the form of serials, for example *Muthalaah* I to IV, *Muhadatsah* I to IV, *Insyak* I to IV, *Nahwu* I to IV, *Sharaf* I to IV. In addition, there are several prerequisites of the courses, such as the Learning Method, Learning Media, Learning Planning, which are the prerequisites of the courses prior to the implementation of Teaching Practice (PPL), and the Learning Method is a prerequisite for writing the Final Project. The results of these discussions then resulted in a distributed curriculum structure in eight semesters as shown in the table:

No.	Courses	Credit hour
	Semester I	
1	Pancasila dan	2
	Kewarganegaraan	
2	Bahasa Inggris	2
3	Matematika Dasar	2
4	Bahasa Arab	2
5	Ulumul Quran dan Hadits	2
6	Istima' I	2
7	Muhadatsah I	2
8	Nahwu I	2
9	Sharaf I	2
10	Muthalaah I	2
	Total	20
	Semester II	
1	Bahasa Indonesia	2
2	Fikh/Ushul Fikih	2
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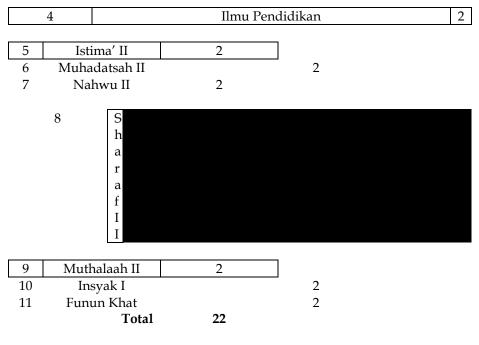
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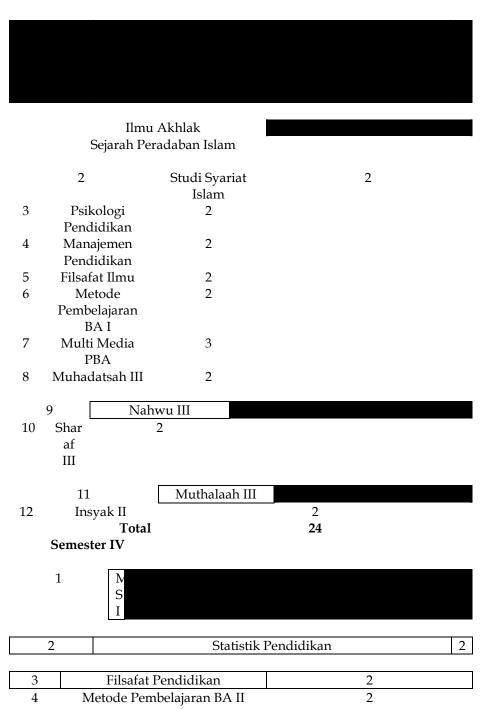


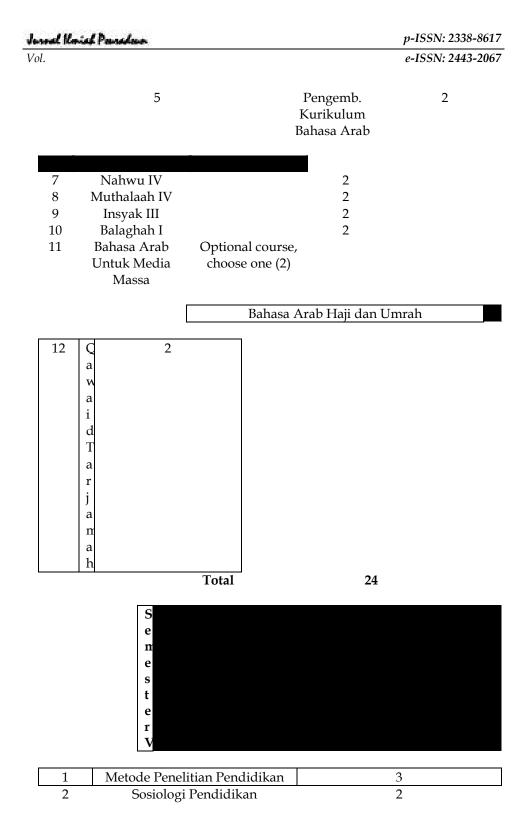
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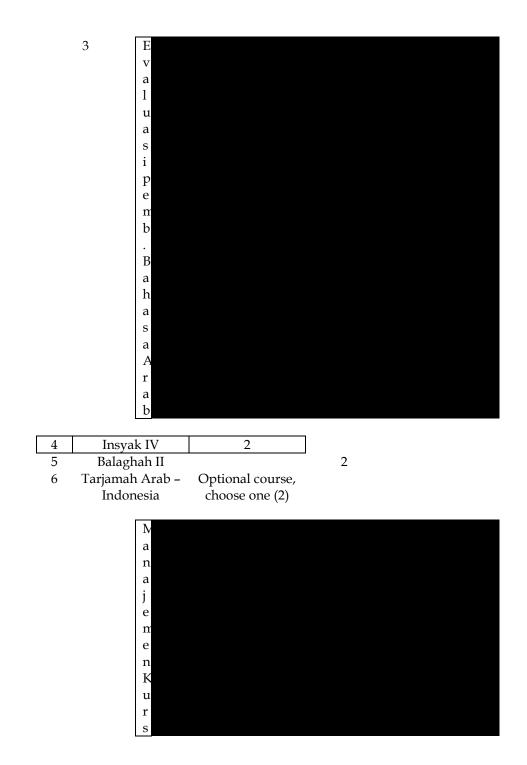
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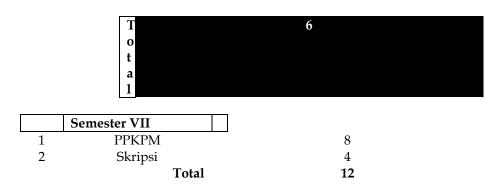
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PBA UIN Syarif Hidayatullah also developed the curriculum, using the serial structure format as used in the PBA of UIN Ar-Raniry. In the KKNI curriculum developed by PBA UIN Syarif Hidayatullah, there were various courses which accumulated as many as 154 credit points as seen in table 3.

Table 3 Curriculum Structure of PBA UIN Syarif Hidayatullah Jakarta

No	Courses	Credit hour
S	emester I	
1	Studi Islam	4
2	Pancasila	2
3	Bahasa Indonesia	3
4	Bahasa Inggris	3
		2
6	Muhadatsah 1	2
7	Sharaf 1	2
8	Nahwu 1	2
9	Qiroah 1	2
10	Istima' 1	2
S	emester II	
1	PKN	2
2	Ilmu Pendidikan Islam	2
3	Pendidikan Akhlak	3

4	Praktikum Ibadah	
5	Ilm Ashwat	2
6	Muhadatsah 2	2
7	Istima' 2	2
8	Nahwu 2	
10	Sharaf 2	2
10	Sharar 2	Z
	Total	
	Semester III	
1		
2	Muhadatsah 3	2
3	Balaghah 1	2
4	Insya' 1	2
5	Nahwu 3	
5	Ivaliwu 5	
7	Media dan Teknologi	3
7	Media dan Teknologi Pembelajaran BA	3
7	Pembelajaran BA	3
7 8	Pembelajaran BA Qiroah 3	2
	Pembelajaran BA Qiroah 3 Filsafat dan Ilmu	
8 9	Pembelajaran BA Qiroah 3 Filsafat dan Ilmu Pendidikan	2
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8 9 10	Pembelajaran BA Qiroah 3 Filsafat dan Ilmu Pendidikan Khat Arabi	2 2 2
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6	Ilmu Lughah an-Nafsi	2
7	Qira'ah 4	2
8	Nahwu 4	2
0		2
9	Al-Lahajat al-Arabiyyah	2
10	Kurikulum dan Pembelajaran	2
11	Tadribat Lughawiyyah 1	2
	Total	22
	Semester V	
1	Metode Khusus Pembelajaran BA 2	2
2	Insya' 3	2
3	Balaghah 3	2
4	Evaluasi Pembelajaran Bahasa Arab	2
5	2 Fiqh Lughah 1	2
6	Telaah Kurikulum dan Buku Teks	2
0	BA 1	2
7	Metode Penelitian Kependidikan	2
8	Perencanaan Pembelajaran BA	2
9	Tadribat Lughawiyah 2	2
10	Ilmu Lughah at-Tatbiqi	2
11	Metode Khusus Pembelajaran BA 2	2
	Total	24
	Semester VI	
1	Fiqih Lughah 2	2
2	Tarikh al-'Ulum al-'Arabiyyah	2
3	Penelitian Tindakan Kelas (PTK)	2
4	Statistika Pendidikan	2
5	Telaah Kurikulum dan Buku Teks	2
	BA 2	
6	Metode Penelitian Bahasa	3
7	Strategi Pembelajaran BA	3
8	Ilmu al-Dalalah wa al-Ma'ajim	2
9	Kepramukaan	2
	Total	20
	Semester VII	
1	Pengajaran Mikro	3
2	Nadwah al-Bahts	2
	Total	5
	Semester VIII	
1	Praktek Kependidikan	4
2	Skripsi	6
	Total	10

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The leaders and lecturers of PBA of UNJ also agreed to use the serial curriculum format. This can be observed, for example, from the design of the coursest in the curriculum, especially for the skills courses are in the form of serial. The examples are *Muhadatsah I - IV*, *Nahwu I – VI*, etc. More clearly, the curriculum structure used in PBA of UNJ is presented in Appendix 1, which is quoted from the manual issued by the Faculty of Languages and Literature of UNJ.

The curriculum structure of the PBA of UM was broken down into the courses per semester by also using a serial model. Examples of the courses in the curriculum also use the courses with a serial number, as in other PBAs.

In addition to the courses presented in the curriculum structure above, what was special about PBA of UM was that there were many specialization packages, which can be completely interpreted in the following table:

No	Translation Package Course	Credits
1	Translation Technique	2
2	Translation Training	4
3	Final Project Translation	4
4	Translation Entrepreneurship	2
	Total	21

Table 4 The Course Structure for Specialization Package of PBA UM

The structure of the PBA curriculum at UM complemented by the courses package specialization structure seems to have different characteristics compared to other PBA curriculum structures in Indonesia. Good characteristics can be seen from the existence of diverse specialization courses that consist of various courses of skills. The choice of the courses can provide additional skills and become an excellent distinction for the students themselves. This model can be an option for PBAs in developing the KKNI curriculum. But it is highly challenging for PBA when developing a curriculum with a variety of packages like this because it must provide

sufficient teaching staff. As an alternative, PBA can develop a specialization program in a limited way, for example, only two specializations.

From the description presented above, it can be understood that all PBAs use a serial model structure. This happened because of the many MKs presented in the PBA in the form of MK pre-requisite and graded with the same name, which was then given their respective serial numbers. This is understandable because the curriculum results of the discussion of language study programs are filled with skills courses which are divided into four skills: listening skills, reading skills, speaking skills, and writing skills. In addition, there is also multilevel courses of language science, but different from the content aspects namely Nahwu, Sharaf and Translating. All of these skills and knowledge are basic knowledge for language students need to be mastered.

Following Yose Rizal, the curriculum structure of the serial model was a curriculum model in which the preparation of courses was conducted from the most basic to the final semester. Each subject is interconnected as indicated by the presence of prerequisite courses (Yose Rizal, 2015, 20). The positive value of this serial model is, if students are able to complete the MK series well, students after attending lectures will have comprehensive knowledge.

On the other hand, the problem faced in the preparation of the courses based on the serial model exists. If a student fails in a previous serial courses, he cannot continue the advanced courses, which results in a slowdown in completing a particular course. In addition, students also cannot take the following courses in the semesters for the course series, because they have not completed the previous courses. Another problem is that if lecturers between the courses continue to not communicate with each other, often the continuation of lectures does not provide students with comprehensive skills.

In PBA, the curriculum structure of this series is clearly seen in the sequencing of the courses which (sometimes) is given a number, for example, *Muhadatsah I, Muhadatsah II, Muthalaah I, Muthalaah II, Nahwu I, Nahwu II*, etc. It is also seen in the courses which are not numbered but must

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be sequential, for example, MK teaching theory, must take precedence before taking Teaching Practicum, Research must be taken before Thesis Writing, and so on.

Looking at all the curricula developed in the highly accredited PBA program, it is obvious that the general curriculum structure resembles or is very close to the structure in the structure table developed by IMLA as shown in the following table:

Knowledge Based	2	Field and Sub PBA	Percentage (%)
	1.	Arabic Competencies (68-88 CPs) (47%-61%	)
		a. Linguistics	16-20
		b. Literature	10
		a. Culture	6
Core		c. Language proficiency	36-52
Courses	2.	Profesional Competencies (34-42 CPs) (24%	-29%)
(1&2)		a. Basics of professionalism	10
		(education)	10
		b. Teaching	16-18
		c. Research and thesis	8-14
	3.	Nationalism (8 CPs) ** (6%)	
		Islamic Religious Education	2
		Pancasila	2
Supporting		Civic Education	2
courses		Bahasa Indonesia	2
(3&4)	4.	Science (4 CPs) ** (3%)	
		Science philosophy	2
		English language	2
	5.	Additional profession (8-12 sks) (6%-8%) (s	tudents choose
Specialty		one of the packages)	
Peciality		a. Calligraphy	8-12
		b. Translation	8-12
		c. IT for Arabic language	8-12

Table 3 The Structure of PBA Curriculum as Results of IMLA Discussion

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d.	Arabic for children	8-12
e.	Another package	8-12

Curriculum structure with the courses offered and the number of credits later became a reference for IMLA to develop a standard guideline for KKNI-based curriculum development in PBA departements. This structure is considered very good, and if implemented well, it will enable graduate to achieve the desired CPL targets. The curriculum structure per semester of the research subject can be observed in the appendix of this study, which is presented in the form of courses to be completed by students each semester.

However, viewed from the aspect of the credit points, the PBA has variations. In the PBA at UIN Ar-Raniry, students must complete 148 credits, UIN Syarif Hidayatullah 154 credits, UIN Malang 148 credits, UNJ 148 credits, and UM 146 credits. It can be seen that, in general, the number of credits to be completed by students of BA programs in PBA ranges from 146 to 154 credits. This amount is considered ideal and is still within the range of capabilities and time provided. Viewed from the management aspect, this amount can still be managed well.

### D. Conclusion

From the long explanation described above, some conclusions can be drawn as in the following:

1. The KKNI curriculum development rules have established the stages of curriculum development, including: (1) Graduation Profile Determination, (2) Determination of Graduate Learning Achievement (CPL), (3) Determination of lesson materials, (4) Determination of Subjects, (5) Determination of credit point amount of the courses, (6) Curriculum Structure Preparation, (7) Learning process, (8). Assessment, and (9) Preparation of Semester Learning Plans. In general, the PBA investigated in this study develops the curriculum by following the above steps. However, the determination of the courses was not carried out by developing CPL

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and lesson materials freely, but rather using CPL that was already in the National Higher Education Standards (SNPT) regulated in MOEC Regulation No. 49 of 2014 and adjusting CPL and the lesson materials with the existing courses. The development of an independent CPL was only carried out for the courses of specialization, which was adjusted to the local situation and condition of the study program.

2. In developing the KKNI curriculum, PBA dealt with several obstacles. Firstly, because it was still new, this concept was not yet deeply understood by PBA lecturers and managers. So, a KKNI curriculum workshop was needed. Secondly, the discussion of CPL should involve all lecturers who support the courses in the study program, because they understand the depth and breadth of the lesson materials in developing the courses. However, the CPL discussion meeting was constrained because most of the lecturers did not come in the meeting. As such, the development CPL independently is difficult to do. Third, the formulation of the KKNI curriculum requires many stages and consumes a lot of time and energy. Accordingly, it needs many opportunities for the developers to do the curriculum, such as Presidential Decree, SNPT and other rules. Fourth, in developing specialization, PBA was constrained by the lack of human resources, making it difficult to develop specialization as needed.

3. Curriculum structure developed by PBA excelled is the curriculum structure of the serial model, where the courses according to this model, the preparation of courses was conducted from the most basic to the final semester. Each subject was interconnected as indicated by the presence of prerequisite courses. The structure of the serial curriculum is seen in the sequencing of the courses which (sometimes) is numbered, for example, *Muhadatsah I, Muhadatsah II, Muthalaah I, Muthalaah II, Nahwu I, Nahwu II,* etc. The positive value of this serial model is, if students can complete the course series well, they will have comprehensive knowledge.

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### Interview

- Interview A. Interview with Dr. Zainal Muttaqin, the head department of PBA UIN Syarif Hidayatullah, Ciputat-Jakarta, July 23, 2019.
- Interview B. Interview with Prof. Dr. Aziz Fakhrurrozi, MA, Senior Lecture of PBA UIN Syahid, on July 23, 2019.
- Interview C. Interview with Dr. Mubaligh, the secretary of PBA UIN MALIKI, on July 18, 2019.
- Interview D. Interview D with Dr. Mamluatul Hasanah, MA, the Head Departement of PBA UIN MALIKI, on July 18, 2019.
- Interview E. Interview with Dr. Nuruddin, M.Pd., the Head Department of UNJ, on July 22, 2019.
- Interview F. Interview with Dr. Hanik Mahliatussikah, M. Hum., the head department of PBA UM, on July 19, 2019.

### Appendix I:

Curriculum Structure of PBA Universitas Negeri Jakarta (UNJ)

No	Courses	Credit hour
	Semester I	
1	Pancasila	2
2	Bahasa Indonesia	2
3	Landasan Ilmu Pendidikan	4
4	Khat	2

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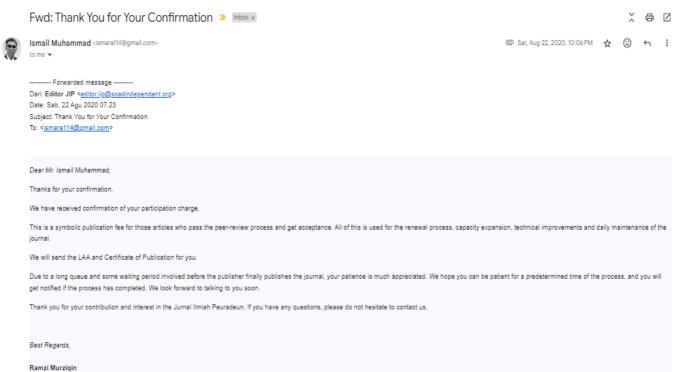
5	Imla	2
6	Istima' I	2
7	Kalam I	3
8	Qiraah I	3
9	Estetika	2
	Total	22
	Semester II	
1	Agama	2
2	Kewarga-negaraan	2
3	Bahasa Inggris	2
4	Psikologi Perkembangan	2
5	Nahwu I	3
6	Istima' II	2
7	Kalam II	3
8	Qiraah II	3
9	Filsafat Ilmu	2
	Total	21
	Semester III	
1	Teori Belajar dan Pembelajaran	4
2	Sharaf I	3
3	Kalam III	2
4	Qiraah III	2
5	Al-Quran	2
6	Komputer Arab	2
7	Perenc. Peblj. Bahasa Arab	2
	Total	17
	Semester IV	•
1	IAD	2
2	Pengemb. Profesi Pembelajaran	2
3	Ilmu Lughah al-Am	2 3
4	Nahwu II	
5	Kalam IV	2
6	Qiraah IV	2
7	Kitabah I	3
8	Praktek Mengajar	2
9	Media Pembj. Bahasa Arab	2
10	Evaluasi Pembj. Bahasa Arab	2
	Total Semester V	22
1	Ilmu Aswat	2
2	Sharaf II	2
2	Kitabah II	3
4	Teori Tarjamah	2
5	Balaghah I	2
5		~

6	Sosiolinguistik		МКО
	Psikolinguistik		(2)
7	Statistik		2
8	Penelitian		2
9	Ilmu Dakwah		2
10	Metd. Pembj. Bahasa Arab		3
	<i>,</i>	Total	22
	Semester VI		
1	Nahwu III		2
2	Kitabah III		2
3	Tarjamah I		2
4	Balaghah		2
5	Teori Sastra		2
6	Ilmu Dalalah		2
7	Anakon Anakes		2
8	Taujih Risalah		2
9	Pemb. Kompetensi Mengajar		2
		Total	18
	Semester VII		
1	Istimak III		2
2	Tarjamah II		2
3	Tsaqafah Islamiyah		2
4	Tarikh Adab		2
5	Nusush Adab		2
6	Fikih		2
7	Nadwah Ilmiyah		2
		Total	14
	Semester VIII		
1	Nadwah Ilmiyah		2
2	Skripsi		6
3	KKN		2
		Total	10

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