

Make your own class

by Dwight Ferguson
Staff Writer

"Mediterranean Studies," "Psychology of Visual Art" and "Children's Literature" are just a few fields students in the Interdisciplinary Studies program are studying. Lewis Lipsitz, assistant dean for experimental and special studies, said Wednesday.

The 95 students taking part in the program this year can use it to academically pursue any interest by creating a new field of study, Lipsitz said.

To enter the program students must submit an application at least three

semesters before they graduate.

The first step in setting up an interdisciplinary major is to design a 60 semester-hour course of study with the help of a full-time faculty member. Once Lipsitz has approved the course of study, the student is on his way. Alterations in the original plan can be made easily, Lipsitz said.

Each student in the program must plan to take at least 18 hours of courses in his area of concentration. These courses must be taken in at least two departments.

Also, at least 30 hours of elective courses must be chosen from departments other than those of the student's area of concentration. No more than 20 hours can be taken in one department.

General College requirements are the same for students in the Interdisciplinary Studies program as for all other students.

Each student's program is directed by his faculty advisers (usually the person who helped him design the course of study) and Lipsitz. A degree with honors or highest honors may be received by working through a regular departmental honors program or by writing an approved interdisciplinary thesis, Lipsitz said.

The Interdisciplinary Studies program has grown to 95 students from 70 last year. "I think the increase can be accounted for because the program has become better known," Lipsitz said.

Students also have more choices for interdisciplinary areas of study, Lipsitz said. "The Interdisciplinary Studies program is a natural way-station on the way to creating a new curriculum."

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Students and members of the University of Chapel Hill communities are being asked to fast today in order to raise money and concern for world hunger relief.

The request to fast is being made by OXFAM-AMERICA, an international hunger relief organization, and is being locally coordinated by the YM-YWCA.

OXFAM is asking that money normally spent for food be donated to fight hunger. Half the funds collected will go to OXFAM, and the remainder will be donated to the local Inter-Church Council for hunger relief in this area.

The fast began at 6 p.m. Wednesday and will continue until 6 p.m. today. Donations will be collected at tables around campus from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., in dormitories from 4 to 6 p.m. and at tables on Franklin Street, University Mall and the Community Church all day.

A "Third World Supper," consisting of beans, rice and tea will be served as a breakfast at 8 p.m. Thursday in the Wesley Foundation. Two films on the topic of world hunger will also be shown — *The Triumph of Tradition and A Third World Meal*.

briefs

From the wires of United Press International

RALEIGH—Joan Little, the young black woman acquitted of murdering a white jailer she claimed sexually attacked her, lost an appeal Wednesday of the burglary conviction on which she was being held at the time of the slaying.

A three-judge panel of the North Carolina Court of Appeals found no error in the breaking and entering trial that resulted in her being sentenced to 7-to-10 years in prison. She escaped from the Beaufort County Jail following the fatal stabbing of jailer Clarence Allgood, but later turned herself in.

Miss Little, a 21-year former construction worker is on a national speaking tour and could not be reached for comment on the appeals court decision. She will remain free on bond as long as the case is under appeal.

Jerry Paul, Miss Little's chief attorney, had earlier said he would appeal an adverse ruling. He told reporters Wednesday in Cincinnati, where he was appearing before a university group, that he was not surprised by the court's action.

"We expected the Court of Appeals to rule the way it did because of the way it has ruled in the past," Paul said. "In the past 15 years,

Joan Little denied appeal of '74 burglary conviction

the Court of Appeals has never ruled in favor of civil rights or blacks in one of these cases."

Miss Little was convicted of breaking into a house and two trailers near her native Washington, N.C.

Her 19-year-old brother, Jerome, was also accused of breaking and entering and larceny at the trial in June, 1974. But he changed his plea from innocent of that charge to guilty of receiving stolen goods and testified against her.

Miss Little testified that she had not been in the vicinity of the residences, but after her conviction she took the stand again in an apparent move to get a lighter sentence and confessed to all of the break-ins.

Her attorneys argued before the Court of Appeals in September, following her acquittal of the murder charge, that prejudicial testimony and evidence was permitted during the trial.

But Chief Appeals Court Judge Walter Brock, with Judges Earl W. Vaughn and Edward B. Clark concurring, said, "We find no prejudicial error in the trial."

Wednesday he would wait and see what the New York state legislature does to help New York City and then decide whether he can support any bill to keep the city solvent.

Ford threatened to veto the bill pending in the House to provide \$3 billion in federal loan guarantees to avert the largest municipal bankruptcy in U.S. history. But for the first time he said he might find federal help for the city "appropriate."

The House Democratic leadership immediately — and for the third consecutive day — canceled debate on the bill. Leaders acknowledged the cause was hopeless without Ford's support. They postponed further consideration of the measure until after Congress returns Dec. 1 from its Thanksgiving recess.

"We would have been clobbered clobbered," if the bill had been pushed to a vote, said House Republican Leader John J. Rhodes of Arizona, a conservative who helped draft the rescue measure.

Thurston: minority rights negated

by Jane Mosher
Staff Writer

The lack of government planning is threatening to negate rights won by minorities in the 1960's, particularly in the area of housing. National Housing Director William Thurston said in a speech before the Black Student Movement Tuesday night.

Speaking for a national organization for social change, People United to Save Humanity (PUSH), Thurston said the housing problems facing minorities now are the result of the national and world economic situation.

He said the national economy is being

upset by the continuing power struggle between large corporations and labor groups. "Various monopolistic corporations are moving to control the country," he said.

Also world and national economic crises are partially a result of constant friction between the masses in the underdeveloped Third World nations and the rich nations who are trying to control them, Thurston said.

PUSH has outlined definite steps that the government could take to end minority housing problems, he said. First, changes should be made in the regulations for the Federal Housing Administration's (FHA) payback program, he said.

Under this program, up to \$5,000 is given for housing repairs to homeowners who purchased their houses with FHA loans during a specified period.

The problem with the regulations, Thurston explained, is that many homeowners who did not buy their homes during the specified period do not have funding. PUSH advocates extending the specified time to qualify more minority homeowners for the funds.

In addition to changing payback regulations, President Ford should release funds that would give homeowners an extra \$250 per month to be used for house payments, Thurston said. But Ford has refused to release these funds until the national foreclosure rate rises, he said.

Blacks must "revitalize social consciousness to protect economic and political gains," Thurston said, describing the goals of PUSH.

Thurston called for direct public action to

Job interviews

The following organizations will be recruiting on campus the weeks of Nov. 25- Dec. 4 at the Career Planning and Placement Office, 211 Hanes Hall.

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Tuesday, Dec. 2
Central Intelligence Agency
Wednesday, Dec. 3
Prudential Insurance Co. of America
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Comtek Research

Information and assistance pertaining to summer and full-time employers not represented by on-campus visits is available at 211 Hanes Hall.

Pre-med service available

The College of Arts and Sciences and the General College have initiated a service to advise pre-medical and pre-dental students concerning curriculum, admissions requirements and application procedures for medical and dental schools.

Chemistry professor Dr. Paul Kropp has been appointed coordinator of the service, which is located in 311 South Building. Open daily, the service has been operating approximately two weeks.

The objective of the advisory service is "to assist students in choosing medicine or dentistry as a goal, assist them in appropriate curriculum and assist them in the application process," Kropp said.

The advisory service was formed because some University deans saw a need for special assistance for pre-medical and pre-dental students, Kropp said.

Dean of Student Affairs Donald Boulton said the service was needed because, "for the past three years, 50 per cent of the freshman classes have said at that point that their goal was medical or dental school."

The increased number of students applying to medical and dental schools has created a need for students to be better acquainted with their prospective fields of study, Boulton said.

General College and Arts and Sciences advisers don't have the specialized knowledge needed to help students in pre-medical and pre-dental programs, Kropp said, adding that the assistance is to supplement the academic advisors.

Others participating in the advisory service are June Alcott, a vocational counselor from the Guidance and Testing

Center, Richard Blackwell, a graduate student in education who is working as an intern with the advisory service; and Chuck Simonton, a senior pre-medical student and president of Alpha Epsilon Delta (the pre-medical and pre-dental honor society).

AED members have aided in organizing materials for the advisory service office. They are also investigating the possibility of committee reports replacing individual reports for student recommendations and preparing a booklet of academic advice for pre-medical and pre-dental students.

Registration for the advisory service was held during pre-registration, but Kropp asked students who did not register then to do so at the service office.

— Jan Hodges

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Hobgood to speak

Hamilton H. Hobgood, presiding judge at the Joan Little trial, will speak on minority rights at 8 p.m. today in the Dialectic and Philanthropic Chamber in New West.

Hobgood, 64, has served 20 years on the North Carolina Superior Court.

He is best-known for his handling of the trial of Little, a 21-year-old black woman who was indicted for the stabbing death of white Beaufort County jailer Clarence Allgood. Little was acquitted of all charges Aug. 15.

Some of the controversy surrounding Hobgood concerns his decision to reduce the charge against Little from first-degree murder to second-degree murder because he said he believed the state prosecution had failed to prove premeditated murder. In addition, he would not admit some certain evidence for the prosecution.

Hobgood also cited defense attorney Jerry Paul for contempt after Paul said during jury selection that Hobgood was biased against the defendant.

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