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## Proposal for academic minor goes to department chairmen

By SARAH CAGLE  
Staff Writer

A proposal to establish an academic minor by department is now in the hands of department chairmen, whom Dean Gillian Cell is asking to determine if they have sufficient faculty and resources to offer a minor.

If departments are receptive to the minor proposal, individual departments may offer a minor as early as the fall of 1990.

Each department would determine the courses a minor should require, said Ruffin Hall, director of the student government academic affairs committee. Hall said he was concerned about how many courses should be required for a minor.

"We'd like to see some consistency in terms of the number of courses and difficulty."

The academic minor option, introduced by the academic affairs committee,

was proposed to the Faculty Council in the fall of 1988 to offer an alternative to students who are double-majoring and to reward students who take several courses in a non-major department.

Cell, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, is sending a letter to all department chairmen asking them to discuss the minor proposal with their faculty. The chairmen should begin responding to Cell's letter in October.

Efforts to reach Cell for comment Wednesday were unsuccessful.

"I have not heard of much faculty opposition," Hall said. "Each department is just concerned with what they can handle in terms of course offerings and class size."

He said offering a minor should not cause more demand for courses because many students who would choose to minor are already taking the courses for a double major or for elec-

tives. Department chairmen interviewed Wednesday supported the minor proposal in theory, but most said their departments did not have enough faculty to participate.

Stanley Black, chairman of the economics department, said although he supported the idea of a minor, it would not be feasible in his department.

"The number of majors in our department has gone up tremendously in the last couple of years. Our resources are already quite strained, although we're coping."

Black said he would support economics majors who chose to minor in another department, just as he supports students who double major.

Joseph Flora, chairman of the English department, echoed Black's concerns. "There is some sympathy with the sentiment (of the minor proposal), and we will discuss it. But I don't see

that we have the manpower to do it."

Flora said changes in the English department's curriculum and demand for courses to fulfill aesthetic perspectives caused him to be concerned about the demand minors would create. If the English department were expanded and adequate resources guaranteed, Flora said he would support the proposal.

Even department chairmen who said the minor might be offered in their departments said they needed more information.

Jack Sasson, chairman of the religious studies department, said he would discuss the proposal with his faculty this week. "I have nothing against it. It's a wonderful idea."

But Sasson said he was unsure how many courses constituted a minor and what courses those would be. He said he was not concerned about a shortage

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## BOT to review Lewis' tuition plan

By WILL SPEARS  
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Student Body President Brien Lewis will take his Tuition Defense Initiative (TDI) to the Oct. 27 meeting of the Board of Trustees (BOT) in hopes that they will support it.

Lewis designed the six-point TDI proposal to combat future tuition increases. Students were informed of a tuition increase late this summer, and many were forced to take loans from the University to cover the increase.

Tuition was increased 20 percent, around \$100, for in-state students and 15 percent, around \$669, for out-of-state students.

Lewis said he thought the BOT would support the proposal. "There's nothing threatening in it. It (the TDI) is ac-

knowledging the history of student involvement in the (decision-making) process."

A BOT endorsement would be beneficial to the proposal, Lewis said. "It would certainly strengthen the proposal if the trustees can support it."

Lewis will contact the student body presidents from the other UNC-system schools and ask them to present the proposal to their boards of trustees, he said.

Chancellor Paul Hardin expressed his support for the proposal Tuesday in the form of a note to Lewis. "Your TDI is well-grounded and clearly expressed. You have my support," Hardin said in the note.

Hardin's support will be beneficial, Lewis said. "He was in support of the

whole package. Of course, that doesn't mean he's going to get down in the trenches with us. But he's not someone we'll have to persuade, either."

Hardin expressed concern about student tuition rates in his proposal to the BOT at its Sept. 1 meeting. One point proposes studying the tuition policy. The board approved Hardin's proposal. Lewis said he would stress to the BOT that the TDI is not "in contrast or competition with Hardin's paper."

Eleanor Morris, director of scholarships and student aid, said she favored the proposal. "I support it in the sense that we need more warning. We certainly are in support of that. We're concerned about the students."

Nearly 200 students had to borrow money from the University this fall to

meet the new tuition rates, Morris said.

Donald Boulton, vice chancellor and dean of student affairs, said he also supported the proposal. "I'm fully supportive of his (Lewis') efforts. He's right on target."

Because the BOT approved Hardin's proposal, they would probably support the TDI, Boulton said. "I'm assuming that two and two makes four in this situation."

Ben Tuchi, vice chancellor for business and finance, said he thought student involvement in such issues was important. "The notion of student involvement is a good notion. It is a workable one. In general, yes, I support it (the TDI)."

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Fit to be tied

Montana artists Stephanie Collins and Erik Cushman wait for customers to buy tie-dyed T-shirts near the Pit Wednesday.

DTH/Kathy Michel

## Committee readying report on perspective courses

By JOEY HILL  
Staff Writer

A College of Arts and Sciences committee is circulating the rough draft of a report on the status of general education at UNC for review among Arts and Sciences faculty members.

Darryl Gless, associate dean of the General College and chairman of the committee, said the report — which focuses on the perspectives system — would go back to the committee, which will meet next month with Gillian Cell,

dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

The report addresses General College perspective requirements, but it concentrates on College of Arts and Sciences perspective requirements, Gless said. "We focused a lot of attention on the arts and sciences perspectives, because that's where a lot of difficulty was thought to lie."

Students enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences seeking a Bachelor of Arts degree must take one course in

each of the five perspective areas, he said.

Cell said the report recommended changes, but she said it was too early to discuss those recommendations. She will meet on Oct. 12 with the committee that wrote the report.

"After that, the final report will make a more public appearance," Gless said. "It's important to decide the thing is finished before we release it to the public. I would expect discussion (about the report) to be finished in the spring,

and any changes in the fall of 1990."

The report involved surveying students, faculty and department chairmen, Gless said. "Easily the greatest volume of information that went into this came from students."

"Every student enrolled in an upper-level perspective course in the spring of '88 got to fill out a questionnaire. Nearly 12,000 surveys were filled out."

After the report is finalized, a sequence of distribution to the public will be discussed, Gless said. "There are

tons of groups who have interests in this, so we'll have to decide at the last meeting. I assume we'll have some kind of proposal to make."

The report will finally be presented to the Faculty Council, which will decide what action, if any, to take on it, he said.

"When the curriculum was installed by way of a faculty report in 1980, the report required that a review be done. That's what this is."

Ruffin Hall, director of academic

affairs of student government, said that his committee would be prepared to react to the committee's findings, but that he had not yet seen the report. "I'm curious to see what it's going to say."

"Our task will be to decide if we agree with the changes. I have no other means to act until the report comes out."

"What I mean by reactive is that we can agree, disagree, support or not support (the changes), and then work from there," he continued. "The report will determine our plan of action."

## Student Congress passes pro-choice resolution

By MIKE SUTTON  
Staff Writer

A resolution supporting a woman's right to have a legal abortion was passed by Student Congress Wednesday night after an amendment was added urging the N.C. General Assembly not to reverse current state abortion statutes.

The resolution, which was passed by voice vote with little opposition, says the Student Congress of UNC "supports the right of all women to control their reproductive lives," and "opposes all attempts to restrict a woman's right to control her own reproductive life."

Jeffrey Beall (Dist. 7), one of the bill's authors, said before the vote that he didn't write this resolution to change peoples' views, "but for congress to voice its opinion on this individual right. This resolution does not promote abor-

tion, but supports the right to choose, one that should never be taken away."

Beall said abortion was an issue that has a direct bearing on the lives of women at the University, and that it was therefore proper for congress to express an opinion and show its "support and empathy" with women everywhere.

Matthew Heyd (Dist. 11), chairman of the Student Affairs Committee, said the committee had been unanimous in supporting the resolution. The resolution makes no distinction about when life begins or whether the government should fund abortions, he noted.

"The heart of the resolution is the sense that the majority of the student body supports the right of legal abortion," Heyd said, adding that because congress considers itself the voice of the students, it should speak out.

Todd Wyatt (Dist. 4) said, "We're simply asking that personal choices not be limited."

Mark Bibbs (Dist. 12), who wrote the amendment calling for the N.C. General Assembly to uphold current abortion legislation, said that including the clause would "help justify debating this bill."

"I do think that if we're going to pass something of this nature, we should at least send it to the North Carolina General Assembly and let it know what our voice is on this issue."

Jurgen Buchenau (Dist. 3) said one of the purposes of congress was to lobby before state legislators on behalf of student opinion.

In other business, congress approved an act appropriating \$2,500 for student government to donate to Henderson Residence College (HRC) for Springfest '90.

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## Talents blossom for Mr. UNC winner

By RHETA LOGAN  
Staff Writer

Strutting his stuff in a sunflower costume to the tune of Paula Abdul's "Cold-Hearted Snake," senior Tres Wagner won the hearts of the audience and judges Wednesday night to capture the Mr. UNC crown.

Magner defeated freshman Kas DeCarvalho, sophomore Francis George and freshman Philip McAdoo, who won first runner-up.

The contestants were judged in four categories: introduction, an original cheer, improvisation and talent.

Magner introduced himself to the audience as a nervous contestant who considered it a "great honor to attend this university," then abandoned formalities and jumped into a rendition of the rap song "Word Up."

Magner's cheer required the audience to finish sentences with words written on poster boards, which he held up for the audience.

"Don't get excited, don't throw a fit," Magner chanted. "Just stare at Navy and tell them to eat..."

"Quiche!" the audience responded.

Other highlights of the contest included McAdoo's improvisation of a man who splits his pants while on a first date at a restaurant, then skillfully removes his trousers under the table and tosses them to the waitress for her to mend.

George's cheer — to the tune of The Clash's "Should I Stay or Should I Go?" — was a favorite with the audience, as was a musical number performed by DeCarvalho and the Winston Dorm Jam Squad during the talent portion of the contest.

The talent contributions of the other contestants included McAdoo's performance of "Ol' Man River," with a piano accompaniment by senior Missy Hastings. George per-

formed Simple Minds' "Don't You Forget About Me" on the piano, and Magner danced on stage dressed as a flower, accompanied by a cast of stu-

dents dressed as butterflies.

The event sold 231 tickets, said Margaret Johnson, treasurer of Circle K, a service club affiliated with the

Chapel Hill Kiwanis Club and sponsor of the event.

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Tres Wagner raps his way to the Mr. UNC title

DTH/Schuyler Brown

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I have always depended on the kindness of strangers. — Blanche DuBois