

UGM Dispatches 31 Teams to National Scientific Week

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Universitas Gadjah Mada has symbolically dispatched UGM contingent to compete at the *30th National Student Scientific Week* (PIMNAS) at Universitas Muslim Indonesia in Makassar and dispatched Gadjah Mada Aerospace Team (GMRT) to compete in West Java.

The Rector of UGM represented by Vice-Rector for Research and Community Service, drg. Ika Dewi Ana, M.Kes., Ph.D. released the teams at the Balairung UGM. Furthermore, presentation of awards was held, namely the grand champion of *Indonesian Robotic Contest 2017*, *Flying Robot 2015* and *2016*, and *National Outstanding Student 2017*, to the university.

This year as many as 31 titles of student creativity programme from UGM passed the selection and go through to the PIMNAS 2017, which is the highest number compared to other universities'. "UGM along with Institut Pertanian Bogor and Universitas Brawijaya rank top by sending 31 teams to the competition," said UGM Student Affairs Director, Dr. Drs. Senawi, M.P.

Senawi is optimistic this year UGM can be the grand champion. "The university continues to hone the spirit of the contingent, well prepared, hopefully UGM can be the grand champion this year," said Senawi.



Drg. Ika hoped the UGM contingent learn how to develop integrity and honesty so as to contribute to the society. According to Ika, being the winner is not the goal, but how to build integrity. “Through problems, we think how to do research systematically, until we can defend our ideas and resolve the problem for the society,” said Ika. She hoped this value can be learned by the UGM students so they can pass the baton from the previous generation.

“Good luck to you all, maintain innovative ideas and make contributions to science and humanity,” she concluded.

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