

## UGM Increases Cooperation with Akashi College Japan

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UGM has once again signed a memorandum of understanding with National Institute of Technology, Akashi College (NITAC) Japan on Monday (26/3) at UGM Main Office.

The memorandum of understanding marked the continuation of cooperation between the two parties that has last for the past five years.

"In the past 5 years we have seen many useful activities for both institutions. Our students have also established good relations with UGM students," said President of NITAC, Dr. Hideaki Kasai.

Hideaki said one of the most interesting cooperations for students is student exchange where NITAC students had the opportunity to follow courses in several departments at UGM.

"Our students brought positive things from UGM when they returned to Japan. They encouraged more students to participate in similar programme in the future," he added.



He also praised the UGM students that went to NITAC and made many contributions to problem-based learning activities as well as other campus activities.

"We really appreciate what has been done, what is being done and what can be done in the future. We also wish for more UGM students to visit us," said Hideaki.

Appreciation was also extended by Rector of UGM, Prof. Ir. Panut Mulyono, M.Eng., D.Eng, who said that in previous cooperation, both parties had gained positive impacts mutually.

The memorandum of understanding will last for the next five years. He hoped the intensity and variation of cooperation would be increased, including by sending NITAC students through community service programme conducted in various parts of Indonesia.

"Hopefully, there would be more activities in the second phase of agreement that can increase the capacity of our students," said Panut.

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