

## **ABSTRACT**

*The diversity of Indonesian culture is very visible and seen from various forms of customs or traditions of each ethnic region. Ethnic marriage is unavoidable because of the interaction that occurs between indigenous peoples who are Javanese with migrant populations, especially ethnic Batak. This study aims to determine the process of intercultural communication that occurred in the practice of mangain boru in mixed marriages between Javanese and Batak people in Nandan, Yogyakarta. Researchers used qualitative research methods, with a descriptive approach in analyzing data and equipped with source triangulation techniques for data validity. The object of this study were five couples who conducted mixed marriages of Javanese and Batak people in Nandan. The results show that the process of intercultural communication can be established and effective among five pairs. In this study, the husband plays his role as a temporary communicator of the wife as a communicant. In the Batak ethnic and Javanese ethnic marriages, each pair chose to use Indonesian to communicate with each other. This is done to prevent misunderstanding. The difference in communication that occurs has a different effect on every couple who do a mixed marriage of Batak and Javanese people.*

*Keywords:*

*Intercultural Communication, Mangain Boru Practices, Batak and Javanese mixed marriages.*

