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are under tremendous stress. They are in fear of being cut back. They are in fear of being surplus," Fahiman said.

The forum took a strange twist when SU president, Tim Boston, asked why teachers were asking for a 12% increase in salaries when the government was cutting back.

"I have to teach all these kids because I wanted a 12% pay increase," Boston mimicked.

Thomas said that the largest pay increase teachers got this year was 2%.

The majority of speeches were just quoting each other's version of statistics. While Duncan and Palmer said that the actual cut last year was 1.9%, Fahiman and Thomas believe that the cut was in the area of 10%.

"Creative use of statistics has been the saving grace of this government for a long time," said Chumir.



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Foreign students in Canada decline

OTTAWA (CUP) — Secretary of State David Crombie has announced four new initiatives which may help address the drastic decline in the number of foreign students studying in Canada.

The announcement came on the heels of a report by the Canadian Bureau of International Education (CBIE) which shows that there has been a cumulative decline of nearly 20 per cent of foreign student enrolment since 1982-83.

Crombie said at a November 3 CBIE conference that his ministry would finance two studies and a film on international students.

He said one of the studies would examine the "backgrounds, attitudes and perceptions" of foreign students currently studying in Canada and the other would look at how the students fare in their own countries upon completion of a Canadian education. The film would raise public awareness of the benefits international students bring to Canadian society.

James Fox, CBIE's director of policy and public relations said the announcements are a positive first step.

"For years there has been confusion over policies related to international students. Crombie's speech was the first substantive comment that we have heard from a federal government minister on this issue. We have been trying to identify where in government is the responsibility for foreign students and it's good to know the Secretary of State feels responsible for international student in Canada," said Fox.

Crombie said the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) will offer more development assistance programme scholarships to foreign students this year — up from 6000 last year to 7000 this year.

"We are easing the employment

rules affecting foreign students and their spouses so they can work while they're in Canada (and the minister of employment and immigration said he would look at the fairness of the unemployment insurance scheme as it applies to foreign students," said Crombie at the conference.

The CBIE report noted that Canada's "intake of international students is unplanned and unguided by policies which reflect our national interest."

For example, "not one student from Namibia was studying in a formal university programme in 1986-87 during a time when Canada committed itself to the cause of preparing the majority in Southern Africa for full participation in their societies," said Fox, quoting the report.

More and more of the international students coming to Canada's universities are from wealthy backgrounds. Only 2.6 per cent of foreign students studying in Canada last year were from the least developed countries and that proportion is declining each year.

"Although Canada opened its doors to students from all countries (during 1986-87), the size of the opening seemed to be related to the GNP per capita of the country sending students," notes the report.

"The richer the country, the more students were admitted to Canada. About 56 per cent of all international students in Canada are from countries with a GNP per capita about \$5500 (U.S.)."

Seven of the ten provinces now

Rehab Medicine expansion

by Smita Sharma

The Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine is undergoing a massive expansion to meet "a critical urgent manpower shortage," says Dean Martha Piper of Rehab Medicine.

Recently, there have not been enough therapists turned out to meet the needs of Canada's handicapped and aging population, said Piper.

Rehab Medicine is presently scattered throughout Corbett Hall, two sets of detached trailers on the south end of Corbett, as well as the Corbett Hall trailer complex and Garneau Professional Building on

Whyte Avenue, said Piper.

Corbett Hall would be an ideal location for the aggregation of the faculty, since it is near 112 - 114 st. and 87 ave.; an area all related to Health Sciences, said Piper.

The expansion would recruit faculty and students and enable the "marriage of research and education. It is a new field to discover new innovations," said Piper.

It will be the largest program in Western Canada. "There is no such program in Calgary, and it is one of only three graduate programs in the country. This is the only one in occupational therapy," said Piper.

Obtaining the money to renovate Corbett Hall was a long process. "Corbett Hall," says Dale Nagel, SU VP Academic, "was up for restoration. The provincial government approved \$10 million" for its restoration. One faculty was needed to occupy the building.

The Academic Development committee worked with Rehabilitation Medicine in presenting to the plan to the Facilities Development Committee, where their proposal was accepted. Then the Planning and Priorities Committee accepted and endorsed them.

The money to run the educational program mainly comes from government funding. There is also funding from external research as well as from private foundations (such as the arthritis, MS and other research foundations)

The expansion program is in its

second year of a four year plan.

The short term plan is to add trailers, and in the long term for Rehab to occupy all of Corbett, said Piper.

The main problem with the long term plan is that presently, half of the main portion of Corbett Hall is occupied by the Faculty of Extension, a third by Rehab. Med., and the rest by Drama.

Drama will remain for the short term basis, until it finds a new theatre. Eventually, though, both faculties will have to find new places, so that Rehab. Med. will be able to occupy the whole building, said Piper.

So far, the increasing of quotas has already had some results in the faculty. Traditionally there had been mainly females, but due to the increasing number of jobs, this is changing. Dean Piper notices that "now in the staff, there are more males than females."

The increase in the undergrad program in the last year has been from 482 to 583 students — with a ratio of 55 males: 427 females increasing to 70 males: 453 females, according to statistics supplied by the faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine.

There are presently 30 students in the graduate program.

In the end of the long-term plan, the quota will go up to 600 undergraduates, and with the development of the Ph.D. program, an increase to 100 graduate students.

impose differential fees for foreign students.

"For essentially the same educational service the fees paid by international students in Canada varied by as much as 700 per cent" explained the report.

There are approximately 35,155 international students at post-secondary institutions in Canada. They make up about 3.6 per cent of the total enrolment, down from 5.2 per cent in 1983-83.

Last year foreign student enrolment dropped 6.9 per cent in the Atlantic provinces, 5 per cent in Quebec, 13.4 per cent in Ontario, 2.8 per cent in the Prairie provinces, 8 per cent in British Columbia and 8 per cent overall.

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