

U of T grads unemployed

TORONTO (CUP) - A 30 per cent decrease in employment for the University of Toronto's education graduates this year has prompted the faculty to make changes in its program.

The education student union reported that of 1,752 graduates from last year only 800 had found jobs by Sept. 6.

The faculty's associate dean said the figures are inflated because many graduates fail to notify the student union when they find teaching positions. However the admissions officer has been advising prospective students of the plummeting employment.

Program changes include the introduction of two new courses to take advantage of high demand areas, a new admissions policy and preferential treatment for students with four year degrees.

OFS referendum

LONDON (CUP) - Students at the University of Western Ontario will vote this fall on their continued membership in the Ontario Federation of Students (OFS/FEO), the students' council has decided.

The 60-member University Students' Council (USC) voted last spring to hold the referendum, a move prompted by council members who objected to OFS campaign literature.

But the OFS executive claims to "welcome" the referendum because it provides an "opportunity for extensive discussions with students" about the federation.

One of the new courses is designed for slower learners and the other for teaching English as a second language.

Applications for admissions, formerly dealt with on a first-come-first-serve-basis, will be taken between Nov. 1 and Feb. 1 and none will be accepted or rejected until all applications are in. In addition consideration will be given to the demand for the subject students wish to teach.

Man turns tricks

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA (ENS/CUP) - A 46 year-old man here is offering himself as a household pet.

Joseph Holman, who says he's been unable to find employment for the last two years, announced that if he is accepted, he is willing to "perform tricks like a pet for my master and mistress."

Nuclear threat in U.S.

LOS ANGELES (ENS/CUP) - The world has twice come within 60 seconds of total nuclear annihilation in the past 20 years, according to Daniel Sheehan, attorney for Daniel Ellsberg in the famous Pentagon Papers case.

In both cases the U.S. was the country that almost set off a nuclear holocaust, Sheehan said in a recent convention here, basing his charges on top secret documents he found while researching legal cases.

He said that in 1958 a commercial airliner crossed the DEW line, a radar network once maintained by the U.S. and Canada, and was wrongly identified as an enemy supersonic missile. Defense installations went to full mobilization status and came within 56 seconds of launching a full-scale nuclear attack on the Soviet Union.

During the Cuban Missile Crisis in 1961, Soviet ships came

within 50 miles of Cuba's coast, defying a U.S. ultimatum to stay at least 64 miles off shore. According to Sheehan the U.S. National Security Council voted unanimously to go on a full, first-strike attack on the Soviet Union,

a move that was blocked only by then-president John Kennedy's veto.

Sheehan said he decided to make the near-disasters public to encourage social action against nuclear warfare.

Skate boredom

LOS ANGELES (ENS/CUP) - Although public stakeboarding is a crime in dozens of American cities, Los Angeles hosted the California Freeform World Professional Skateboard Championships recently.

Prizes went to an 18 year-old who jumped over 18 barrels and

landed on a second skateboard, a 15 year-old who skated upside-down on seven boards at once, and a 19 year-old who set a world's record by performing 15 and one-half 360-degree turns make by tilting the skateboard from end to end.

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