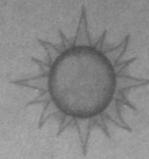


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## Graduate Schools Keep High Marks

BY ALEX KAPLUN AND ALEXANDRA MOLAIRE Senior Writers

U.S. News & World Report's annual graduate school rankings are hitting bookshelves nationwide today.

And while college administrators continue to downplay their importance and accuracy, they admit that the rankings do carry some weight with potential students. "Carolina's primary goal remains becoming America's best public university, not winning a rankings race devised by a magazine," UNC Chancellor James Moeser wrote in a statement released Friday.

But when campus administrators open this year's rankings, they will find

that UNC graduate schools and programs ranked by the magazine remained almost identical to last year's results.

Several of the programs, including the School of Law, the School of Education, and the Research area within the School of Medicine each fell one spot in the rankings to 23rd, 18th and 24th, respectively. Kenan-Flagler Business School remained at No. 18 in the rankings, while the Primary Care area of the School of Medicine went up two spots to No. 6 on the list.

Medical school Dean Jeffrey Houpt said that while the rankings might not be completely accurate, they do have an impact on people outside of the school. "The rankings become important because prospective students believe

them," Houpt said.

He also pointed out that UNC's medical school was one of the few schools nationwide that performed well in both the research and primary care categories.

Several UNC doctoral programs also placed high in the rankings, including public affairs, which moved up two spots to No. 12; chemistry, which stayed at No. 15; computer science, which remained at No. 21; English, which fell one spot to No. 18; history, which went up one spot to No. 13; political science, which fell five spots to No. 15; psychology which went up one spot to No. 17; and sociology, which went down one spot to No. 5.

Many doctoral programs covering the arts, sciences, social sciences are ranked only every three years and are not included in this year's edition.

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Within the doctoral programs, administrators also said that while it is nice to be recognized, the rankings are more important to potential students than officials within the department.

"We certainly pay attention to (the rankings)," said Michael Crimmins, vice chairman of graduate studies for the Department of Chemistry. "It's not something that is incredibly important, but people outside the school certainly pay attention to them."

Crimmins also said that while the rankings have little impact on research grants given to the department because those are usually given to individuals,

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### Ranking High

U.S. News & World Report released its annual rankings of national graduate schools today. UNC continues to place high among comparable institutions and programs.

#### Business

1. Stanford University
2. Harvard University
3. Northwestern University
18. University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill

#### Law

1. Yale University
2. Stanford University
3. Harvard University
23. University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill

#### Medicine — Research

1. Harvard University
2. Johns Hopkins University
3. Duke University
24. University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill

SOURCE: U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT

#### Education

1. Harvard University
2. Stanford University
3. Teachers College, Columbia University
18. University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill

#### Medicine — Primary Care

1. University of Washington
2. Oregon Health Sciences University
3. University of New Mexico
6. University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill

#### Other Ranking Programs

- Sociology (5th)
- Public Affairs (12th)
- Chemistry (15th)
- Computer Science (21st)



Dancers donning strawhats perform the merengue at the 10th annual Noche Latina (above). Barbara Pacheco and her students dance the flamenco at the sold-out event (below).

DTH/MIKE MESSIER

## Noche Latina Celebrates 10th Anniversary

BY ANN HAU Staff Writer

An impassioned flamenco dancer whirls and steps with intricate footwork to the rhythm of a Spanish guitar.

An entranced audience claps, providing the beat for the powerful and fluid movements of a Brazilian martial arts performance.

These were just two of many demonstrations of Latin American culture that entertained nearly 300 people Saturday night at UNC's 10th annual "Noche Latina."

Throbbing Latin beats, explosive colors, savory smells and a diverse audience filled the Great Hall to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the event and its co-sponsor, the Carolina

Hispanic Association. This year's production was dedicated to UNC alumna Catherine Lindsay, who founded CHisPA in 1991.

For the second year, N.C. State University's Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers joined CHisPA to help sponsor and organize the event.

CHisPA Vice President Eleina Hurd said the show, which has sold out every year, is meant to enlighten the campus about Hispanic culture.

"It is a chance for us to do what CHisPA does best," Hurd said.

The diverse production of dance, music and poetry performances began with an authentic dinner buffet catered by 12 restaurants around the Triangle and followed with an afterparty dance.

The dinner, which left many without room for seconds, featured traditional Latin dishes, including fried yucca root and bananas. A live mariachi band in full regalia serenaded the diners.

Senior Pren Fort has attended Noche Latina since he transferred to UNC two years ago. He said the event gives him a refreshing chance to go back to his Peruvian roots and become more in touch with the Hispanic lifestyle. "This is one of the best things that can be done for the Hispanic community," Pren said.

The event showcased many energetic styles of Latin dance, including merengue, flamenco, tango, cha-cha and salsa.

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## Recalling a Decade Of CHisPA Growth

BY KRISTINA HODGES Staff Writer

A woman at the Carolina Hispanic Association booth that stood at Fall Fest last semester had tears in her eyes.

As she slowly looked through the organization's brochure, two girls on the other side of the booth glanced at each other.

One of them spoke up. "Can I help you?" she asked. "Would you like to join CHisPA?"

The woman looked up and smiled. "Actually, I started this group."

The misty-eyed woman was Catherine Lindsay, CHisPA's founder.

And as the organization winds down from its annual cultural celebration "Noche Latina" held Saturday, officers old and new celebrate Lindsay and the accomplishments CHisPA has made in its 10 years.

Lindsay founded CHisPA in 1990, with a small group of about 10 students. Now celebrating its 10th anniversary, the group boasts a membership of nearly 100.

"I started (CHisPA) because I wanted to meet people who spoke Spanish, and I didn't see anyone on campus," said Lindsay, a 28-year-old master's

student in public health. "I went to my adviser and told him my problem. He gave me the undergraduate roster, and I contacted Hispanic students."

Lindsay was not around to see CHisPA grow into what it is today because she left UNC the next year. And to her surprise, CHisPA had grown a lot in the 10 years she was gone.

"When I came back this year to get my master's, I found out that it had a constitution and an office," she said.

CHisPA had actually expanded more than Lindsay realized. She found out from her mother, a Wilmington resident, that UNC-Wilmington has also opened a CHisPA chapter.

"When we first started CHisPA, we just met once a week in a room in the Student Union to talk in Spanish," Lindsay said.

Now CHisPA can be found anywhere from the soup kitchens to Centro Latino, a Carrboro facility that provides various services for Hispanics.

"CHisPA is not just about Hispanics at UNC — it's for Hispanics in the entire community," said current CHisPA President Pamela D'Empaire.

One program called CHisPA Chicos

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## Revised CAA Bill Faces Vote

Student Congress, in its emergency meeting tonight, will address Brad Matthews' objections to the CAA bill.

BY KIM MINUGH University Editor

In an effort to avoid a veto by Student Body President Brad Matthews, Student Congress will meet in an emergency session tonight to vote on a revised version of the debated bill giving Congress power to oversee the Carolina Athletic Association.

The bill passed by a 17-1 vote Tuesday but stalled in the hands of Matthews, who refused to approve the bill because of clerical errors and logistical concerns.

Matthews met Friday with Congress Speaker Alexandra Bell and Sarah Marks, chairwoman of Congress' Rules and Judiciary Committee, to discuss the changes. "Everyone has been very cooperative, very helpful," Matthews said. "It's hard when it's last minute, but no one has had problems with my objections."

In its present state, the bill gives Congress the power to approve the CAA president's Cabinet appointments as well as the ticket distribution policy chosen by the CAA.

It also mandates that the starting numbers for ticket distributions be chosen in public; that bracelet number ranges be published; and that public records be kept of every ticket given to CAA Cabinet members, Carolina Fever members or any other student officials or organizations.

Most of these stipulations still stand, but the new bill limits Congress' power so that any alterations to the distribution policy must not only be approved by a majority of Congress, but also by the director of athletics, the CAA president and the student body president.

The current bracelet system will be made law by the creation of a Memorandum of Agreement between the Department of Athletics and the UNC student body, to be finalized early this week.

Matthews is currently writing the memorandum with Director of Athletics Dick Baddour and Director of Ticket Distribution Clint Gwaltney.

Matthews said the rest of the changes are minimal and do not change the face of the original bill. "I think we're going to get a much better bill out of this," he said.

It still includes the riders added Tuesday that exempt CAA President-elect Reid Chaney from Congress' approval of his Cabinet. But Matthews said he will ask Congress tonight to delete the riders because Congress' approval of Chaney's Cabinet will only help his transition. "Having the congressional stamp of approval gives (the Cabinet) more credibility to stand on."

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## Hunter Unanimously Chosen for DTH Editor

BY SARAH SANDERS Staff Writer

After three years of climbing the ladder at The Daily Tar Heel, Katie Hunter has finally reached the top.

The Editor Selection Committee confirmed her to the position of 135th DTH editor Saturday morning, and Hunter said she is eager to pass on the lessons she has learned over the years.

"I am so excited," said the junior from Newburgh, N.Y. "This has been a goal of mine for so long."

The 11-member Editor Selection Committee agreed that Hunter was a qualified candidate, and the fact that she was the only applicant did not

diminish her ability to impress committee members with her articulate, thoughtful presentation.

"We certainly weren't easy on (Katie)," said junior Tiffany Hutchins, one of seven at-large members of the selection committee. "There were some difficult questions, and she answered them really well."

The committee, which also included four DTH staff members, met with Hunter for a little more than an hour. After fielding questions from the committee, Hunter left the room for the committee to vote, a vote which is taken without any prior discussion.

She was unanimously accepted as the new DTH editor.

Hunter called the process "almost surreal" because of the combination of adrenaline, caffeine and excitement that rushed through her body. "There was a level of intimidation, but I wasn't as nervous as I thought I'd be," she said.

Freshman Daniel Thigpen, who represented DTH assistant editors on the committee, said seeing Hunter in action at the paper has convinced him she is fully capable of serving as editor. "It really wasn't a hard decision," he said. "She had me at 'hello.'"

Current editor Matt Dees said leaving his post is a bittersweet experience but that he feels confident in passing the torch to Hunter. "I have worked with Katie since her first day in the

newsroom, and she has shown her talent and dedication," he said. "I know she has what it takes to be successful."

Hunter said she is eagerly anticipating the transition from her role as student to that of teacher at the DTH. "I have learned so much here," she said. "I'm excited about going to the teaching side and helping new staffers improve."

Sefton Ipock, the committee's desk editor representative, said he is pleased to see Hunter taking the reins.

"We've spent a lot of time together," Ipock said. "I know whatever changes she makes are going to be for the best."

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DTH FILE PHOTO

Editor-select Kathleen Hunter was tapped for the post Saturday.

I disapprove of what you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it.

Voltaire