

Faculty of Pharmacy UGM Holds Alumni and Career Development Center

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Faculty of Pharmacy UGM held the *2018 Alumni and Career Development Center (ACDC)* on Saturday (8/25) at Mandala Bhakti Wanitatama. The event comprises a job fair, talk show, and public speaking training.

Dr. R.R. Endang Lukitaningsih, M.Si., Apt., Pharmacy UGM's Vice Dean for Research, Community Service, and Alumni, stated the event was intended to facilitate the faculty's alumni in entering the professional working world.

She explained many companies had submitted job openings events through faculties. However, the offers came too sudden, so the faculties rejected them because their schedules were full of lectures.

This is what initiated the ACDC. Endang said this year's event was the continuation of last year's successful event. "There were around 1,000 participants last year."

The target of this event is alumni and prospective alumni of UGM Pharmacy profession program who

will enter the working world. Nevertheless, undergraduate students were also allowed to attend the talk show and public speaking training.

“Additionally, the event committee, mostly undergraduate students, can also gain experience as an event organizer.”

However, according to Endang, the event’s main focus was the job fair. She reported there were 18 companies who registered for the job fair.

Most of them were pharmaceutical companies. Several hospitals also participated in the event. “The industry requires plenty of human resources for its dynamic rotation system, where employees are shifted between two or more jobs. This may causes employees to move to other companies.

Therefore, added Endang, the event was not limited to the job fair. The talk show was aimed to give motivation and work tips to alumni, while public speaking training was held to improve the alumni’s interview performance and communication.

Dr. Chairun Wiedyaningsih, M.Kes., M.App.Sc., Apt., event coordinator, explained the ACDC will be held regularly by UGM Faculty of Pharmacy for the alumni and students. “Hopefully, this event can motivate the participants in facing the future.”

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