

UGM, the Best Non-Polytechnic University in Student Affairs Sector

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Universitas Gadjah Mada (UGM) earned an award as *The Best University in Student Affairs category* from Indonesian Ministry of Research, Technology, and Higher Education. UGM was awarded as the best non-polytechnic university in student affairs category in Indonesia in 2017. The award was directly given by the Minister of Research, Technology, and Higher Education, Mohamad Nasir, towards UGM during the *Student Affairs Awarding Night 2017* on Wednesday (6/12) in Jakarta.

The Director of Student Affairs UGM, Dr. R. Suharyadi, M.Sc., said the award could not be separated from various achievements earned by UGM students. Suharyadi said the students' achievements were made in the non-academic sector that includes competitions, Student Creativity Week, as well as arts and entrepreneurship.

"The award can be achieved if all of us are active not only in one sector such as research but also in other sectors, including arts, entrepreneurship, and so forth," said Suharyadi.

Suharyadi said the students' various achievements could not be separated from the support provided by the university, including funding to encourage their activities. The second support came from



their lecturers and faculties. According to Suharyadi, UGM lecturers have a high dedication and often directly assisted and collaborated with the students.

“If the students and lecturers do not support each other, those targets and achievements would not be earned by UGM,” he added.

Suharyadi hopes the students and lecturers can continue their collaboration in various activities. In addition, the university will keep encouraging the students to be active in conducting positive events. “We proved that UGM deserves to be the best university and continue to develop adequate facilities for the students,” said Suharyadi.

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