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For Employees of the College

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PRE-ENGINEERING DEGREE PROGRAM TO START IN FALL

The first six-quarter pre-engineering A.S. degree program at a 2-year college in the state begins this fall at Utah Tech.

Division Chair <u>Davis Ballard</u> says the new program is planned to be fully transferable in Utah to schools offering bachelor degrees in engineering. The course is to encompass all the general education requirements for a B.S. in mechanical, electrical, or structural engineering.

Only 30 first-year students will be admitted in the program each year. The program will be offered in both day and evening, but obvious the evening classes will be spread over a longer period of time. A similar number of students will be accepted for the evening program.

Jay Smith has been designated as principal instructor for the pre-engineering program. However, there are a considerable number of classes in calculus, chemistry, physics, etc., which will be handled through the general education division.

YESTERDAY'S SENATE AGENDA

The monthly College Senate meeting, held August 4, had the following items on its agenda:

- 1. Approve Minutes of July 7 Senate Meeting
- (Discussion) John Klas, president, UTC Institutional Council, to outline the council's work
- (Discussion) Burton Talmage, V.P. for Development, to review his office's work
- 4. (Discussion) Dental Services
- 5. (Discussion) Committee on Committees
- (Discussion) Break Times for College-wide UTC Meetings
- 7. Other.

NOTES FROM THE PLACEMENT OFFICE

- ° A reminder to faculty to encourage students who will be graduating in August to come in and register at the Placement Office located in the student services area of the College Center. The extra few weeks of registering now may prove helpful in assisting them to get suitable employment when they are ready for it.
- We report that, thanks to faculty members who sent students in to register for interviews with National Semiconductor, there was a full slate of candidates who were interviewed on July 28.
- Some job openings are not posted in the usual way. These include information on openings from Salt Lake City Corporation, University of Utah, Salt Lake County, the federal government, etc. Access to this information can be had at the Placement Office, so please ask students to come on over and find out what may be available.

TELECOURSES ARE BEING EXPANDED FOR FALL QUARTER

External Programs' Division Chair <u>Bill Laney</u> says that the division will be offering 6 television courses for credit through this college.

Aired by KUED (channel 7), students may register for credit through any of the higher education institutions participating in the state. However, most students tend to sign up with the college nearest to them.

A college instructor is assigned to assist students in each course. Students watch the segments weekly, fill assignments, read the text. They may contact the local instructor by telephone to clarify concepts. They complete mail-in activities. They come on campus for the initial introduction to the television program, and for examinations or in-person class discussions.

Courses being offered this fall through External Programs are: "The Computer Programme;" "The Business of Management;" "Contemporary Health Issues;" "Personal Finance and Money Management;" "Understanding Human Behavior;" and "Vietnam: a television history."

Orientation for each of these classes is scheduled on campus during the week beginning September 26. Traditionally KUED has repeated each segment of each course a second time during the week it is first televised. The convenience of learning at home is a real plus, together with the opportunity of picking up acceptable college credit through the local granting institution.

More than 800 colleges and universities offer broad-cast courses regularly. While at one time it was commonly thought among many educators that telecommunications technology is a passing fad, it is now patently evident that telecourses are emerging as viable classes. As many as 550,000 students are enrolling in collegelevel telecourses, according to a recent issue of "Community and Junior College Journal."

The Utah System of Higher Education sees use of telecourses as a means of more efficiently providing popular courses throughout the state. Utah Tech plans to play its part in offering college credit for courses appropriate to the mission of the institution.

THE FINE LINE

This is the time of year when we walk a precarious line between not having sufficient students, and accepting too many.

That trauma is being felt as some departments fear low enrollments in some areas, while others are frantic they will have to turn away scores of applicants.

Judd Morgan says the best advice to give people who may express to you their interest in going to school is to have them call student services immediately and find out whether there is still space available in the programs in which they would like to register.

CO-OP ED. ADDS COORDINATOR

Assistant to the vice president for Instruction, Dr. Robert Beebe, notes that Mrs. Gylene Davis has been appointed coordinator, cooperative education.

Gylene will work closely with Co-op Ed Director Jim Godfrey. Jim says the new coordinator's responsibilities will include - but not be limited to - co-op students in the school of business.

Mrs. Davis comes to the college from Utah Job Service where she has been a job placement specialist. She has a Master's degree in social work from the University of Utah. For 4 years up to 1979 she was director of cooperative education at Westminster College.

Jim Godfrey sees the cooperative education department at Utah Tech expanding rapidly during the next few years "...especially if we are fortunate enough to be awarded the substantial grant we shall be aggressively going after in the next few months." Preliminary meetings have already been held to consider the advisability of pursuing the federal grant, and the decision has been made to seek it.

Currently about 300 students are enrolled in the co-op program during the year: director Godfrey sees that possibly expanding to 1,000 students by 1987.

A joint leaflet promoting cooperative education, the college's placement office, and the school of external programs and continuing education, is being considered for wide distribution to companies along the Wasatch Front. Jim Godfrey says the "softening up process of getting managers familiar with the advantages of co-op education is one of the time-consuming responsibilities we have at present."

CRAIG FORMAN OFFERS BASEBALL TICKETS

A limited number of exchange tickets have been made available for Salt Lake Gulls games, according to Craig Forman, intramural and recreation coordinator.

The tickets may be obtained from Craig (ext. 4078), whose office is located in the Women's Resource Center of the College Center. There is no charge. Tickets then are presented to the Gulls box-office, where they are exchanged for that night's game tickets.

BEAUTIFICATION STILL GOING ON

Although the berm in front of the Administration Building has not yet been completed, at least the bricking in of the area surrounding the electronic message center is finished. All that awaits that part of the total project are benches. The improvement has been commented upon by many students.

FORMER STUDENT BODY OFFICER RETURNS AS INTERN

Susan Zimmerman, student body vice-president in the 1978-79 school year, is acting as an intern in the Math Lab this summer on the Redwood Road campus. She anticipates graduation from Westminster College with a Math degree and teaching certificate. She is in the lab 4 hours a day.

GROUP RIVER TRIP PROPOSED

A recent memo from Craig Forman announced proposal of a group river trip for faculty, staff, students and their families.

Tentative dates would be August 25-28. One, two, or three-day trips are available at reasonable cost per person. Call Craig immediately if you have interest.

SKILLS CENTER SADDENED BY DEATH OF JERRY GRAHAM

The death last month of Jerry Graham, assessment counselor at the Skills Center, came as a distinct blow to all his colleagues.

Jerry, 41, was in Montana scuba diving. Reportedly he suffered a fatal heart attack while participating in an under-water search with local enforcement officials for stolen coins.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR APPOINTED

Dean of Students <u>Judd Morgan</u> announces appointment of Gerard F. "Jerry" <u>Urlacher</u> as new coordinator of student activities, effective August 8.

For the past 5 years Jerry has been assistant director of student activities at Utah State University in Logan.

A veteran of the Vietnam campaign, he earned a B.S. degree from U.S.U. in 1978.

In his new position Jerry will work with students in planning a balanced co-curricular program encompassing cultural, educational, social and recreational activities for the Utah Tech studentbody. He will also advise on student government affairs.

Jerry Urlacher is recipient of a number of honors and awards, including being named among the Outstanding Young Men of America for both 1981 and 1982.

PERSONNEL LINES...

...Carole (Office Administration assistant) and husband John Larson (Heavy Duty Mechanics instructor) recently have become proud grandparents of a baby boy, Derek Ronald Lucero. ...School of Business instructor Maureen Aylett recently spent an exciting weekend in Sun Valley. She's now in pursuit of a hot tub of her own. ...Stan Hoffman has founded and organized a citizen's group designed to provide an opportunity to review and have input into the operations and functions of local law enforcement agencies. Called the Citizens Council On Police Standards (C-COPS), the group has an attorney to assist with legal matters encountered by the group. ...External Programs and Continuing Education dean, Geoff Brugger, has been elected chair for the deans Instructional Council for this year.