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H I G H L I G H T S
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NEW UNIVERSITY POLICY

On January 20, 1995, the Board of Regents approved a new course repeat policy for undergraduate students.

An undergraduate student is permitted to repeat a maximum of 18 hours or 6 courses, whichever comes first. Only 6 of the hours or 2 courses, whichever comes first, in which a grade of "C" or above has been earned may be repeated.

The Academic Council has approved the following implementation plan for the policy:

1. The new policy will become effective for all students entering college for the first time at the beginning of the 1995 Fall semester and thereafter.

2. Students who enter college prior to the 1995 Fall semester may take advantage of 6 hours or two courses, whichever comes first, which a grade of "C" or above has been earned. **However**, they will be limited to a total maximum of 18 hours or 6 courses, whichever comes first, that may be repeated.

In addition, the following administrative interpretations will be used:

1. A repeated "C" or above that occurred prior to the approval of this policy cannot be retroactively processed.

2. If a currently enrolled student wishes to repeat a "C" or "B" and has already repeated 18 hours or 6 courses, the student will be given the option of "undoing" enough of the repeats to allow for a repeat of a "C" or "B" It is anticipated that this scenario will be very rare.

SPEAKS THE POET

***CHANGE IS A NECESSITY
OF LIFE***

Change is a necessity of life
 Nothing stays the same
 The flowers and the trees need
 diversity, this we know
 They need both sunshine
 and rain to bloom and to grow
 The wind is constantly
 shifting from North to South
 and East to West
 The seasons too are changing,
 Nature knows what's best
 An old tree fades away only to be
 replaced by a young sapling
 springing forth
 The leaves wither and die as
 winter blows in from the North
 But as Spring comes forth in its
 splendor bright shiny
 new leaves appear
 For Nature knows what's best,
 change is never feared
 Change is a necessity of life
 Nothing stays the same
 This too applies to us
 Without change we would
 never learn to trust
 Envision change as coming to the
 edge of the cliff and instead
 of falling, choosing to fly
 Change is not the end, but a
 beginning to an adventure
 life has graciously supplied
 Changes gives us the opportunity
 to learn, to grow, and
 experience life in its fullness
 Fear not change as you journey
 through this life
 For fear brings pain and strife
 instead, face the challenge
 life has brought you and look
 toward the sky

Choose to spread your wings and
 f l y f l y f l y !
 Lynn Westover (1995) Jr.
 Social Work Major

P O T P O U R R I

Please help us to
 remember to turn off the coffee pot
 in the student lounge. If you notice
 it on and empty, or if it is on and it
 is late in the afternoon-please turn
 it off.

AIDS EDUCATION

On Wednesday, February
 22, from 3:00-4:00 (in Dr.
 Dawson's class, Room 400 AC),
 Chuck Moss will speak about
 HIV/AIDS. Interested students are
 invited to attend.



"Well, well...if it isn't the Social Worker who told me I'd never amount to anything"

NEWS FROM ASSW

The ASSW Members, would like to welcome the new students into the Social Work Program. We would also like to invite you to come and join the Association of Student Social Workers. Our meetings are held on every Tuesday at 11:50-12:50 and at 4:00-5:00, (you may bring your lunch if you wish).

ASSW wants to thank a few of our students: Dina Armour, Amy Goode, Shelly Hanson & Lynn Westover who participated in the Bowl for Kids Sake Fund Raiser on February 8, 1995. They represented the ASSW and raised \$110 for the Big Brothers and Big Sisters Program. Good work girls!!!

ASSW SPONSORS POTLUCK

If you haven't already heard, you are invited to a Social Work Potluck on Wednesday, February 22, at 6:30-? in Room 201. This potluck is to welcome all of the new faculty and students. ASSW will provide the meat tray if everyone else could sign up to bring the side dishes and drinks. The sign up sheet to indicate what you want to bring is on the middle post in the student lounge, Room 201D. Come join in the fun and fellowship.

PHI ALPHA NEWS

The officers and charter members of the Delta Mu Chapter of the Phi Alpha National Honor Society for Social Work students would like to welcome two new members:

Jennifer Burden
& Roger Ferguson

Any one interested in applying for Spring semester membership in the Delta Mu Chapter of Phi Alpha should contact Debbie Jones, Teresa Crawford, or Amy Bradley. Wednesday, the 22nd of February is the last day that we will be able to accept applications for

admission during the Spring semester.

Debbie Jones
President

FIELD STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Ethan Browning and Amy Watson are student interns with the Victim Advocacy Unit of the Bowling Green Police Department. Their supervisor is April Fulcher, Victims Advocate. Their unit provides a victim and his/her family with support dealing with the child sexual abuse, from disclosure to disposition. The services offered include crisis intervention, emotional support, guidance through the investigation and the criminal justice system, and referrals. These students work frequently with detectives and attorneys. They help to prepare victims/families for the actual trial and stay with them for the duration of the case. They also arrange the medical exams for victims of sexual abuse in the Madisonville area. The students contribute to the evidence gathering process for the investigator. Their unit also coordinates and participates in the Bowling Green/Warren County Child Fatality Review Team.

When asked about their field placement, Ethan stated, "the most satisfying experiences of working with families and victims of child sexual abuse has been the opportunity to empower these families through each battle with the criminal justice system, in an attempt to win the war on child abuse.

Amy commented, "I have learned a great deal in how Social Work Practice has been integrated into law enforcement procedures to reach a common goal"

FALL 1994 SCHEDULE CHANGE

The tentative class schedule for Fall '95 is being revised at student's request. SWRK 485, originally scheduled for TR(F) at 10:30, is rescheduled for Wednesday afternoon from 3:15-5:45.



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