

Revised curriculum enhances Phys. Ed. Dept

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The years of Physical Education being considered the "easy" major are over. At least that will be the case at Winston-Salem State University according to Carolyn Berry, chairman of the P.E. Dept.

"The curriculum has been totally revised and its high time students recognize the advantages that go along with being a P.E. major at WSSU," said Berry.

The advantages Berry is referring to comes in a variety of ways. One of the varieties include the quality of concentrations within the P.E. major. These concentrations include Therapeutic Recreation in which Cynthia Stanley is the coordinator. The other two concentrations are Sports Management and Physical Education. Dr. Dennis Felder and Dr. Mary Clancy are the respective

coordinators for those programs. The three coordinators also head advising. All are very well educated individuals with impeccable credentials ready to handle the task at hand.

Perhaps, with the revision of the curriculum, the biggest advantage of having P.E. as a major now is disburdening yourself from the stereotype that goes along with it. Physical Education as the "easy way out" is no longer the case stated Berry. "15 hours of science along with First Aid are now a requirement for graduation," she added. "Furthermore, any course that you did not pass in your freshman year, you must take a competency test in during your sophomore year."

What are P.E.'s advantages? Just ask individuals like Sandra Heartley, Michelle

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Dr. Berry (far left), chairman of the Physical Education Dept. feels that the revised curriculum provides majors with numerous advantages in perparing for a career after college.

Sex on Campus topic elicits many opinions at Student Talk show

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"AIDS is here, it's now, and it's killing", said Don, an African-American male who has AIDS.

"Think about the best [sex] you've ever had, is it worth dying for?"

Don was one of several guest panelist on at the Nov. 29th special edition of Student Talk, Winston-Salem State University's student talk show.

The subject of the show was "Sex On Campus". The host, Guy Parks, led an open discussion of the sexual practices of today's college students.

Other panel guests included Panzy Kenan from Special Women In Christ (SWIC); Gerald Vincent, an advocate of safe, casual sex; Jonathan Smith, a residence advisor at Brown Hall; and Cathy Martin, HIV coordinator at Baptist Hospital.

During the program several issues dealing with sex were discussed. The audience as well as the panelist had varying opinions. When discussing sexual behavior and practices, Smith stated that when it came to sex, most of the guys who live at his dormitory, have a "Get It, Get It" attitude.

Vincent feels that casual sex was o.k., as long as the individuals practiced safe sex. However, Panzy Kenan asserts that it is wrong to have more than one sexual partner, or to have sex out of wedlock.

In an effort to illustrate the dominance of sex in videos, a segment from Gerald Austin's "Slow Motion" video was shown. In addition, Parks read the results of a survey that dealt with the sexual practices of men and women on the Winston-Salem State campus.

Throughout the program the topic of AIDS was discusses. Martin talked in great detail about the tremendous

risks that are involved when practicing unsafe sex.

"Think about the best [sex] you've ever had, is it worth dying for?" she asked.

According to Martin, over 1600 people have been diagnosed with full blown AIDS in North Carolina. "We have 50 people who are testing HIV positive every week in North Carolina," explained Martin. For people who had never had sexual intercourse, or who were not doing drugs, Martin encouraged them to continue. But for those who were sexually active, she said that it was essential that they practice safe sex and to stick with one sex partner.

During the course of the program, nothing could give the audience a more realistic view of the dangers of unsafe sex than Don.

By merely looking at him, no one would guess in a million years that this man was a PWA (Person With AIDS). Don was diagnosed with the AIDS virus four years ago. He spoke of his struggles and triumphs in his life since being diagnosed with AIDS. "When I was first diagnosed with AIDS, I cried, and then I prayed all night", he said. "From then on, I knew which direction I was headed in."

After being diagnosed with AIDS, Don put his complete faith in God and started to live. He wanted to know everything about the disease. Don has turned the stumbling blocks in his life into stepping stones. He encouraged the audience to "Get Busy", and learn all there is to know about the disease.

If there is anyone it the Winston-Salem area who thinks that he or she might be HIV positive and needs to be tested, he or she can be tested anonymously at Baptist Hospital, Forsyth Hospital, the Forsyth County Health Dept., and at Winston-Salem State University.

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