

## On Presidential Candidate, UGM Rector: Modesty and Commitment for Nation's Progress

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YOGYAKARTA -Government studies observer who is also Rector of UGM, Prof. Dr. Pratikno, M.Soc.Sc., reiterated that in the Indonesian presidential system, a president has the full authority to make decisions related to national development policy.

Pratikno reminded Indonesian people to exercise their right in the presidential elections in July. "Indonesian people have to make use of this momentum as democracy gives a huge room for the sustainability of this country. If we don't vote, we will throw away the opportunity," said Pratikno during inauguration event of graduate program in Grha Sabha Pramana, Thursday (25/4).

For Pratikno, the next Indonesian President is expected to have good morality, the character

of role model and modesty, as well as commitment. "The leadership and policy breakthroughs made by the new president will seriously implicate the Indonesian people," he said.

Meanwhile, this time UGM inaugurates as many as 1,074 students from the graduate school, consisting of 958 Masters, 80 Specialists, and 36 Doctors. UGM Academic Director, Dr. Agr. Ir. Sri Peni Wastutiningsih, reported the average study time is 2 years and 9 months, Specialist 4 years and 2 months, and S3 4 years and 8 months.

The fastest time of studying is made by Al Jalali Muhammad, (Physics study programme) who finished in 1 year and 4 months. For Specialists, the fastest time of study - 2 years and 4 months - is achieved by Ricky Ferdian Raja (Dental Conservation) while for doctoral level, Dyah Wulan Sumekar Rengganis Wardani from medicinal science finished in 2 years and 5 months.

The youngest graduate from S2 -22 years and 4 months old - is Cindy Novaria Nada Karina (Civil Engineering). The youngest specialist is Ricky Ferdian Raja, 26 years old, while doctoral graduate is Erwan Wahyudi, 35 years old.

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