

campus notes

EVENING PROGRAM DEPARTMENT ENROLLMENT UP AT OU

More than 2,000 individuals have enrolled in classes sponsored by the evening program department at the University of Oklahoma for the 1971 fall semester. The enrollment, which does not include students enrolled in other evening classes, is only one segment of the University evening program.

The number of individuals taking night classes through the evening department has increased drastically, according to Sam C. Nigh, director of the evening program at OU. Last year 700 students were enrolled; whereas, there are over 2,000 enrolled this year. And the day student enrollment of 1,500 far exceeds the 300 day students enrolled through this department last year.

The number of courses being offered this fall has more than doubled with credit ranging from one to five hours.

Classes offered include freshman through graduate level courses in such subjects as accounting, anthropology, art, art history, business, business communications, business law, economics, English, finance, geology, geophysics, management, marketing, mathematics, French, office administration, philosophy, political science, psychology, sociology, Spanish and speech.

"The main purpose for the formation of the evening program department was for the convenience of adults who work full-time, but want to continue their education," explained Nigh.

"The only difference in the evening program department," stated Nigh, "is that classes meet at night. The material covered is the same, the textbooks are the same, and the faculty is made up of regular faculty members."

WILL ROGERS CAFETERIA GETS FACELIFTING

Will Rogers Cafeteria in the Oklahoma Memorial Union has a new face.

Workers spent a week in the cafeteria in August painting the ceiling, refinishing the wall paneling and doing minor repair work.

The ceiling has been painted a soft red and the walls have been refinished in a dark brown. Cornice boards with variations of gold, red and brown will top beige curtains, and planters in the cafeteria will be filled with cactus plants.

"We are hoping for a western decore, which we think is in keeping with the life of Will Rogers," explained Jack Guthrie, assistant manager of the Union.

A mural depicting scenes from Will Rogers' life will remain on the east wall above the serving line.

OU SWIMMING POOL TO BE REPAIRED

Plans to repair and renovate the swimming pool used by the University of Oklahoma's swimming team have been announced by Dr. Gene Nordby, OU vice president for administration and finance.

Nordby said the \$80,000 project would not only repair the roof and end wall which collapsed in early September, but would

provide a much improved structure over the OU pool. It is to be completed by mid-December, he said.

The \$80,000 will come from capital improvement funds of the OU Athletic Department.

Portions of the 20-year-old wooden structure collapsed apparently from storm damage received earlier. Nordby said work would begin immediately on repairs, with as much as possible of the existing steel frame being salvaged.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT OFFICE AIDS STUDENTS IN OCCUPATION CHOICE

Helping the University of Oklahoma students to decide on a future occupation and developing proper attitudes toward that work they plan to do is the goal of the new Office for Career Development at OU.

The office, a part of the new Center for Student Development, is headed by Mrs. Amour Andrews, an attractive Ph.D. candidate.

The career Development Office, Mrs. Andrews says, is on an "experimental basis" this year. If students show enough interest in the services there, it will be a permanent service.

Aside from the actual guidance and counseling provided students, the office will sponsor a number of public talks and activities that emphasize a different career area each month — such as speeches, discussion sessions, receptions, health career booths and panel discussions.

Once a student makes a choice of vocation, he is advised to take at least one course in that field in the following semester and to find part-time and summer work in the area to see if he likes it.

If he does like it, an educational program to meet that end is outlined.

MINORITY EMPLOYMENT SHOWS GAINS AT OU

Some positive gains in employment of minority group members at the University of Oklahoma have been made during the past year, and a new Affirmative Action Plan to bring further gains has been adopted.

It has been an uphill battle, too, according to Personnel Services Director Leonard D. Harper, because OU is located in Norman — a community in which only two per cent of the permanent residents are non-white.

Because of that, he said, efforts are being made to recruit minority workers from other cities, such as Oklahoma City and Lawton.

The first Affirmative Action Plan was adopted by OU about a year ago to comply with federal regulations under the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and to bring about more minority employment. A new plan has been adopted, providing for continued progress.

Since last October, minority employees have risen from 4.5 per cent to 6 per cent of all OU workers.

An Equal Employment Opportunity Committee is to be appointed under the plan and will direct the OU Equal Employment Opportunity Plan. Members will represent a wide variety of student and minority groups on the campus, as well as the faculty and administration.

OU'S COLLEGE OF LIBERAL STUDIES MENTIONED IN NATIONAL PUBLICATION

An in-depth article on "non-campus colleges" in the July 17, 1971 issue of Saturday Review mentions the University of Oklahoma's College of Liberal Studies, one of the pioneering off-campus extension programs in the nation.

Ernest L. Boyer, chancellor of the State University of New York, and George C. Keller, assistant to the chancellor, co-authored the article which takes a look at some of the innovations in higher education.

OU's College of Liberal Studies was instituted in 1960 to offer the bachelor of liberal studies (BLS) degree, and the master of liberal studies (MLS) degree program was added in 1967.

Both programs are designed for adults who, for one reason or another, aren't able to attend on-campus classes. Degree requirements are fulfilled by reading a great number of books from a selected list, taking comprehensive examinations over general study areas, and attending on-campus seminars.

PEOPLE

OU JOURNALISM PROFESSOR REPRESENTS U.S. AT INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR

The U.S. Department of State chose Dr. Karlen Mooradian to represent the United States at an International Communication Seminar in Sali, Yugoslavia.

An associate professor of journalism at the University of Oklahoma with a broad background in history and mass communication, Mooradian was a prime candidate for the six-week seminar held this summer.

Mooradian was awarded a fellowship by the State Department to attend the seminar along with 150 other journalists representing all the continents. The group convened in Sali, which is located on the island of Dugi Otok in the Adriatic Sea.

NINE OU PROFESSORS NAMED TO 1971 EDITION OF OUTSTANDING EDUCATORS OF AMERICA

Nine University of Oklahoma faculty members will be included in the 1971 edition of Outstanding Educators of America. Nominated earlier this year, the OU professors were chosen for the awards publication on the basis of their civic and professional achievements.

Those chosen for the distinction include Dr. Nat Eek, director of the School of Drama and professor of drama; Roy Fridge, assistant professor of art; Dr. James E. Hibdon, professor of economics; Dr. Simon H. Wender, George Lynn Cross research professor of chemistry; Dr. George L. Cross, OU president emeritus and professor of botany; Dr. Alexander J. Kondonassis, David Ross Boyd professor of economics; Miss V. Jean Brown, professor of pharmacy; Dr. Betty Pollak, assistant professor of physics, and Dr. Gail Jacobson, visiting assistant professor of home economics.