

57% Job Seekers Fail in Medical Test

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At least 57% of job seekers graduating from higher learning institutions have failed in medical test because of high cholesterol level, heart disease and diabetes mellitus. This was revealed in the Engineering Career Center event (ECC UGM) held at Universitas Gadjah Mada (UGM) from the data in the past three years.

“The majority, 57%, failed in medical test,” the person in charge of the ECC UGM, Nurhadi, S.T., told journalists at the UC Resto, UGM. He gave an example of the recruitment at PT PLN (State-Owned Electricity Company) that there were 34% people suffering from high cholesterol, 10% heart disease, and some others from diabetes. He said that many companies now put job seekers' health condition before psychotest and IQ test. “Ten percents of companies require good GPA, ten percents IQ, whilst the remainder soft skills.” He hoped that this would become the attention of higher learning administrators and parents.

Meanwhile, Chairman of Career Days VI 2010 event, Deka Isnandi, said that the ECC UGM would hold the job opening from 6-7 March at Grha Sabha Pramana free for students. Some 35 multinational companies will participate along with 5 scholarship agencies. “We hope this will attract up to 10,000 job seekers. We have 10,000 members already, 60% from UGM and the rest from outside,” he said.

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