

Orientation

the hand written letter

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The 1971 orientation program has been revised to accommodate 3200 freshmen and 1150 transfer students... an overenrollment of 650.

Steve LaTour, chairman of the orientation committee, said, "It's going to be rough, but we will try to give the new students the personal introduction

they need."

LaTour named the orientation counselors as the most essential part of the personal approach.

Each counselor starts a personal relationship with the incoming student by writing a letter of welcome. "It's probably the only hand-written letter these people will ever get from the University," LaTour said.

After the new student arrive,

counselors will answer their questions about college life and acquaint them with the University's physical, academic, and social aspects.

Besides the personal contact with the counselors, LaTour discussed three new programs that will help the incoming students discover the aspects of University life.

The number of seminars has been tripled. Then groups will discuss such subjects as survival in the South, dorm survival, you vs. the bureaucracy, sex, drugs, and consumer protection. LaTour stressed that seminar leaders would serve as resource people rather than lecturers.

Another new development is an open house of all academic departments. Information about majors, courses, facilities and job opportunities will be presented. The program will be designed to help junior transfers decide on a major

and allow freshmen to use electives more effectively.

General College advisors will be available for individual interviews during the orientation period. The interviews will help the registering freshmen to work out personal schedule problems.

LaTour and the orientation committee hope that their new personal approach will encourage students to become "aggressively involved" in the University in a way that will benefit both the individual and the institution.

However, LaTour said, the committee faces a shortage of counselor volunteers because of the unexpected overenrollment and the early starting date of the new University calendar. Any student interested in helping can call Steve LaTour at 933-2165 or 933-1502, or go by Suite D of the Carolina Student Union.



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