

# Disabled People Can Contribute to State Development

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To be part of the role to develop the nation is the right and obligation for every citizen. Any one has their own way to express their role in that. The same is true for the disabled people. But currently, there is the assumption that they cannot do things like what is done by other average people. Of course, this is a false assumption as there are already many disabled people playing greater roles than the people who are considered normal. So, it is appropriate if we provide the same room for expression to the people with disabilities.

This view serves the base for the hosting of Culture and Art Collaboration (CAC) by executives of scholarships management (LPDP and BUDI UGM) on Friday (2/12) in the Auditorium of Faculty of Cultural Sciences UGM to mark the International Disabilities Day on 3 December.

UGM student affairs director, Dr. Senawi, appreciated the event as it raised the justice issue for the disabled people. Senawi said UGM supported the move to give room to them to participate in the academic world and state development roles.

“You all have to have the spirit and be prepared to face the global challenges,” he said.



Dean of Faculty of Cultural Sciences, Dr. Wening Udasmoro, told all awardees of LPDP and BUDI to contribute to their own regions once they return there. She highlighted that the Faculty was very open to disabled students as proven by the fact of students studying there.

The event went with arts performances and talkshows that also presented a disabled person, Hafid Pradipta from West Java that will continue his study to the US for his master's degree in economic politics with the LPDP scholarship.

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