

Diajeng Dhea Annisa Graduated from UPNVJ with a 3.98 GPA After Commuting for Six Hours a Day

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UPNVJ Public Relations - Diajeng Dhea Annisa Aura Islami's nearly three and a half years of academic experience at the National Development University "Veteran" Jakarta (UPNVJ) wasn't just about pursuing high grades in the classroom. The undergraduate student in the Law Faculty of UPNVJ also had to navigate a daily commute, with a travel time of up to six hours each way. Despite the physical and mental challenges, coupled with the busy campus environment, Diajeng successfully completed her studies with a GPA of 3.98.

For Diajeng, traveling from home to campus is one of the biggest challenges during her education. The long journey often drains her energy and concentration, especially when she has to juggle lectures with academic and organizational activities. "That's probably one of the biggest challenges I've had to face. The round trip can take up to six hours," said Diajeng, who is accustomed to using English on various occasions.

However, this situation didn't dampen his spirits. He chose to gradually build discipline and maintain consistent study habits to keep up with the pace of his studies.

Enjoy the Learning Process

According to Diajeng, the key to maintaining academic achievement is a love of one's field of study. From the beginning of her studies, she has strived to enjoy the learning process at the Faculty of Law, including understanding each course she takes. "I think it's important to enjoy every course and the series of lectures you take," she said.

To maintain a study rhythm, Diajeng makes a habit of planning a daily schedule based on the subjects she's studying. She also frequently reads the material ahead of time before the next semester to gain a stronger understanding.

Reading has become a crucial part of her academic journey. Diajeng regularly purchases law books and aims to read at least 10 pages per day. She strives to complete at least five books in one semester as part of her academic literacy development. "I aim to read at least five books in one semester," she said.

Consistency Starts with Goals

Diajeng said her greatest motivation comes from the dreams she's had since junior high school. These goals serve as a reminder whenever she feels tired or faces challenging situations. "I always remember why I started all this," she said.

For him, consistency doesn't mean endless learning. Instead, it lies in the ability to keep moving, even if slowly, and to not stop when faced with obstacles. "Consistency isn't about endless learning all the time, but about continuing to move, even if slowly," he said.

In addition to her academic activities, Diajeng is also involved in organizations, committees, and various faculty and university activities. These activities have taught her to dynamically manage her priorities according to needs.

Learn to Lower Your Ego

Despite her academic achievements, Diajeng also faces challenges within herself. She admits to having perfectionist tendencies that sometimes lead her to set excessively high standards in various areas.

Over time, he learned to be more realistic in dealing with situations. He said maintaining the best standards is still important, but it must be balanced with the ability to understand one's own limits. "Over time, I've learned to tone down my ego a little and be more realistic in certain situations," he said.

Diajeng believes that maintaining a high GPA isn't just about studying diligently. Furthermore, students also need to maintain a balance between mental strength, physical energy, and emotional stability. "Maintaining a high GPA is also about balancing mental strength, physical energy, and emotional stability," she said.

Family and Environmental Support

Besides personal discipline, Diajeng cited family support as one of the biggest factors in her academic journey. She specifically identified her mother, grandmother, and grandfather as three important figures who have been present throughout every phase of her life. "They are the three main figures who have always been there and supported me through every phase of my life," she said.

The support of friends and lecturers also significantly influenced her achievements. During her studies, Diajeng received numerous opportunities to engage in writing, research, and community service activities in the legal field.

She believes that academic achievement never comes from a single effort. A supportive environment, the guidance of lecturers, and the space for self-development on campus have all shaped her learning process. "Academic achievement is never achieved alone," Diajeng said.

Diajeng advised other students not to underestimate the power of consistency and mindset in their studies. She also emphasized the importance of not comparing one's own journey to others. "Don't compare your journey too often with others, because everyone has their own timeline and struggles," she said.

Diajeng also emphasized that taking a break doesn't mean losing productivity. In the long learning process, taking a break is actually crucial for maintaining business continuity. "Sometimes taking a break is also part of being productive," she concluded.

Diajeng's story illustrates that academic success is not solely determined by intelligence, but also by resilience, discipline, and the ability to maintain balance. For UPNVJ, the achievements of students like Diajeng align with the university's commitment under the leadership of UPNVJ Rector, Prof. Dr. Anter Venus, MA, Comm., to building an educational environment that encourages students to grow as competent, resilient, and characterful individuals.

