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3,200 expected

## Freshman enrollment is lower this year

By David Thompson

Approximately 3,200 freshmen are expected to enter UNC this fall, University officials said. The number represents a decrease of more than 250 from the 1979 freshmen class.

## Tickets voided for early July

If you were ticketed for parking without a 1980-1981 UNC parking sticker between July 1 and July 11, don't worry about it.

Melba Hill, violation coordinator for the UNC traffic office, said that all parking tickets issued for no permit or no valid permit between those days are being voided. If you have already paid the \$20 fine, you may receive a refund by appealing it, she said.

The 1980-1981 parking stickers were required for vehicles parked on the campus beginning July 1. In the past, warning citations were issued for the first week.

"We found out that this year they were citing people," Charles Antle, assistant vice chancellor said. Some cars were ticketed with violations and some with warning citations, depending on the lot, he said.

All citations which are outstanding in the traffic office files are being voided. "The decision was made to be even-handed about this," he said.

During the first 11 days of July, more than 2,000 parking tickets were issued for a variety of violations, Antle said.

And everyone also will make sure this doesn't happen again next year, he said.

—Bill Peschel

An exact figure will not be available until late September. "It's tough at this time to figure (the number) because we know they all won't show up," said Tim Sanford of the UNC registrar's office.

UNC operates on a state-set enrollment budget which requires a certain enrollment, said Claiborne Jones, executive assistant to the chancellor. "More students are admitted to allow for those who decide not to enter UNC."

The 1980 freshmen should not have as much trouble as last year's in obtaining desired classes during registration, said Ina Darden of the registration office. "Students

take basically the same classes—at least it seems that way," she said.

Darden said that foreign languages, English and beginning chemistry were among the common courses for freshmen.

Last year the English department opened more English I classes after many freshmen complained of not obtaining the necessary courses.

Pulling class tickets for the newcomers began Wednesday. This, however does not mean a freshman is preregistered for classes. They will meet with their appointed advisers during Orientation Week, Aug. 18-25 before registration.

Housing is another potential problem. Last year, 556 students were tripled when school began. Some students remained in this situation until second semester.

Although some tripling can be expected, the number should be much smaller this year, said Russell Perry, UNC associate director for housing operations. "More people always show up on the first day than we have given space," he said.

Study lounges will be used first as extra rooms, Perry said. Their use will depend on room sizes, which rooms have carpet, study desks and other factors. Areas of the campus will not be determining factors, Perry said.

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