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A New Director

Mrs. Sandra Sosnik is the university's director of cooperative education. The purpose of the program is to provide students with practical experience in the fields that they study.

By Michael Hampton

Students may now receive on-the-job training while attending college. This is made possible through the university's cooperative education program (co-op)

which is headed by Mrs. Sandra Sosnik. The program combines on-the-job training with college academic study and is open to all students.

"Local and out of town businesses strongly endorse cooperative education," says Mrs. Sosnik, "we're very excited about the program." Students

are exposed to different settings in a particular occupation and get the feel of what it's really like outside of the classroom.

The university program is federally funded and is set up under two plans:

the alternating plan, which allows students to work full time one semester

and attend class the next semester. The other is called the parallel plan, in which students work part-time and attend classes part time.

Students in the cooperative education program receive college credit and are paid while they train. Several hundred applications have been picked up by students but as of yet have not been returned, said Mrs. Sosnik.

Companies that participate in the co-op program often employ the students they train, "Not only do the students gain valuable experience but get their foot in the door" says Mrs. Sosnik who has recently started her first semester here at Winston-Salem State. She had previously been employed with the Winston-Salem Urban League.

Mrs. Sosnik also stressed the point that students should not wait until their senior year to get involved but should start as early as their freshman year. Although there are no prerequisites to enter the program, grade point averages are important when being considered for permanent employment by a company. All interested students should go to Mrs. Sosnik's office located in Coltrane Hall room 115.

Organization Notes

The Winston-Salem State University Rho Chi Chapter of the history honorary society, Phi Alpha Theta, has initiated four new members. They are: Eleanor B. Atkins, Mazie D. Bumgarner, Linda H. Gilbert and Ruth H. Watkins.

The Winston-Salem State University Carolina Tau Chapter of the social science honorary society, Pi Gamma Mu, initiated two new members. They are: Linda H. Gilbert and Tonie D. Moore. Other members are: Beverly Newton, president; Jerry Ray, vic-president; Sheila Woodard, secretary-treasurer; and Johnnie Pearson.

The Winston-Salem Alumnae and Gamma Phi Chapters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority will jointly sponsor a Founder's Day program Sunday, Feb. 15 at 3 p.m. in the Kenneth R. Williams Auditorium. Mona Bailey, the sorority's national

president will be the featured speaker. This program will kick-off a week of events - "Founder's Week" - that will be held on campus by the Gamma Phi Chapter-campus sorority.

The events are as follows: Monday, Feb. 16-Blood Pressure Testing; Tuesday, Feb. 17-Sickle Cell Testing; Wednesday, Feb. 18-Seminar on Toxic Shock Syndrome, wearing of sorority colors and disco at Mr. J's beginning at 10 p.m.; Thursday, Feb. 19-Seminar on Cancer and step show; Saturday, Feb. 21-"Night of Elegance"-place and time not yet determined.

All of the seminars will be held in M.M. Hauser Student Union at a time to be announced. All events except the disco are free of charge. The disco will cost \$2.

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