

Vocational School UGM Hosts Career Expo

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Vocational School UGM through Vocational Development Center has organised a career days event, *Career Expo*, from 3-4 May 2017 in Grha Sabha Pramana UGM with as many as 225 vacancies in 56 companies being offered for job seekers.

Yoga Dwi Astono, event chairman, said this was the eighth round of such events from Vocational School. The school generally organises two events in May and November.

Yoga Dwi Astono expressed his appreciation that this year's event has exceeded the target.

"Obviously, we were excited. We had aimed at 8,000 - 10000 job seekers that would come to the event," said Yoga in Grha Sabha Pramana on Wednesday (3/5).

Yoga explained the participating companies offered various schemes of vacancies which is good for people to start their career.

"Job seekers need to submit their biodata and fill out the forms before conducting recruitment process in the following days. It is opened for free to everyone, either graduating from Vocational

School or Graduate School," he said.

Radhian Krisnaputra, S.T., M.Eng, Acting Vice-Dean of UGM Vocational School, welcomed the career days event. The School, he said, would continue its commitment in career development. This has been proved by the learning process in applied education that prioritises on skills.

"Going forward, we will increase the ratio of practice and theories of 70:30 from the current 60:40 ratio. Graduates have to have apprenticeship experience so that our graduates would learn the nature of work, mentality and attitude as well as leadership in a job team," said Radhian, opening the event.

Manager of cooperation and strategic development of the School, Ir. Hotma Prawoto Sulistyadi, M.T., IP.MD., said Indonesian manpower has encountered many barriers. UGM graduates can hopefully fill the job market better. To achieve this, the School will no longer offer a three-year diploma programme but four year (D IV).

"D IV is equal with undergraduate level or S1 level but it is more on applied science. This programme already had a collaboration with German universities and we will prepare more qualified manpower," he said.

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