

Students talk about internships

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Staff Writer

Students who participate in internships can gain valuable experience, earn money, and have fun, said seven panelists before about 35 students Wednesday afternoon in Hanes Hall.

The informational meeting, sponsored by University Career Planning and Placement Services, featured panelists currently attending UNC and two alumni in a panel discussion of past internships.

Mont Rogers, a senior economics and English major from Andrews, interned at Gov. Jim Hunt's press office.

"I found my internship on a sign in Gardner Hall one day. You never know where internship opportunities are. I wrote press releases, which was great experience. The English part of my major helped me in the press office and the econ helped me get a feel for public policy," Rogers said.

Gail Conger, a senior business administration major from Sheboygan, Wis., served as an intern with Congressman

Thomas Petri (R-Wisc.) in Washington last summer.

"I wrote letters, contacted constituents, researched . . . in my internship. It was a real action-packed position. I still opened mail and stuffed envelopes and other fun things like that," said Conger. "You need to work hard (to get an internship) and it's not too late. But now is the time to start."

The New Bern Chamber of Commerce was the site of John Mitterling's internship. "People are on a historical kick right now," said Mitterling, a junior speech communication major from New Bern. "New Bern is being visited by more people now and they were in need of a new blood to come in and help with travel and tourism." Mitterling said he worked as an administrative assistant, a position for which the city of New Bern had to allocate funds since the internship was newly created.

Larry Davis, a senior from Charlotte majoring in business administration, interned in the Carrboro Planning

Department last summer. "The Franklin Street extension was something I got my hands into, and I learned municipal government inside out. If you're interested in an administrative internship in municipal government, you'd enjoy this. Other cities have these types of internships as well," he said.

An actuarial internship took Robia Nesmith to the Aetna Insurance Corp. in Hartford, Conn.

"My internship was good because it helped me decide that being an actuary was not the career I wanted. My major is very narrow, and I'm glad I've taken classes outside of my major. On a resume, it makes you look like you've got a broad base," said Nesmith, a senior mathematical sciences and actuarial major from Sunset Beach.

All the panelists agreed internships are worthwhile but obtaining them is a lot of hard work. All recommended using UCPPS and seeing a counselor to discuss internships. UCPPS is located on the second floor of Hanes Hall.



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Better than summer school: students who got jobs as interns say they learned a lot about career options

Student not badly injured in accident

From staff reports

A UNC student was reported to be not seriously injured after being hit by a car at a pedestrian crosswalk Wednesday night.

Ann Caroline Coggins, a graduate student from Kannapolis, was in the crosswalk when she was struck by the car, police reports said. Coggins rolled

onto the hood and into the windshield, shattering it, reports said.

Kyonya Min, of 1407 Dollars Ave., Durham, was the driver of the car. Reports said the car was travelling West on South Road at the time of the accident. The report said the light was green and that Coggins was crossing against the light.

The car was moving at about 20 mph

and travelled about 20 feet after impact, reports said.

No arrest was made, but Min was given a citation for driving with defective headlights. An estimated \$250 in damages was done to the car.

UNCASG schedule set

The UNC Association of Student Governments will meet this weekend as follows:

- Today**
- 2 p.m. Meet with UNC System Vice Presidents for Student Affairs Cleon Thompson and John Corey.
- 3 p.m. Meet with UNC President William Friday.
- 7 p.m. UNCASG meeting in the Student Union.

Tomorrow

9:30 a.m. - noon. UNCASG Committee reports in the Union.

Human Rights Week starts Monday

By CATHERINE KURY
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Next week has been designated by the Campus Y as Human Rights Week in an effort to raise the consciousness of the campus and community toward human dignity, rights and freedom.

Sophomore Alec Hudnut, chairman of the Human Rights Week committee, said he hoped the week's events would educate students about human rights.

George Gamble, associate director of the Campus Y, said they were not looking for long-term benefits because it remained an educational activity. "As educators we hope that something is learned from this experience," he said.

Human Rights Week includes 30 events centered around individual rights, political expression, minority rights and poverty and hunger.

The keynote speaker is author James Baldwin who is known for his works dealing with human rights in America

and his activities in the Civil Rights Movement. Rah Bickley, public relations chairman for Human Rights Week, said Baldwin was significant because he writes books about America and he was active in the Civil Rights Movement. Also, he has lived through several ears of social unrest.

"Not only is he an authority, he feels it," she said. Hudnut said Baldwin represented someone who has made human rights an issue.

Another speaker will be C.P. Ellis, who was president (Exalted Cyclops) of the Durham chapter of the Ku Klux Klan when he was elected chairman of the Durham Human Relations Council. His work with the organization and his co-chairperson, a black woman, caused him to question his personal values and ultimately leave the Klan. Ellis will be telling his personal story which is the subject of a soon-to-be-released film during Human Rights Week.

"C.P. Ellis epitomizes the type of person who has been on both sides of human rights," Hudnut said.

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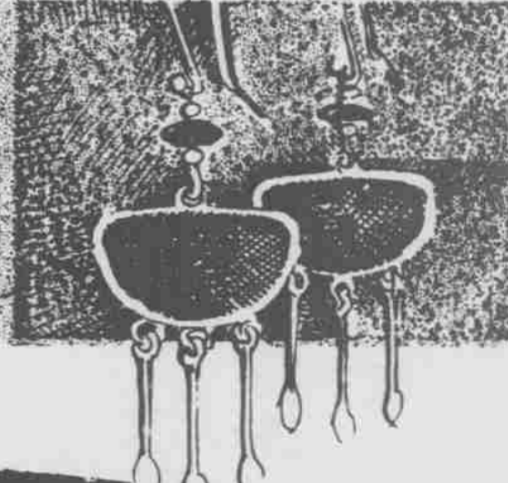
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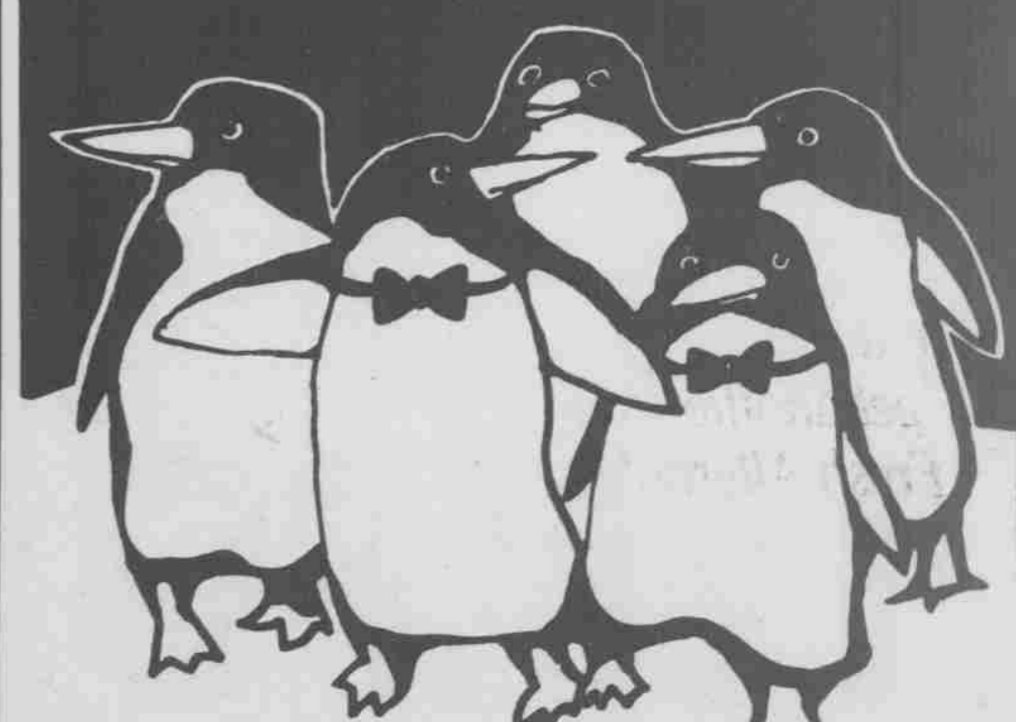
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