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The title of Liberal M.P. Paul Martin's riding, according to U of A Liberal club leaflets: LaSalle-et-Merde.

## Students' Union battles quotas

by Lisa Hall

The Students' Union is organizing a forum for Arts and Science students in order to express concerns over quotas in these faculties.

The forum, to be held Wednesday at noon in Dinwoodie, will see the SU host Dr Peter Meekison, university vp academic, plus faculty representatives from Arts and Science in a discussion on the quotas. Students will also be able to ask questions.

A quota proposal has passed preliminary levels in both faculties, and the SU would like to slow down the implementation process in order to examine the idea of quotas more closely.

The SU felt the proposal failed to deal with a number of important issues, including the fact that government funding would be cut if quotas are introduced.

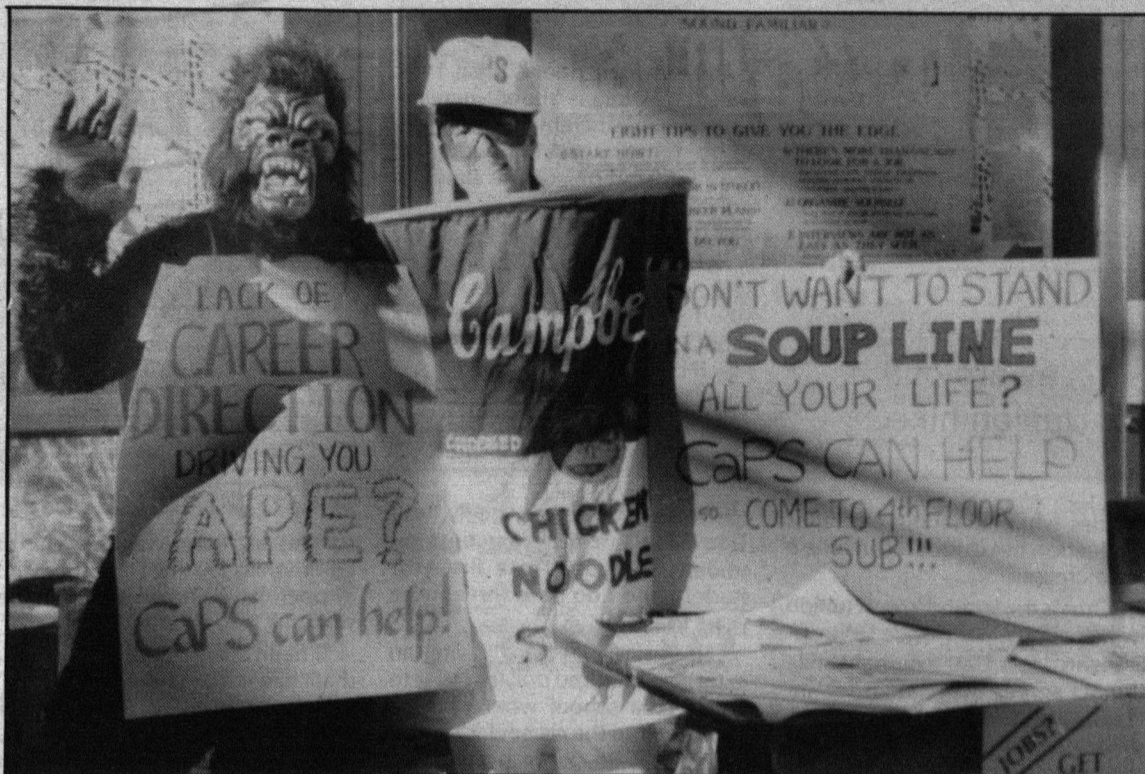
"The University operates on growth funding," explained SU vp academic Suresh Mustapha. The University receives a fixed operating cost, and on top of that receives some funding on a per student basis. If the University is educating less students, it will receive less funding.

The SU is also concerned whether or not the lack of funds, which has been stated as the major reason for implementing quotas, is an external or an internal problem. "We'd like to determine if the funding problem is because of a lack of government funds or if it has to do with a funding distribution problem within

the University," said vp external Wade Deisman.

The SU executive feels there has been an overall lack of student input into the faculty of Arts quota proposal. "We want to have a chance to look at the proposal and see if we can help to improve it, to see if anything better is available," said Mustapha.

The SU is also helping to fill various student seats on the Arts Faculty Council which are currently vacant. The Arts quota proposal will be discussed at the council's Nov. 6 meeting. "We can't interfere with faculty business, but we can inform the student representatives about the implications of the quotas," said Mustapha.



Ron Sears

### Let these people help find you a job

CaPS workers, taking advantage of the Hallowe'en season, found an excuse to attract some attention to the job-finding organization's display in HUB International Mall.

## Summer school set for expansion

by Pat Kiernan and Dawn Lerohl

Although enrolment in the spring and summer sessions is never likely to rival that of the fall and winter sessions, there are improvements underway that may ultimately make summertime study a more realistic alternative.

The General Faculties Council (GFC) has approved a proposal to revise policies relating to special sessions. The changes give greater recognition to the value of spring and summer session courses as a part of the University's overall curriculum.

Director of Special Sessions Lloyd Cardswell notes that spring and summer sessions can make courses available to students that might not otherwise be able to take them. These initial changes are "primarily to the advantage of the part time student and meant to improve our quality of service."

Improved service means more courses will be available, and that it will be easier for students to work spring and summer work into their overall schedules.

Two years from now, when the initiatives take effect, Cardswell says

students will notice "better sequencing" in course offerings. Students trying to accelerate their programs will be better able to schedule a cohesive program that provides the courses they really want.

Spring and summer sessions have seen consistent gains in enrolment over recent years. It's many years away, but eventually the so-called "Interession" may become a realistic alternative to fall and winter sessions.

Ultimately, a greater emphasis

on interession work could alleviate some of the University's problems with overcrowding. But that's "not a priority," according to Cardswell.

"The whole thing could lead to a better utilization of our facilities," said Dr. Gordon Fearn, Chairman of the Special Sessions Committee. He adds that the current emphasis on undergraduate course offerings could be complemented by an increase in the number of summer

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## Monthly bus pass proposal on way to City Council

by Lisa Hall

A major step towards a cheaper bus pass will be confronted on Wednesday. Representatives from the University of Alberta and The Edmonton Caucus of Post-Secondary Students will meet with Edmonton City Council's executive committee to discuss their new bus pass proposal.

The proposal asks for a change in the Edmonton Transit Student Pak, which currently offers four monthly passes sold together for \$137, or a saving of ten per cent. The Caucus would like to see the monthly passes sold individually at the same discount or an even higher discount of 15 per cent. "We'd like to phase out the trimester pass, and bring in a monthly student pass," said Dawn Noyes, the U of A's bus pass campaign co-ordinator.

Noyes has spoken with several aldermen who sit on the executive committee, and said they had seemed in favor of the concept. "They want transit ridership to in-

crease," said Noyes, adding that the latest ridership survey showed transit use in the university area had decreased by 15 per cent.

The Caucus is trying to get support

for the proposal by saying that more students would use public transportation if it were cheaper. They will also be doing educational campaigns to promote transit use

as an economical, environmentally-friendly method of transportation. "We're going to try to get people to re-examine their habits," said Noyes. "Edmonton is very private-vehicle

oriented."

If the executive committee passes the proposal, it will go to City Council on Nov. 14 for approval. Noyes hopes that then the new monthly passes can become available starting in January.



Cheaper buses may be coming our way.

Renee Baril

In conjunction with the bus pass proposal's visit to City Council, a post-card campaign is being launched to show support for a new bus pass.

Distribution of the cards will begin on Wednesday at all campus info-booths. Students who currently use Edmonton Transit, or who would use it if it were more economical, will be encouraged to sign the cards, which will be collected on Nov. 10.

If the bus pass proposal passes City Council's executive committee, the proposal and the post-cards will be presented together to City Council on Nov 14.

Representatives from the U of A's bus pass campaign will be visiting classes, clubs, residences, and fraternities to inform students about the campaign.