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## Halifax Bible Church Pastor makes more enemies

### Pastor David Brown sets up shop in front of angry protestors

BY AMY DURANT

Students walking past the Dalhousie Student Union Building (SUB) early Wednesday afternoon met with people protesting an open-air sermon held by Halifax Bible Church pastor David Brown.

While the discussion was

reasonably small at first, the group quickly became boisterous.

Brown, accompanied by his wife, passed out fliers — complete with a picture of a hammer and sickle — denouncing the Dalhousie Student Union (DSU) which he claims is “controlled by special interest groups”.

“The Student Union is

driven by the need to appease certain minority groups,” said Brown. “It’s protecting their human rights, and shattering our own”.

Brown says that while his Church is controversial, it’s not hateful.

“What we say is enough to debate,” he said. “It’s enough to have disagreements with”.

Several students stopped to hear what Brown was preaching from his pedestal while others walked by in disgust. One student refused the flier Brown handed to him calling it “hateful literature”.

Shortly after this refusal, Brown commented that people are generally very open to hearing his ideas.

The attention on Wednesday, however, was not all supportive of Brown.

“I didn’t really appreciate the way he called everyone sinners,” said Brady Highway, a second year environmental science student. “We came by at first to see this guy on the pedestal, I called my friends over and said you gotta see this. But how can you really appreciate any of this? He’s just going off at the mouth”.

Brian Kellow, Executive Vice-President of the Dalhousie Student Union (DSU) says Brown does not belong on campus.

“The DSU has a role on campus, we represent over two hundred societies,” said Kellow. “They all foster a climate of tolerance. We’re founded on

respect. There’s just no place for him”

Brown, it seems, doesn’t

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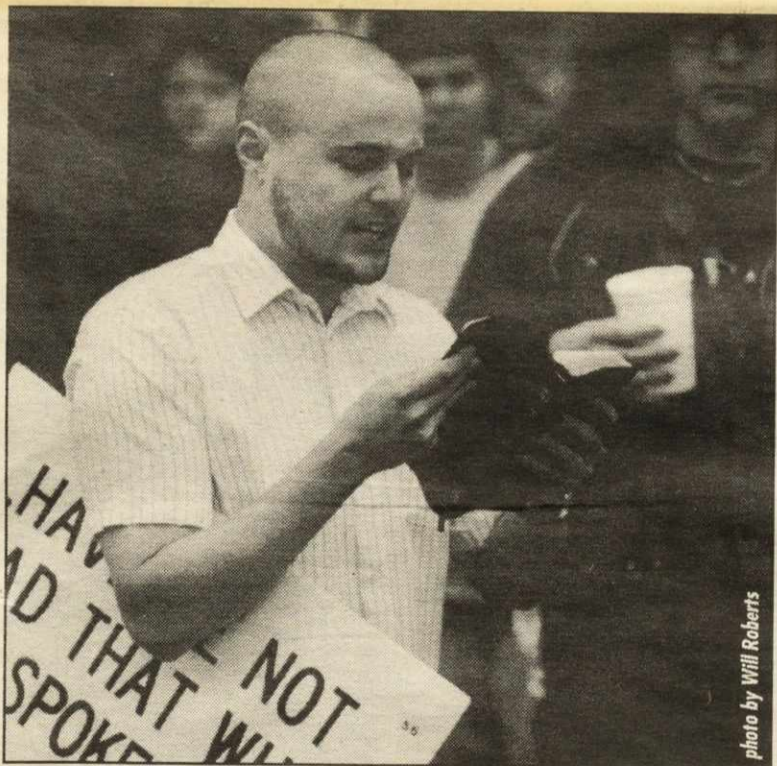


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Sermon on the box: Pastor Brown spreads the harsh word.

## Federal throne speech hints at education initiatives

BY CHRIS BODNAR

OTTAWA (CUP) — The federal government’s latest throne speech gave little attention to post-secondary education funding and is being blasted by opposition parties for meddling in provincial affairs.

Education initiatives announced in the speech included added funding to federal research-granting agencies, expanding Canadian university research in the field of genetics, climate change and advanced engineering,

and the creation of 21 research chairs at Canadian universities.

The Liberal government also announced plans to increase corporate business links with universities.

Few details were given in regard to any of the education plans.

The speech didn’t mention additional funds for federal transfer payments for education, nor did it announce any further commitment to student funding, such as the Millennium Scholarship Fund announced in the 1998

federal budget.

“I think that what they have to do is increase the transfer payments to the provinces,” said Elsie Wayne, a Conservative Party MP.

“It’s the provinces who are in control of education. They’re the ones who set up the programs. It shouldn’t be dictated from up here, it should be negotiated with the provinces, working with them.”

The Liberals have cut \$7

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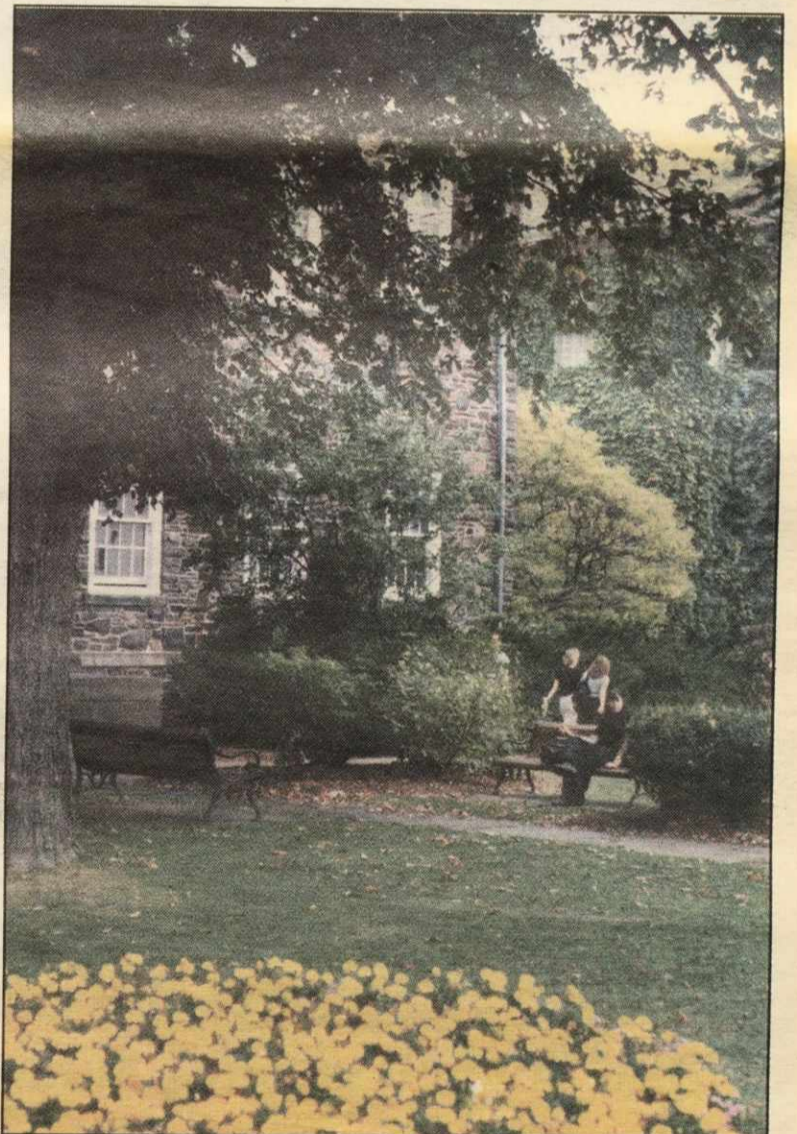


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Sunny, sunny days: Summer sights fade Dal campus drifts into fall.

## Computer Science building opens

### Reviews mixed

BY KATIE TINKER

After various delays and a month and a half of going to classes in every available empty space on campus, computer science students now have a building they can call their own.

The new Computer Science building officially opened its doors to students on Tuesday October 12. Though some say the building is not without its flaws, everyone agrees that having their

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