

Webometrics: UGM Ranks First in Indonesia

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Universitas Gadjah Mada ranks first in Indonesia according to the Webometrics as of July 2016, followed by Universitas Indonesia and Institut Teknologi Bandung. Globally, UGM ranks at 724th.

Director of UGM Information System and Resources, Widyawan, ST., M.Sc., Ph.D, said on Friday (5/8) that the criteria used are presence, impact, openness, and excellence. Presence is measured based on volume of website page, impact based on references (backlink) from external websites, openness based on repository of rich file (pdf, doc, ppt), excellence on paper that is published in international journals.

“For the first three criteria, UGM ranks first in Indonesia, and ranks second in the excellence aspect,” said Widyawan.

To increase its international reputation, UGM conducts programme that is divided into academic internationalization, database integration, and brand equity. In 2015, UGM formed a team to work on rankings and make programmes, including digital library.

“UGM has also facilitated and encouraged UGM units and lecturers to make use of the web and the internet to upload their works and profiles. All lecturers and students here are facilitated with personal blogs while faculties and departments all have their official web sites,” he said.

This ranking, he said, showed the recognition of UGM performance in presenting digital contents to the cyber world. He said this could be made a benchmark for other insitutions to improve in the future, particularly in improving qualities in the world as stipulated in the Strategic Plan of the Research, Technology and Higher Learning Ministry 2015-2019.

“At the world level, we aim to be at Big 500,” he concluded.

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