

## Marine Biology Program Ranked 8th in Nation

UNCW's marine biology program is ranked eighth nationally among 115 colleges and universities granting a degree in marine biology. UNCW's program received a score of 4.48 on a 5.0 scale. The Gourman Report, which evaluates the quality of undergraduate education at U.S. and international institutions of higher education, compiled the rankings.

UNCW's marine biology program was the only one in North Carolina in the top nine. (Only nine were listed.) Massachusetts Institute of Technology was first, the University of Michigan (Ann Arbor) was second, and the University of California, Santa Barbara was third.

Dr. William H. Wagoner, UNCW chancellor, noted that even though the institution is only 36 years old, it is now recognized "nationally and internationally as a beacon in basic research in the natural sciences."

"This is also one of only five universities singled out by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to operate its National Undersea



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Dr. Armando de la Cruz, Distinguished Visiting Professor, works "in the field."

Research programs, making use of the research vessel *Seahawk*. And the research being done by the university's Institute for Marine Biomedical Research at Lake Baikal in Siberia, the South American Andes and Antarctica is internationally respected," Wagoner continued.

According to the Gourman Report, the evaluation criteria examine the total pattern of the institution as well as such factors as faculty members' qualifications, experience, intellectual interests, attainments, and professional productivity; standards and quality of instruction; faculty research; scholastic work of students; curriculum; records of graduates both in graduate study and in practice; and attitude and policy of the administration.

Chancellor Wagoner predicted that UNCW's marine science program will continue to grow in prestige and offerings in major areas of study. Currently, UNCW is planning a master of science degree in geology with emphasis on marine geology.

In addition to a bachelor of science degree with a concentration in marine biology, UNCW offers a graduate program leading to the master of science degree in marine biology with three areas of specialization: marine biology, biological oceanography and coastal biology. UNCW faculty members who teach marine science may participate in the Marine Science Research Program, which covers research interests in areas such as marine biology, physical and chemical oceanography, marine geology and marine biogeography.

Clearly, UNC by the sea is taking full advantage of its close neighbor, the Atlantic Ocean!



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The UNCW Student Alumni Ambassadors keep a high profile during functions at which they help. Their bright green jackets identify them on the spot, and their willingness to help out is just as obvious. Here, Ambassador Ivan Mack helps a woman find her way in the University Union. Ivan is also commander of the ROTC unit at UNCW.

## UNCW Has Come a Long Way: 25% Are Now Resident Students

Residence life was not discussed much when UNCW first began as Wilmington College. The college was a commuter school and did not have any residence halls. Even when the college moved to its current location, no dorms were built. In 1969 there was no place for students to live on campus. Most lived close enough to campus to commute every day.

But things have changed in the past 15 years.

UNCW now has four residence halls and 13 apartments housing 1,400 students. Plans are in the works for another residence hall with 160 spaces to open by the 1985 fall semester. The long-range plan, according to Dr. Jairy C. Hunter, Jr., vice chancellor for business affairs and development, calls for three more student residences so that UNCW can house a total of 2,000 students on campus, possibly as early as 1990.

With this growth, the university has not been idle. A division of student affairs was formed, now headed by the vice chancellor for student affairs, Dr. William A. Bryan. The dean of students supervises the residence life staff, with the coordinator of residence life directing the day-to-day operations of the halls and apartments.

The residence life staff at UNCW consists of the coordinator of residence life and—beginning next year—two area coordinators. These three supervise the resident assistants and resident directors, all of whom are students attending UNCW. This staff does much more than simply make sure that students have a warm, dry place to sleep. There is a constant stream of educational and social programs in the residence halls—for resident students only—that are put together by the RAs and RDs, with the help of the residence life staff. Recent programs include ones on health, self defense, auto mechanics, money management, rape awareness, time management, study skills, and drug and alcohol awareness. Social programs have included "The Dating Game," Super Bowl Sunday, movies, and, most recently, a Valentine's Day dance. Residence life has a videocassette recorder, and, according to Margaret Taylor, coordinator of residence life, one of the biggest hits with students is the Friday/Saturday night movie. All of these activities are free for students who live in the residence halls or apartments on campus. All they pay is an op-

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## UNCW ESTABLISHES TRADITION WITH FIVE LANDMARKS

The line drawing below shows what the major landmark on the UNCW campus will look like when completed. The Board of Trustees agreed unanimously at a March meeting to adopt the plan presented by Samuel Bissette, chairman of the landmark committee. The university will have five original and distinct landmarks on various parts of the campus. The main one will be in the University Commons north of the University Union. It will consist of a large map of the Cape Fear region, made of inlaid marble and granite. All water areas on the map would actually have water in them, which would flow into a small waterfall into a ¾ circle reflecting pool. On two sides of this map (which people will be able to walk on for a close-up look) will be a series of brick arches 20 feet high and 80 feet long, as well as about six vertical marble or granite monoliths, engraved with the historical highlights of the Lower Cape Fear area.

A second landmark will be in the traffic circle on campus between College Road and Hoggard Hall—a tall, nautical-style flagpole with the U.S. and N.C. flags, as well as a UNCW banner to be designed.

A third landmark will be in the area now occupied by

the cannon and flagpole between Hinton James Hall and Alderman Hall. The committee left the design open, saying only that it be an "idealistic and aesthetic type . . . of original design." As an example, Bissette said there could be a statue of a young boy and girl with the words "Faith in God," "Faith in Each Other," "Faith in the Future," engraved on marble beneath them.

The fourth idea is a large metal sculpture of the UNCW Seahawk in the area outside the front entrance of Trask Coliseum.

The fifth landmark will be a large gazebo near the University Union on the west side. This gazebo would be large enough for a 30-piece band, to give an idea of the size. It would serve as a meeting place on campus, as well as a place for performances of various groups.

These five landmarks represent a coordinated plan that will complement the campus, coordinate well with the proposed UNCW Campus plan, and do much to "dress up" the campus.

Anyone interested in knowing more about the landmarks is welcome to call or write the public information office.

