

YOU NEWS

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Honors College grows stronger

Oakland University's Honors College, which accepted its first students in the fall of 1977, has started its second year stronger than ever, with support from alumni and an enthusiastic response from students.

"The alumni are obviously very enthusiastic about the existence of the program," says Mel Chemo, director of the college. "Their support indicates a strong confidence in the university; they obviously like the commitment toward academics and their scholarship support is a tribute to their general feeling toward the university."

The Honors College was established last year for highly motivated students who wanted a rigorous and challenging undergraduate education. The college enrolled 36 students its first year, all of whom are required to take specialty designated honors courses and complete other Honors College requirements, including an independent senior project and an oral exam in their major field.

Honors College students can follow a course of study in any one of the university's major colleges or schools. This year marks the first year students have enrolled from the School of Nursing and the School of Education.

Alumni have shown their support of this challenging program through three separate donations. The Alumni Association donated \$500 for the second year in a row to establish a concert-lecture series. Chemo says this money may be used to sponsor a series of dinner meetings for members of the college, followed by a musical or dramatic performance.

Two alumni, Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Judd of Birmingham, donated \$1,000 to the university through the Lyon Foundation, specifying that the money was to maintain and enhance the Honors College. This money might fund a journal or magazine of students' creative writing or research, Chemo says.

And the newly established Alumni Memorial Honor Scholarship was awarded this year to an incoming freshman.

Student response to the program has been just as enthusiastic, Chemo says, with those enrolled last year speaking favorably about their classes and instructors. "The number of students enrolled this year is about the same," Chemo says, "but the quality has gone up noticeably." Twice as many of this year's applicants were high school valedictorians and approximately 80 per cent were in the top eight per cent of college-bound seniors nationwide in their ACT composite scores.

"We're also getting into high schools we didn't get into last year," Chemo noted. "From this point on it's just a matter of our reputation."

This year will mark a turning point for the college, with new problems to be resolved and new developments to be evaluated.

"Our main job last year was seeing that things got off to a good start. We established our priorities, made sure that students were happy in a rigorous but friendly program.

"This year the ground shifts. We've grown. The council (the college's governing body) now includes students and we have a more diversified group of people. Students have a larger choice of classes and it will be harder to maintain that college identity, and identity is a very important part of our program."

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Several changes have been instituted in the university library this fall. For the convenience of users, the following list of changes is being published:

Reference collection storage— Some reference collection items have been relocated to a reference collection storage area located in the university library. Card catalog cards indicate if an item is in reference storage and users have access to these areas during normal service hours. Ask at the reference information desk for assistance.

Reference collection (general)— The entire reference collection was shifted and if you are "location

oriented" will find it necessary to refamiliarize yourself with the collection. With the purchase of a microfiche college catalog collection the entire college catalog collection was significantly expanded and updated. Michigan college catalogs are available in hard copy at the circulation desk. All other college catalogs (U.S. and foreign) are available in microfiche only.

Periodical indexes— Formerly on the third floor, the periodical indexes have been integrated with the other periodical indexes on the main floor. They are still shelved alphabetically by title.

Books and periodicals in storage— Due to space shortage in Kresge Library, some library materials have been stored in North Foundation Hall. The following materials will be held in storage: back volumes of most science journals dating from before 1960; most single volume books that have not been checked out since 1973; and some multi-volume sets that have not been checked out since 1973.

The pre-1960 science journals are already in storage. The books are in the process of being screened, evaluated, and sent to storage in call number sequence, beginning from Z and working backwards.

Materials in storage will continue to be listed in the card catalog and the linedex. A periodically updated list of books in storage will be available at the circulation and reference desks for patron use. Library users should check at the circulation desk if material is not on the shelf. Materials in storage will be available within 24 hours Monday through Friday.

Alphabetical shelving of journals in the Kresge Library—A consolidation of two major journal collections in the university library (Kresge Building) was completed over the summer. The Science and General Periodical collections previously shelved separately have been combined. The new arrangement places periodical titles beginning with 'A' on the first range of shelves on the right as you enter the third floor and proceeds in a clockwise direction in one continuous alphabet. In addition, all of the circulating science books (call numbers Q-Z), previously located on the third floor, have been relocated to the second floor with the rest of the circulating collection. Both moves are expected to facilitate the use of library resources.

Four Industrial leaders have accepted adjunct (special) professorships in the Department of Mathematical Sciences.

George Feeman, department chairperson, said the newly formed advisory committee would use its expertise to assist the students and faculty in a variety of curricular and internship decisions.

Accepting appointments to the committee were Joseph R. Assenzo, research manager, Biostatistics and Information Sciences, the Upjohn Company; David Dahm, director of engineering programming, the Burroughs Corporation; Gary McDonald, assistant department head, Mathematics Department, General Motors Research Laboratories; and Edward F. Moylan, supervisor, Computer Applications Department, Technical Operations, Ford Motor Company.

Feeman said the committee will provide technical assistance in the development of applied mathematics programs at the bachelor's and master's degree levels, be available for occasional seminars, and assist in developing internship positions for selected students, among other duties.

As a supplement to the Single Style Conference held last spring at Oakland University, three new all-day workshops are planned for Saturday, September 30. Held concurrently, single adults may choose to attend one of the following:

"Creating Your Own Future," an interactive workshop on creative problem-solving methods for assessing one's present personal or on-the-job situation and developing an action plan for the future. This workshop is especially valuable for men and women in a supervisory capacity.

"Listening to Yourself," a workshop to learn how to utilize a personal journal or diary to expand self-awareness and creativity by tracing dreams, fantasies, thoughts and events. "Becoming Your Own Person," a guided seminar for working women to assess their strengths and re-evaluate attitudes about women's traditional role in society which may be acting as a barrier to professional growth and advancement.

Held in the Oakland Center Building, each workshop will run from 9:00 a.m. 'til 4:00 p.m. Registrations should be received by September 26 since enrollment is limited. The fee is \$20.00 for each workshop which includes coffee, luncheon, and workshop materials.

For further information, or to receive a brochure, call the Conference Department at Oakland University, 377-3272.

The Meadow Brook Conference on Molecular Mechanism of Steroid Hormone Action was held last September 10-12 in Meadow Brook Hall. It was organized and sponsored by four members of the Oakland University faculty: Arun Roy, Virendra Moudgil and Frank Butterworth of biology and Theodore Landau of psychology. The conference was chosen last spring to be the first of an intended annual Meadow Brook Hall Seminar Series. The conference included 20 speakers, nationally known in the area of hormone research, as well as over 60 other guests. News coverage of the conference was televised on WXYZ-TV.

FOR YOUR INFO

A reception will be held for Pauline Scott from 2-4 p.m. in the Oakland Room of the Oakland Center on Thursday, September 28. Scott, the Oakland University recorder, will be leaving the university October 2.

Theodore Landau, psychology, was the major author of an article recently appearing in the journal **Hormones and Behavior**. The title of the article was "Comparison of the effects of estradiol and the synthetic estrogen, RU-2858, on lordosis behavior in adult female rats and guinea pigs."

Mohammed S. Ghausi, dean of engineering, was named John F. Dodge Professor of Engineering as of August 15. Ghausi was formerly chairman of the electrical and computer engineering department at Wayne State University and head of the Electrical Sciences and Analysis Section, National Science Foundation. He is a fellow of IEEE and a former president of the Circuits and Systems Society.

Virginia E. O'Leary's book **Toward Understanding Women** has received the Association for Women in Psychology Distinguished Publication prize, the first time a textbook has been so honored.

Jesse R. Pitts, sociology/anthropology, presented a paper at the San Francisco meeting of the American Sociological Association on the "Marginality, Structural Differentiation and Professionalisation: Pathology's Past and Family Medicine's Future." The paper was written in collaboration with an Oakland graduate, Preston Schiller.

C.K. Rowland, political science, presented a paper entitled "The Influence of background characteristics on the voting behavior of Federal district judges" at the American Political Science Association annual meeting in New York, August 31-September 3. **Don Scherwin** presented "Groups, institutions, and economic growth" at the same meeting.

Donald Morse, English, was recently appointed to the National Forum on Learning and the American Future, sponsored by the College Board with assistance from the Exxon Education Foundation. The forum will attempt to identify the educational needs of adults during the next two decades.

Esther Goudsmit, biology, has received a third grant of \$34,569 from the National Institutes of Health to study the "Neuro-hormonal control of the Molluscan reproductive cycle." She also published an article entitled "Calcium dependent release of a neurochemical messenger from the brain of the land snail, *Helix pomatia*" in the August 4 issue of **Brain Research**. The research for the article was supported by an NIH grant.

On February 16, 1978, the Oakland University Senate passed legislation prohibiting the adding of a regular course to an existing registration after the end of the fourth week of instruction. This legislation became effective Fall Semester, 1978; consequently, the last date that a student may file an add form with the Registrar's Office is Thursday, September 28, 1978, before 6:30 p.m. Students will not be permitted to add courses after this deadline.

All OU sophomores, juniors, and seniors are eligible to compete for awards of \$200 or less supported by the Oakland University Alumni Association. An application form, signed by the faculty sponsor, must be submitted to the Office of Research Services by 5:00 p.m., October 13, 1978. Forms are available in 212 Varner Hall. For more information, call 377-3222.

JOBS

Clerk, temporary full-time position, Kresge Library Audio-Visual Department.

Microforms and Reference Assistant, CT-3, permanent full-time position, Kresge Library.

Department Secretary, permanent full-time position pending Board of Trustee approval, Center for Health Sciences.

Senior Admissions Clerk, CT-4, permanent full-time position, Office of Admissions.

Technical Department Secretary, CT-4, permanent full-time position, Department of Psychology.

Secretary, CT-5, permanent full-time position, Office of Institutional Research.

Clerical Assistant, CT-6, permanent full-time position, Office of the Registrar.

Graduate Library Assistant, CT-8, permanent full-time position, Kresge Library.

Research Data Analyst, permanent full-time position pending Board of Trustee approval, Center for Health Sciences.

Admissions Advisor, AP-3, permanent full-time position, Office of Admissions.

Assistant Manager, AP-3, permanent full-time position, Bookcenter, Oakland Center.

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CALENDAR

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

- 8:00-5:00 p.m. Bagel Sale, Table #6, OC, 6th Floor Hill
3:00 p.m. OU Women's Tennis vs Henry Ford Comm. College, Tennis Courts
6:30 p.m. AHC Meeting, Van Wagoner Lounge
7:30 p.m. Slavic Folk Ensemble Open Auditions, 136 Vamer Hall
7:30 p.m. Marriage Seminar, St. John Fisher Chapel

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

- 12 nn S.A.B. Hearings for Budget Requests, Meadow Brook Rm. OC
3:30 p.m. OU Soccer vs Toledo, Soccer Fields
7:30 p.m. University Congress Meeting, Lounge II OC

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

- 8:00-5:00 p.m. Bagel Sale, Table #6, OC, Order of Leibowitz
4:00 p.m. OU Cross-Country vs Michigan Christian, Home
7:00 p.m. Ecumenical Worship, St. John Fisher Chapel, Campus Ministry
7:30 p.m. Slavic Folk Ensemble Open Auditions, 136 Vamer Hall

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

- 12nn S.A.B. Hearings for Budget Requests, Meadow Brook Rm. OC
12:30-2:30 p.m. Judo Club Meeting, Wrestling Rm., Sports & Rec. Bldg.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

- 10:00 a.m. OU Cross-Country High School Class A Invitational

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

- 12nn-6:00 p.m. S.A.B. Allocations, Meadow Brook Room, OC
1:00-5:00 p.m. Meadow Brook Hall Tours, Adm. \$2 students, under 12 and over 65; \$3.50 adults
2:00-6:30 p.m. "Return of Realism," opens Meadow Brook Art Gallery
3:00 & Cinematheque presents: Roberto Rossellini's **Open City**, 201
7:00 p.m. Dodge Hall, Adm. \$1 students, \$1.50 general

For news of daily campus events, call the OU Hotline at 377-4650
Calendars are published every Tuesday during the academic year. Event listings should be submitted one week prior to publication at Campus Information, Programs, and Organizations, 49 OC, 7-2020