

NEW BOOK LOAN RIGHTS APPROVED

All members of the University community will in future have the same privilege of extended loans of Library books as have traditionally been granted to faculty members, except in the case of books in heavy demand.

And all Library users will be subject to tough penalties if they fail to return books needed by another user.

These policies form the core of new Library regulations that were approved at the Nov. 12 meeting of Senate.

The new regulations have two additional hurdles to clear — they must be approved by UBC's Board of Governors and they are unlikely to be implemented until the current postal strike is over.

NEW POLICIES

The new policies were contained in a report from the Senate Library Committee, chaired by Prof. Malcolm McGregor, who said they "are an attempt to introduce one set of regulations that will apply to all borrowers."

Here are the highlights of the new policy.

- Two basic loan periods — two weeks and one week — will apply to all members of the University community who borrow from campus libraries.

This new policy broadens a privilege that only

faculty members now enjoy. Under present practice, faculty members are able to keep a borrowed book beyond the basic loan period without returning it for renewal. The book is called in only if requested by another user.

- A new extended-loan period policy will apply to all UBC users of the Library system. Students and employed staff, as well as faculty members, will be

able to borrow specific items for any reasonable length of time.

Extended loans will not normally be granted reference works, unbound current periodicals, c types of serials, and reserve and frequently materials.

The new policy also provides for stiffer penalties for users who fail to renew a loan when the book has been requested by another user.

FINE SYSTEM

Here's how the fine system will work.

If you have a book out for one or two weeks basic borrowing period — you'll be expected to return it on the due date and have it renewed or switched to extended-loan.

If you don't return it on the due date, nothing will happen unless the book is requested by another user. A fine of \$1.00 a day up to \$25.00 for each book will apply from the day the request is made for the book.

For example, your two-week book is due on a Friday, say, and you don't bother to renew it. If, on the following Tuesday, another user requests it, the Library will send you a notice and the fine will start accumulating on Tuesday.

Library officials say this regulation is designed to put the onus for renewal or return of frequently-used books on the user. Books out on one- or two-week loan are those most heavily in demand in the Library system.

If you have a book out on extended loan and another user requests it, the Library will send you a notice asking you to return it. If the book isn't returned in seven days, fines will then start accumulating at the rate of \$1.00 a day up to \$25.00.

Fines for late return of reserve materials are \$1.00 an hour up to \$5.00 a day, with a maximum of \$25.00 an item on material requested by another borrower.

The new regulations state that in the case of material on extended loan which has been requested by another user, penalties won't be waived because of failure to receive the call-in notice. "It is the responsibility of each borrower granted an extended loan to ensure that the Library has his or her correct address in case a call-in notice has to be sent."

APPEAL RIGHT

Mr. Basil Stuart-Stubbs, the University Librarian, told Senate that the new regulations also include a procedure under which fines can be appealed. He said the Library would not levy fines if users have a good reason for not returning a book.

The new regulations also include provision for suspension of borrowing privileges for Library users who fail to return material after the maximum penalty in fines has accrued. The suspension will remain in effect until the borrowed material is returned.

Contract for UBC pool let

Northern Construction Co. has been awarded a \$2,156,400 contract to construct Stage 1 of the new campus indoor swimming pool.

A brief sod-turning ceremony will take place at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 27, on the site of the pool, the grassy knoll to the south of the Student Union Building. Mr. Jake van der Kamp, president of the Alma Mater Society, will turn the first sod.

Northern Construction Co. was the lowest of six bidders for the pool job. UBC's Board of Governors at its meeting Nov. 4 authorized President Douglas Kenny to award the contract "subject to the receipt of appropriate recommendations and approval of the AMS."

Dr. Kenny authorized the award of the contract on Nov. 13 after receiving recommendations from the Planning and Co-ordinating Committee for the Aquatic Centre — the official name of the pool — and a resolution passed by the AMS Students' Council on Nov. 5.

Stage 1 of the pool will be built with contributions from the AMS and the University, and a grant from the provincial government's Recreational Facilities Fund.

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First-year failure rate increases

The percentage of full-time, first-year UBC students who obtain a pass or better standing in final examinations written in April is declining.

And the percentage of full-time, first-year students who receive no credit as a result of failing April exams or withdrawing from the University is increasing.

Statistics on the performance of full-time, first-year students are contained in a report compiled recently by Mr. A.F. Shirran, the director of UBC's Office of Student Services.

The report is based on the records of 3,602 first-year students who took full programs (15 or more units) in the 1974-75 Winter Session. The statistics do not include those students who were registered on a part-time basis or those who were granted a deferred status for medical or other reasons.

The report shows that in 1975, 51.5 per cent of full-time, first-year students at UBC received a first-class, second-class or pass standing in examinations written in April.

This percentage is down from 60.3 per cent in 1974 and from 67.1 per cent in 1971, the year in which the highest percentage of full-time, first-year students obtained a pass or better standing in the past 14 years.

The statistics also show that in 1975, 17.3 per cent of full-time students in first-year programs received no credit for their work as the result of failing April exams or withdrawal from the University.

This percentage is up from 14.5 per cent in 1974 and from 11.3 in 1971, the year in which the lowest percentage of full-time students received no credit in the past 14 years.

(The table on Page Four shows the percentage of full-time, first-year students receiving "pass" and "no-credit" standings in the 14-year period from 1962 to 1975.)

Mr. Shirran emphasized that the statistics in the report are based on the results of April examinations and do not take into account the results of exam rereads or supplementals. The table on Page Four also does not include the percentage of full-time, first-year students who received partial credit in April exams.

The percentage of full-time, first-year students who passed their April examinations shows a steady increase between 1962, when 33 per cent obtained a first-class, second-class or pass standing, and 1971, when 67.1 per cent were in this category.

In the same period the percentage of full-time, first-year students who received no credit or withdrew from UBC shows a steady decline from 33.5 per cent in 1962 to 11.3 per cent in 1971.

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MRS. HELEN DUNBAR, a member of UBC's employed staff, placed a wreath on behalf of the University at the base of the memorial wall in the War Memorial Gymnasium during traditional Remembrance Day ceremonies on Nov. 11. A total of 11 organizations took part in the ceremony. Mrs. Dunbar, who works in the printing division of the campus Instructional Media Centre, served during the Second World War with the women's division of the Royal Canadian Air Force. Photo by Tim Morris.

AUCC PUBLICATION

Owing to the postal strike, the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada is unable to distribute its publication *University Affairs* by mail. The Association plans to ship 1,500 copies of the current issue to UBC by express. They will be available to interested faculty members in the Faculty Club Library and Lower Lounge, or from Mr. Richard Hansen, the club manager. The issue should arrive on campus sometime in the week beginning Nov. 23.

New test procedure approved

UBC's Senate has approved by a narrow margin a procedure to sort out which students planning to enter UBC are competent in written English.

Beginning next April, Grade 12 English teachers will be invited to recommend which of their students planning to come to UBC can write English competently. Those students not recommended will write a diagnostic essay test in May administered by UBC's English department, the results of which will be sent to each student through school principals in late May.

The diagnostic test will only be given in those school districts which agree to co-operate with UBC's Department of English.

The aim of the procedure, the report from the Senate Committee on Standards in English states, is "not to exclude students from the University, but to determine in advance ... which of them need a remedial composition program." The English department now organizes workshops and special remedial English 100 sections for these students on the basis of a diagnostic essay written in the first week of classes in September.

During the discussion of the proposal by Senate, Prof. Robert Clark from the Economics department said he feared that high school teachers would be "rather lenient" in their evaluation of the competence in written English of their students and "can be subject to the obvious sorts of pressures to do so."

Another major objection to the proposal was that the test might introduce an implicit admissions policy which may discourage some students from attending UBC.

Dr. Jonathan Wisenthal, a member of the committee which drew up the proposal, said that the possible encouragement for students to go elsewhere if they realized they would be subject to remedial programs at UBC might be "a most healthy result."

If the student were informed in May that he would have to take a remedial program in English, Dr. Wisenthal argued, he could take steps to work on his English over the summer which would result in great savings in time for the student and a great savings in funds for UBC.

UBC's Centre for Continuing Education is considering offering a special course during the summer in several areas of the province for students who have been advised they will have to enrol in the remedial program in the fall.

Report referred

A report on exam policies and practices has been referred by Senate to UBC's 12 faculties for discussion and comment.

Among other things, the report recommends:

- That all first- and second-year students be examined in December and April unless the relevant dean or department head grants exemption.

- That Senate re-emphasize and insist on adherence to Senate policy that forbids any formal or informal exam in lecture periods in the two weeks preceding the formal exam period.

- A ban on smoking during exams.

- Curtailment of "take-home" exams, described in the report as "a pernicious institution" and "an open invitation to collusion."

The report, the work of a committee established in response to complaints about exams, will be returned to Senate after being debated by the faculties.

During discussion of the report at the Nov. 12 Senate meeting, Dr. Peter Suedfeld, head of the Psychology department, said the report "invites the Senate to meddle in what I think is an unwarranted way" in the affairs of the faculties.

Prof. Malcolm McGregor, chairman of the committee that prepared the report, said exam regulations "ideally should originate with the faculty, but unfortunately our investigation and our complaints show that the sinners ... are the faculty, and to put it very bluntly, a great many Christmas examinations are not given during the normal period because faculty wish to have a month holiday."

Senate sets election date

UBC students will go to the polls on Jan. 28, 1976, to elect 17 student members of Senate and two student representatives to the Board of Governors.

The election date, as well as dates for the call and close of nominations, were approved at the Nov. 12 meeting of Senate.

Senate also voted to ask the provincial government to amend the *Universities Act* to allow for two-year terms for student Senators and Governors. Terms for students are now limited to one year.

The call for nominations for the student Senate and Board representatives will be made on Friday (Nov. 21). Nominations will close on Dec. 19, the last day of the first term of the current Winter Session.

Students elected to the Board will take office at the Board meeting of Feb. 4, 1976, and the student Senators at the Senate meeting of April 23.

Advance polls for both elections will be held on

Senate rejects awards motion

A motion to recommend to the Board of Governors that UBC no longer accept scholarships and prizes that are available to only one sex has been rejected by the University Senate.

The motion, proposed by Student Senator Ron Walls, included a proviso that such awards could be accepted only when a sex limitation was stipulated in the will of the deceased donor.

Mr. Walls told the Nov. 12 meeting of Senate that there would be drawbacks for the University if the motion passed because "there is the possibility that certain funds that are available to students would be lost."

But he said he was asking Senate to make a positive statement to the effect that "when a person enters this University he or she becomes a student, not a female student or a male student, but a student."

He emphasized that his proposal would apply only to academic awards and not to bursaries.

UBC's president, Dr. Douglas Kenny, who is also the chairman of Senate, said it is University policy to discourage donors from being specific about awards, and to encourage them to word award statements as broadly as possible.

Prof. Robert Clark, of UBC's Department of Economics, referred to a written rationale for the motion prepared by Mr. Walls. The rationale stated, in reference to an award that specified that it go to a man or to a woman: "The crime or injustice, if you will, is the same in both cases."

Prof. Clark said there are laws which properly prohibit sex discrimination in employment and other matters. However, making a gift to the University for the establishment of an award is not in the same category. He said he agreed with the existing University policy of asking donors to make their gifts as free of restrictions as possible.

Mr. David Brousson, a Convocation member of Senate, said he would be concerned at any action that would serve to discourage individuals or organizations from making gifts for awards.

He cited the case where a company might want to establish an award open to the sons or daughters of its employees. "This seems to me to be equally discriminatory because the award is not open to the general public," he said.

The motion, when put to a vote, was defeated by a substantial majority.

UBC exam study approved

UBC's Senate has voted to request its admissions committee to "examine the desirability and feasibility of University entrance examinations."

The action came at the Nov. 12 meeting of Senate following a short debate on a motion by Prof. John Dennison, of UBC's Faculty of Education.

Prof. Dennison emphasized that his motion was "not a call for the imminent establishment of entrance exams of any kind. It is a charge to the admissions committee to begin, without prejudice, a systematic investigation of the feasibility and desirability of some form of entrance examination."

He said he hoped the committee would call for expressions of views from every segment of the University and from outside the campus, especially from the high schools.

"I do not find it unreasonable to suggest that it is irresponsible for this University to admit students who are ill-prepared academically to take maximum

Jan. 27 at three campus locations — the common blocks of the Totem Park, Place Vanier and Walter H. Gage Residences.

Regular polling stations for the Jan. 28 election will be set up at 11 locations: the Student Union, Buchanan, Civil Engineering, Education, MacMillan, Law and Henry Angus Buildings; in the Woodward, Main and Sedgewick Libraries; and in the War Memorial Gymnasium.

Senate also specified three categories of students as being eligible to vote in the election, provided the students were registered on Nov. 21.

Eligible are: (1) all students taking at least 12 units of course work in a study program of 15 to 18 units, or at least four-fifths of a prescribed study program, exclusive of those registered in the Faculty of Graduate Studies; (2) all "on-campus" doctoral students; and (3) all other students registered in the Faculty of Graduate Studies taking at least 6 units of course work.

Senate also authorized the registrar, who is responsible for the conduct of all elections under the terms of the *Universities Act*, to make public the name of each nominee as soon as nominations have been checked and found to be in order.

Candidates must also limit their campaign spending to \$75.00 under a regulation approved by Senate.

The decision to ask for two-year terms of office came after a brief debate by Senate on a motion by Student Senator Ron Walls, who said the present one-year terms resulted in "a problem of continuity among student Senators."

One year of service made it difficult to get experience on Senate and to learn to work with and understand Senate committees, he said.

The chairman of Senate, President Douglas Kenny, said that a similar motion had been placed before the Board at its last meeting. He said the Board had asked for the views of the Alma Mater Society before making a decision.

Mr. Walls said his motion was made on the initiative of the executive of the AMS.

Dean Noel Hall, of the Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration, suggested an amendment agreed to by Senate, which allows student Senators and student Governors to serve for two-terms only "so long as they remain a full-time student at the University of B.C."

Bursary awarded

A UBC Recreation Education student has been awarded the 1975 Heather Lawson Memorial Bursary.

Mr. Stanley W. Batt will use the \$150 award to further his studies. He will receive his Bachelor of Recreation Education degree in May, 1976.

The bursary was established as a memorial to the late Heather Lawson by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D.J. Lawson of Victoria, following their daughter's death in a skiing accident in March, 1972.

The award is made annually to a student with sound academic standing and all-round qualities of leadership who is enrolled in the UBC program leading to the Bachelor of Recreation Education.

Mr. Batt is a graduate of Vancouver Community College and has provided leadership in community centres and community schools. He has also worked with the emotionally handicapped. His chief interests are in leisure counselling and the community school movement.

advantage of a university education," Prof. Dennison said, "and then to place them in a remedial program that is clearly inappropriate to the functions of this University."

Student Senator Ron Walls suggested that Senate should debate the question of entrance examinations at the Nov. 12 meeting "since UBC is making a statement about admission policy simply by asking the admissions committee to investigate."

A second Student Senator, Mr. Gordon Funt, said the admissions committee should look at "more than just this one solution of University entrance examinations," and suggested that the committee should be given broader terms of reference.

Prof. Cyril Finnegan, chairman of the Senate admissions committee, assured Senate that the committee had no prior opinions on the question of entrance exams and would investigate the matter without prejudice.

Board names Medicine head

Dr. John H. Dirks, McGill University physiology professor and a senior physician to the Royal Victoria Hospital in Montreal, has been appointed head of the Department of Medicine in UBC's Faculty of Medicine.

The appointment is effective April 1, 1976. Dr. David Bates, dean of medicine at UBC, said Dr. Dirks plans to spend about one week each month in Vancouver before taking up full-time residence in April.

Dean Bates also announced that Dr. David Lirenman, head of the UBC section of pediatric nephrology at the Vancouver General Hospital, has been appointed associate dean for continuing medical education, effective immediately.

Both men are graduates of the University of Manitoba, Dr. Dirks in 1957 and Dr. Lirenman in 1960, and both are fellows of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons in Canada.

After completion of medical residencies and a year of research at the Montreal General Hospital, Dr. Dirks became a visiting scientist at the National Heart Institute in Bethesda, Maryland.

He returned to Canada in 1965 to head a new division of renal and electrolyte medicine at the McGill University clinic of the Royal Victoria Hospital, becoming a full professor in 1974.

Dr. Lirenman took his postgraduate residencies in Boston and Minnesota before joining the Department of Paediatrics at UBC in 1966.

Administrator gets new post

Mr. John F. McLean has been appointed to a new position as Director of Personnel Analysis and Policy for the University of B.C.

The appointment was approved by the University's Board of Governors on Nov. 4 and announced by Dr. Douglas Kenny, President of UBC.

Mr. McLean has been Director of Personnel, Labor Relations and Ancillary Services at UBC since 1962. In his new position he will undertake long-range studies and provide the University administration with information and recommendations on policy changes in a variety of matters dealing with personnel and related services.

Among other things, he will analyse existing UBC personnel and collective bargaining policies, examine the application of Workers' Compensation Board regulations to UBC, study safety procedures on campus, and examine the University's long-range parking and transportation needs.

At his request Mr. McLean has been granted a three-month leave of absence, beginning Dec. 1, before taking up his new duties.

Mr. McLean, 64, was born and educated in Vancouver. He received his B.A. from UBC in 1931 and was a teacher and administrator in B.C. schools until 1940, when he joined the Canadian Army. He won the Distinguished Service Order and was discharged in 1945, when he joined UBC as a counsellor.

Ban on smoking

Non-smokers will soon have relief from all that second-hand smoke floating about in lecture rooms, elevators and cafeterias at UBC.

At its meeting on Nov. 12, UBC's Senate passed a regulation prohibiting smoking in study areas, elevators, public washrooms, indoor recreation areas and theatres and agreed to recommend to the Board of Governors that tobacco "not be used in any form in any room of a food establishment where food is cooked, prepared or displayed."

The non-smokers relief regulation, proposed by Student Senator Garry Moore, also reaffirms University regulations approved in 1934 which prohibit smoking during examinations and in lecture rooms either during or between lectures.

"It is a well-documented fact," said Mr. Moore, "that two-thirds of cigarette smoke that is produced by a burning cigarette enters the surrounding atmosphere and does not go into the person who is smoking it. ... In this era of heightened awareness of the dangers of smoking, I would appreciate it if Senate would reaffirm its policy."

The regulation passed by Senate allows for special smoking areas to be set aside in all University buildings and separate sections set up for smokers in all eating areas.

UBC president concerned about fourth university

UBC's president, Dr. Douglas T. Kenny, said Friday (Nov. 14) he found the idea of a fourth public university in the province an "interesting" one but added that he was "concerned about its implications."

Education Minister Eileen Dailly announced Thursday (Nov. 13) that she has asked the Universities Council of B.C. to start work immediately on plans for the new university. The minister also announced that Notre Dame University at Nelson, which was to be phased out in June, 1976, would continue in operation for one more year and would then become the first campus of the new university.

NEED SEEN

Dr. Kenny said he agrees that there is a need to provide greater educational opportunities for the people of Interior centres, but that he is "concerned about both the educational and fiscal implications of starting a fourth university at this time."

"We will be happy to assist the minister of education and the Universities Council in any way we can to improve access to university education for the people of the Interior," he said. "We have been concerned for some time about this need and have been working on plans to help to meet it."

Dr. Kenny pointed out that, at the request of the Department of Education, faculty members at UBC have been at work for some time developing programs and courses which they might offer at Nelson.

(Under a plan announced in August, courses were to be given at the NDU campus by faculty members drawn from UBC, Simon Fraser University and the University of Victoria.)

President Kenny said that under the new plan announced Thursday by Mrs. Dailly, UBC's role is not immediately clear.

He pointed out that UBC has a long tradition of offering continuing education programs in locations throughout B.C., particularly for members of the professions — doctors, nurses, teachers, lawyers, social workers, engineers, agriculturists, foresters and others.

"We feel an obligation to continue offering this kind of education to the people of the Interior for whom it is essential," Dr. Kenny said. "I hope that any future developments envisaged by the minister will take this into account."

Dr. Kenny also said that UBC is about to launch a new series of lectures, short courses and seminars given by UBC faculty members at community colleges in the Okanagan, Cariboo and West Kootenay regions.

"I hope the Universities Council study will lead to a system that is both effective and economical," Dr. Kenny said.

HIGH QUALITY

"It is important for the new university to offer programs that are of high quality. It is equally important that this be done in a way that is consistent with the obligation on all of our institutions to remain fiscally responsible."

"I am sure that the minister and the council will want the programs offered through the new university to be of the same high standard as those available in Vancouver and Victoria. And I trust that the costs involved in establishing the new institution and providing these programs will not detract from adequate financing of the existing universities."

Events focus on sub base

A series of events designed to focus attention on construction of a Trident nuclear submarine base on Washington's Olympic Peninsula begins tomorrow (Thursday) on the UBC campus.

Trident Concern Week is sponsored by UBC's Alma Mater Society and Arts Undergraduate Society in association with the Pacific Life Community, a group of Canadians and Americans who organized in Vancouver in January, 1975, to oppose the Trident submarine and its missile system and to promote non-violence.

Trident Concern Week opens at 12:30 p.m. tomorrow (Thursday) in the Student Union Building auditorium with the showing of two films and the playing of a musical collage, entitled Threnody, by Vancouver composer R. Murray Schafer. The same program will be repeated on Monday, Nov. 24, at 7:30 p.m. in SUB ballroom.

Speakers during Trident Concern Week from Nov. 24 to 28 include Mr. Robert Aldridge, a member of the Trident missile design group, who resigned his post with Lockheed Missiles and Space Corp. as a protest against the missile's strike capabilities; Ms. Mary Kaufman, a former United States prosecuting attorney at the Nuremberg War Trials; and Dr. William Epstein, a former special advisor to United Nations' disarmament commissions.

Also taking part will be 10 members of the Japan Council Against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs, led by the Venerable Gyotsu Sato, a Second World War bomber pilot for the Japanese Air Force, who is now a Buddhist monk.

The Pacific Life Community says the base for the

Trident nuclear submarine will be built at Bangor, Wash., on the Hood Canal opposite Seattle. The 10 Trident submarines that will be stationed there will reach the Pacific Ocean through the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

The Pacific Life Community says each submarine will carry 24 missiles with a firing range of 4,500 miles. Each missile, it's claimed, will be equipped with 17 nuclear warheads that can be independently targeted to different destinations. Thus, the 10-ship fleet stationed at Bangor will pack 4,080 nuclear weapons capable of striking as many targets, the Pacific Life Community claims.

The 18,000-ton Trident submarines are the equivalent of nearly two football fields in length and four storeys in height, says the Pacific Life Community, and have a cruising speed of 40 miles an hour.

Trident Concern Week will conclude with a send-off of a Pacific Life Community "Trident Trek" to Ottawa. The trek will consist of a mobile workshop on non-violence that will stop en route to Ottawa in Calgary, Edmonton, Regina, Winnipeg, Toronto, Guelph and Montreal. It will arrive in Ottawa in the week of Dec. 15-21.

Pamphlets outlining all the events in Trident Concern Week at UBC will be available on campus. Here are some highlights of the week.

MONDAY, NOV. 24

12:30 p.m. — Workshop on non-violence by the Pacific Life Community. Room 215, SUB.

TUESDAY, NOV. 25

12:30 p.m. — Robert Aldridge on "Trident: The Ultimate First-Strike Weapon." Auditorium, SUB.

7:30 p.m. — Mary Kaufman on "Trident and International Law." Lecture Hall No. 2, Woodward Instructional Resources Centre.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 26

12:30 p.m. — Dr. William Epstein on "Trident and the Nuclear Arms Race." Ballroom, SUB.

7:30 p.m. — Robert Aldridge, William Epstein and NDP MP Stuart Leggatt, "The Trident Deal: Washington, Ottawa and Lockheed." Lecture Hall No. 2, IRC.

THURSDAY, NOV. 27

9:00-12:00 a.m. — Meeting on nuclear disarmament. Rooms 207-209, SUB.

12:30 p.m. — NDP MLAs Peter Rolston and Harold Steeves, Venerable Gyotsu Sato, and other speakers on "What Can We Do To Stop Trident?" Ballroom, SUB.

7:00-11:00 p.m. — Presentation "From Hiroshima to Bangor" by Japan Council Against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs. Lecture Hall No. 2, IRC.

FRIDAY, NOV. 28

12:30 p.m. — Various speakers on "Guns or Butter? World Poverty and the Arms Race." Auditorium, SUB.

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UBC bus now runs at night

UBC has taken two steps recently to make the campus safer at night, especially for women fearing sexual attacks.

On the initiative of the University Patrol, the campus shuttlebus service along the Main Mall between the Bookstore and B Parking Lot has been extended to almost midnight.

And Prof. Erich Vogt, Vice-President for Faculty and Student Affairs, has ordered a study of lighting around residences to determine potential danger areas where better lighting is needed.

Both moves follow circulation of a petition last month by a student in UBC's School of Nursing, calling for immediate action to alleviate the danger of sexual attacks on women.

The extended bus service was begun Nov. 10 on a two-week trial basis. Mr. Hugh Kelly, UBC's Superintendent of Traffic and Security, said a decision about continuing the service would be made by next Monday (Nov. 24).

From Monday through Thursday, the last run of the shuttle service leaves the Bookstore at 11:40 p.m., 40 minutes after the Library closes.

On Fridays, when the Library closes at 6:00 p.m., the last bus leaves the Bookstore at 6:30 p.m. There is no bus service on Saturday, when the Library closes at 5:00 p.m., but on Sunday nights the shuttle service runs from 7:00 to 11:40 p.m.

FAILURE

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Since 1971, the percentage of full-time, first-year students who pass their April exams has been declining and the number who fail or withdraw has been increasing.

Mr. Shirran comments in his report that the table may indicate the development of a cyclical pattern in the pass and no-credit rates for first-year students.

The report also includes statistics linking the high school grade-point average of B.C. high school graduates with their performance in full-time, first-year programs at UBC.

In 1975, full-time students who obtained a first-class average in the first year at UBC had a high school grade-point average of 3.58 (81.6 per cent); those who got a second-class average at UBC had a high school grade-point average of 3.10 (73 per cent); pass students at UBC had averaged 2.73 (69.3 per cent) in high school.

First-year students who failed their April exams in 1975 had a high school grade-point average of 2.48, or 64.8 per cent. Those who withdrew from the University had a high school grade-point average of 2.64, or 67.4 per cent.

Mr. Shirran said a great deal of caution had to be used in interpreting the statistics contained in the report. "It may or may not be true," he said, "that students are coming to UBC less well prepared than in the past. Examinations are not infallible and are to some extent subjective and relative.

"What is clear from these statistics is that good high school students make good University students and that high school grades remain a reliable predictor of how well a student will do at University."

PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL FULL-TIME, FIRST-YEAR UBC STUDENTS RECEIVING "PASS" OR "NO-CREDIT" STANDINGS IN THE PERIOD 1962 TO 1975.

YEAR	% PASS 1st, 2nd, Pass	% NO CREDIT Failed or Withdrew
1962	33.0	33.5
1963	39.0	23.7
1964	41.1	24.0
1965	44.4	20.9
1966	44.7	22.7
1967	48.8	22.1
1968	54.3	17.2
1969	60.2	15.2
1970	61.4	14.4
1971	67.1	11.3
1972	66.1	11.9
1973	63.5	14.5
1974	60.3	14.5
1975	51.5	17.3

N.B. Percentages added across for any one year do not total 100 per cent because table does not include percentage of full-time students who received partial credit for first-year work.



WHILE one book buyer continues to browse, others line up to pay for purchases during UBC Bookstore's book event of the year. Wide range of books at

substantial savings are included in the event, which continues Monday through Saturday until Nov. 29. Picture by Jim Banham.

UBC day care report under study

The need for day care facilities on the UBC campus would appear to be double what is now available, according to a final report from the President's Ad Hoc Committee on Day Care Facilities.

The waiting list for day care places and a questionnaire sent out by the committee show a need for day care facilities for 125 children in addition to the 144 places now taken in the campus's eight centres.

The report, submitted to the Board of Governors at its meeting Nov. 4, was the work of 10 people appointed by former President Walter Gage in May, 1975. The committee was chaired by Dr. Lynda Erickson of the Political Science department, and included members of the Department of Finance and Physical Plant, the Office of Student Services, the Faculty of Education, and the Alma Mater Society, as well as representatives from the AUCE and the Day Care Council, the Dean of Women, and the Day Care Co-ordinator.

The report has been tabled until the Board's Dec. 2 meeting so that Vice-President of Faculty and Student Affairs Erich Vogt will have a chance to study it.

Among the 10 recommendations stated in the report are: that the University recognize that co-operative day care centres such as those on campus do not meet the needs of faculty and staff, who do not have the freedom to help at the centre during the day, and that those needs be considered a priority; that the expansion of day care facilities on campus be done initially through the conversion of huts in Acadia Camp which are not now being used for day care or for student housing; and that the University investigate the possibilities of major financing of new day care buildings through means such as Central Mortgage and Housing loans.

The eight day care centres at UBC now provide care for 144 children between the ages of 18 months and five years. Although the facilities are available to students, staff and faculty, 80 per cent of the places are taken by children of students, while the remaining 20 per cent accommodate the children of staff and faculty. This unequal distribution is due, the report says, to the co-operative nature of the centres, which requires parents to spend time during the weekday running the centre physically.

"While the staff and faculty can find evening and weekend time for most of the ... tasks, their day schedules are usually not flexible enough to allow them to put in the required duty time. For this reason alone, more than any other, they are unable to meet one of the basic requirements for admission and

have to forego the benefits of day care for their children," the report states.

The continuing need for day care on campus is "part of the changing nature of life styles among the students, staff and faculty at the University." The report points out that more single parents are enrolling as students, more mature women are returning to study, and there has been an increase in the number of single-parent families whose sole support is a staff or faculty person and in the participation of married women in the work force in general.

There are three day care centres between Alma Road and the UBC campus which can provide space for 60 children. About 20 per cent of those spaces are filled by children whose parents work on campus. The report explains that "the age structure of people who study and work on campus means a disproportionate number who are potentially parent clientele for day care centres," and that "given the size of this population, it is not feasible that the local community just outside the University can absorb the day care needs of the University community."

The day-to-day operations of campus day care are now financed by parents' fees with the University supplying rent-free the huts in Acadia Camp in which the centres are located. The University has also recently allocated \$20,000 for upgrading the condition of the day care huts. Financial arrangements for the conversion of the huts have been made by parents who solicited funds from private foundations, the provincial government and other sources. The position of the Day Care Co-ordinator, which is responsible for overseeing the eight campus centres, is funded through a grant from the provincial Department of Human Resources.

"In canvassing alternative methods for financing expansion of day care on the campus, the Committee was aware of the fact that the Report of the Universities' Council effectively curtailed the option of large-scale expansion from the University's capital budget."

The report says that expansion through the conversion of Acadia Camp huts is the best method of providing more day care at UBC, but that "in the long run the day care centres will be forced to relocate as the present structures reach the stage where the cost of maintenance far exceeds their worth," and recommends that "the University should take the leadership role in arranging for the financing of required renovations."

The 10-member committee which submitted the report will be invited to the Dec. 2 meeting of the Board of Governors to discuss the report's recommendations.