

Dwikorita Karnawati Appointed as Outstanding Head of Study Program


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This female professor is already familiar. During the time she is widely known as an expert as well as observer of land vulnerability due to earthquakes. In fact, it's her who mapped the vulnerability zones of Bantul, which is prone to earthquakes, as well as the intensity level of vulnerability after the earthquake on May 27, 2006. Not so long ago, with her husband, Prof. Ir. Sigit Priyanto, M.Sc., Ph.D., she was appointed as a Professor of Faculty of Engineering, UGM.

Prof. Ir. Dwikorita Karnawati, M.Sc., Ph.D., since 2003 until the upcoming 2011 has been trusted to serve as Head of Geological Engineering Department UGM. Thanks to hard work, accomplishments and support from Geological Engineering academic community, Dwikorita has been named the Second Outstanding Head of Study Program in the 2010 National Academics Achievement Selection recently. "It was not my own efforts, but also the support of all parties, students and employees as well," said Dwikorita, on Tuesday (27/7).

She said the achievement was made possible thanks to students of Geology's successive wins in the Olympics geosciences and lecturers' writings (paper) published in the international journals. "Our lecturers' writings in the international journals, the international indexical publication has reached 3.11," added the lady born on June 6, 1964.

Dwikorita conveyed, the number of lecturers in the Department of Geological Engineering, UGM, has currently reached 35 people. Of that number, each year on average there are two papers submitted in the international journals. In addition, added Dwikorita, the international-class courses that have been started around the year 2003 are quite successful. "Our foreign students in S1, S2 and S3 levels are currently around 50 people, Dwikorita explained. Related to this internationalization, Dwikorita acknowledged that currently the Department of Geology is focusing on internationalization programs in education, research and community service, sustainable geological resource management as well as mitigation of geology hazards based on the local uniqueness.



Dwikorita Karnawati got her S1 degree from UGM, S2 and S3 from Leeds University, United Kingdom. Previously, she had also received several awards including The Young Academic Award, the World Bank (1997) and the Leverhulme Professorship Award, Institute for Advanced Studies, University of Bris (2002). Besides Dwikorita's achievement, in the National Academics Achievement Selection 2010 event, UGM also won the second place in Librarian Outstanding Achievement and the first winner in Laboratory Assistant Outstanding Achievement.

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