

Dianty Widjowati Is Outstanding Student Nationally

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YOGYAKARTA - Dianty Widjowati Ningrum, 20, Social Development and Welfare student at Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Universitas Gadjah Mada, has been ranked third best student during the National Outstanding Students event held by the Research and Technology Higher Learning Directorate in Santika Premiere Hotel, Malang, Tuesday (30/6) from 28-30 June.


The event was followed by 30 finalists. UGM sent two delegates. Meanwhile, the first and second winners are R. Aditya Brahmana from ITS and Ikrom Mustofa from IPB.

Dianty talked on the telephone (1/7) that she was excited and proud to have won the competition after competing with other 15 participants.

"I had not expected this, other participants were really very good," said the girl from Magelang.

They all went through a selection process, which included psychology test, scientific paper presentation, presentation in English and their outstanding work. For Dianty, to present her paper to eight national experts was the hardest part as each participant had to convey their creative ideas that would benefit all. Dianty focused on the qualitative and quantitative data of street children to enable the process of social treatment.

According to Dianty, the total number of Indonesian street children is 232 thousands, or double of the figure in 2011. The reason has not been well understood because of the lack of data and handling process.



“Data on street children are very limited, therefore, I offered this survey method to strengthen the data processing,” she said.

In this event Dianty had to submit administrative requirement, scientific paper, as well as video presentation in English. Speaking academically, her GPA is 3.82. Further, Dianty had twice won national English Debating competition as well as being invited to the World Universities Debating Championship (WUDC) in Chennai India last year. Also, she was on student exchange to Singapore for one semester in 2014, did apprenticeship in Thailand for a month, and student exchange to Vietnam for three months. Non-academically, Dianty has been actively involved in organisations, including becoming Chairman of English Debate Society (EDS) UGM, and executive member of Social Development and Welfare student association.

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