

GC Reform Will First Affect Class Of 1974

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The Faculty Council Friday approved sweeping reforms in the General College curriculum which are to be implemented by June, 1970 for incoming freshmen.

Dean Raymond Dawson, head of the Administrative Board, said the curriculum recommendations now affect only those incoming students after June, 1970. Dawson said the board will review the recommendations and that they may be applied to those students now in the General College if possible.

The council approved recommendations submitted by the Administrative Board of

the General College, in conjunction with the Merzbacher Committee, with only three amendments accepted by the faculty.

The Residence College Federation, which represents all students living in University residence colleges, played a

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major role in the acceptance of two of the amendments. The amendments dealt with math and foreign languages requirements of the General College.

The approval of the council authorizes the Administrative Board to change the curriculum of the General College, make improvements in the methods of General College advising and decrease the role

of the graduate student in the teaching of General College courses. The Council must yet determine whether the requirement of forty courses for graduation will be changed. This recommendation will be discussed at the first meeting of the council in January.

The council methodically approved nine of the ten recommendations submitted. The major discussion concerned Recommendation 8, the curriculum of the General College. Most provisions of this recommendation were easily approved (see box), but the foreign language and math requirements were disputed. The two major amendments of the policy were accepted here.

The Residence College Federation (RCF) strongly objected to the proposal submitted by the Administration Board. The Administration Board had

proposed that students take either foreign language or math, depending on their major. The Board also carefully noted the requirements for students in the respective majors. Denouncing the proposal, the RCF criticized the fact that if it was accepted, "a RTVMP or American history major requires more foreign language courses than a zoology major."

After reading of the RCF statement, Professor Jay P. Rosenberg and Dr. John Heintz, both of the Philosophy Department, submitted an amendment. The amendment, which was accepted in a close vote, states that a student may take either foreign language or math, with General College requirements being the same for all students.

Richard Stevens, co-chairman of the RCF, then pointed out that the proposal

made it mandatory for all students to complete five semesters of foreign language, if they chose that alternative. Dr. Maynard Adams then proposed an amendment to keep the foreign language requirements at the present level, i.e. through course 4 if a new language, through course 4 and one other if the same language as taken in high school. This amendment was debated fully and then passed.

Stevens termed the meeting a "moderate success" for the RCF. He said the fact that RCF was allowed to speak showed the interest of the Faculty Council and that further progress was expected.

Although several other RCF suggestions were defeated, Stevens was pleased and said the meeting "was a start toward the overhaul of the General College." He said the RCF would appear at the

Council meeting in January to support the 32 courses for graduation amendment.

The only other amendment to the recommendations concerned freshmen seminars. These seminars will be started next year and Dean Dawson said they "should be completely in service within three years."

The Administrative Board has proposed these seminars be worth three hours credit and also be taken on a grade basis.

An amendment was made by Professor Steven Polgar proposing the seminars not be handled on grade basis approved with the stipulation that the Faculty Council would

decide in May whether the seminars would be taken on a grade basis or pass-fail basis.

Other major recommendations stated the University should "improve General College advising" and increase the number of professors and associate professors teaching General College courses. Dawson said the staff of advisers will be enlarged next year and other improvements

will be made on a long-term basis. He said the inclusion of more professors will decrease the number of graduate students teaching.

The Administrative Board and the deans of the various departments must now get together and work out the new programs. Dawson said he was sure the problems of the new policy will be worked out "in time to start them next year."

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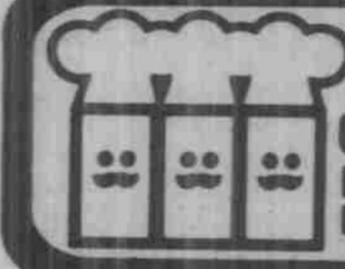
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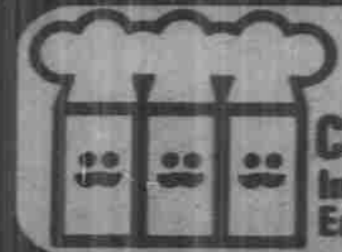
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—Electives, seven or eight, with not more than four courses from a single department.

As Part Of Soph Honors Program

Harpisichord-Building Offered

By GLENN BRANK
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A harpischord-building course is one of the new subjects to be offered in the Sophomore Honors Program for Spring semester. Entitled "The Harpischord," the course will be taught by Professor Rudolph Kremer of the Music Department.

The course entails a study of the harpischord and the music devoted to it. Assignments include readings and listening

to records. According to Kremer, all the material is of a non-technical nature. A musical background is not required.

Professor Kremer talked about the unique course. "It's something I've wanted to do for a long time. This year I was invited to propose an honors course, so here was the chance to realize my ambition," he said.

Kremer added the project will require some delicate work in setting the strings. A case will also have to be constructed and this necessitates some knowledge of craftsmanship.

The harpischord will be built from a kit costing around \$250.00 and when completed will be worth over one thousand dollars. Kremer

believes it will be an important asset to the music department.

If the project is successful, Kremer plans to build a clavichord, the forerunner of the piano, next year.

The Honors Program will also offer "Introduction to Issues in Linguistics," designated Honors 28. The course will initially deal with the history of the study of language, and then move to current issues in linguistics and their relation to earlier theories and goals.

"Geology and Man," designated Honors 29, will

explore man's intellectual outlook as effected by the earth sciences. The course will involve the study of case histories, with such specific topics as the continental drift and the Ice Ages, environment problems such as California earthquakes and water resources in North Carolina, and general geological factors.

Dr. Donald Java, Honors adviser, said all courses will be limited to fifteen students per section. Classes will be informal and on the layman's level, according to Java.

Campus Calendar

INTERNATIONAL CHRISTMAS CAROLS will highlight a Christmas party, sponsored by the International Student Center, at 8 o'clock tonight in the Baptist Student Union. All students, both foreign and American, are invited. Admission is \$5.00.

PERSONS interested in compiling information should meet in suite C of the Carolina Union at 4 p.m. Monday.

OUTING CLUB will meet Monday at 7 p.m. in the Student Union. All persons interested in caving, camping, climbing, hiking, etc. are invited.

STATE SELECTIVE SERVICE Director William H. McCahren will speak and answer questions on the draft lottery Monday at 8 p.m. in Gerrard Hall.

CIRUNA COMMITTEE of the YMCA will sponsor a Christmas caroling Monday at 8 p.m. All interested persons should meet at Y-Court.

BAHA'I faith will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Union. Baha'i is a world religion believing in the oneness of mankind, the common foundation of all religions, and the essential

harmony of science and religion. Everyone believing in these goals is welcome.

REPTILICUS FAN CLUB will hold its organizational meeting Thursday in the back booth at Harry's at 10 a.m. Those not in the club but wishing to attend may call 967-2474 and ask for Tom.

WALK AGAINST HUNGER cards and money are due by Dec. 17. Cards should be turned in to the YM-YWCA office, 102 Y Building between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

JOHN P. HERNADEZ will speak on "Electron and Positronium Bubbles in Helium" at the Physics Colloquium at 4 p.m. on Dec. 17 in room 215 Phillips Hall. Tea and coffee will be served at 3:30 p.m. in the lounge, room 277 Phillips Hall.

TALKING POINT, a program which lets students with problems talk openly with professional counselors, is held each Monday through Thursday in room 105 of the YMCA from 7-11 p.m.

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