

UGM the best university in Indonesia

YOGYAKARTA: The "Web of World Universities" ranking charted Gadjah Mada University (UGM) as the best university in Indonesia and the seventh best in Southeast Asia in terms of its cyber presence.

The Spanish-affiliated online website, *webometrics.info*, rates 12,000 universities worldwide based on their electronic publications and various forms of its online academic activities and its contributions to readers.

"We've become the best university in Indonesia last month. It proves that our domain, *ugm.ac.id*, is the most comprehensive academic site in the country," UGM spokesman Suryo Baskoro on Friday.

He said that the university also gained similar recognition last year at the national level, while in the region it has achieved better as the university ranked eight from a total of 100 universities.

The site, which usually releases universities' rankings in January and July, placed local universities among the region's best 100. Other prominent local universities included the University of Indonesia (UI) and the Bandung Institute of Technology (ITB), ranked eighth and 15th respectively. The National University of Singapore is still the best in the region, while the Massachusetts Institute of Technology is considered the best university worldwide. -JP