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GWU to break enrollment record

by Karen Brower
co-editor

Gardner-Webb will have another record-breaking enrollment next fall, following a trend set for the past three years, said John Brock, vice president for marketing.

Fall 1996 total enrollment hit an all-time high at 2,768 students, with Spring 1997 enrollment just behind it. Fall 1996 enrollment was 10 percent higher than any other in the past.

"Our growth has been across the board," Brock said. The GOAL program reached record enrollment at 968, and will climb to over 1,000 this fall.

Admissions goals for the fall include recruiting over 600 first-time undergraduate admissions, Director of Admissions Ray Hardee said. The most highly recruited states include North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia, followed by Georgia, Florida, Tennessee and Maryland.

Total enrollment is expected to grow to over 3,000 by this fall, making for a 30 percent increase over the past three years,

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Admissions Counselor Brant Reeves speaks with a prospective GWU student at a Presidential Scholarship Luncheon on February 6.

(Photo by Karen Brower)

Gardner-Webb to add weekday visitation

by Nic Floyd
staff writer

A trial run of weekday visitation might be tested by the end of February and continue through the rest of the semester, according to Dean of Student Development Bruce Moore.

"The Board of Trustees has given us permission to play with the visitation policy," said Moore. Under Moore's proposal, students will be given visitation Monday through Thursday from 3-10 p.m. In addition to increasing visitation, Moore wants to do away with the six-inch rule which requires students to leave their door open six inches when they have a visitor of the opposite sex.

"With more freedom comes more responsibility," Moore said. If they want to visit a member of the opposite sex, students will have to sign in and leave their ID with a Residence Hall Council member. If a council member is not on duty, then that dorm will not have visitation, said Moore.

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Registration process to be simplified

by Julie Gibson
staff writer

Starting this semester Gardner-Webb has a new procedure that will allow students to get advised and registered in one step.

The first thing students need to do is make an appointment with their advisors by following the schedule below, according to the Registrar's Office. The adviser will call the registrar after the student has been advised, and the schedule will be entered in the computer.

Dean of Advising and Registration Melvin Lutz urges students to have an alternative schedule in case some classes are full.

The drop/add period has also changed. The period begins on Monday, July 7, and goes through Thursday, Aug. 7. If students want to drop/add classes, they can call the Registrar during the above dates and

drop/add by phone.

Students must clear the Business Office before calling in a drop/add. Satisfactory financial arrangements must also be made by Aug. 1 to secure fall registration schedules, Dean Lutz said.

When students return from summer break all they will need to do is check in. They will receive a packet which will include their schedule. They must make sure everything is in order, Registrar Stephen Sain said.

The registration schedule for the fall semester is as follows.

Class	Date to phone in
Seniors	March 18-21
Juniors	March 24-27
Sophomores	March 28, April 1-4, 7
Freshmen	April 8-11, 14-17

The new registration procedure is "a step in the direction of an automated service and it is a significant step in the right direction," Lutz said.