

Purwani Istiana, the Best Librarian of UGM 2017

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Library of Universitas Gadjah Mada (UGM) has selected the best UGM librarian. In 2017, Purwani Istianti, librarian of Faculty of Geography was selected as the best librarian at university level. Meanwhile, runner up and third position were achieved by Ngesti Gandini, librarian of Faculty of Medicine, and Janu Saptani, librarian of UGM Central Library, respectively.

The selection of UGM best librarian in 2017 was joined by 12 librarians and library staff of UGM. The participants were selected through five selection stages, namely administrative selection, writing test, best paper selection, focus group discussion (FGD), and presentation.

The Head of UGM Library, Dra. Nawang Purwanti, M.Lib., said this was a yearly agenda organized by UGM Library since 2009. This even aims to enhance motivation and competencies, as well as develop professionalism of librarians and library staff of UGM.

"The event was done to give appreciation to librarian and library staff who have achievements in doing their jobs," said Nawang after giving the award at UGM Library on Wednesday (15/3).



Nawang said the best UGM librarian will become UGM delegate in the Best Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff Competition which will be held by Indonesian Ministry of Research, Technology, and Higher Education.

“We will supervise and give assistance. We hope they can succeed and make achievement in the national competition,” she added.

Furthermore, Purwani was selected as UGM best librarian because of her innovative idea on strengthening university reputation which has been done by her during her profession as librarian. She not only gives information about library, but also gives assistance in writing reference for students of Faculty of Geography who are in the middle of writing papers. Moreover, she also gives counseling and literation information for all of Geography students.

Meanwhile, Purwani said that she was quite surprised becoming the best librarian of UGM. She did not even targeting to achieve the best position. But still, she continued doing the best she could in every stage of selection.

“I always try to give the best in everything I do. This achievement drives me to improve my performance to be better than now,” said Purwani.

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