

# Oak Ridge Science and Eng. Research Semester

Press Release

Are you studying computer science, engineering, physics, environmental and life sciences, mathematics or chemistry? If so, you may be interested in the Oak Ridge Science and Engineering Research Semester.

ORSERS is offering college juniors and seniors an opportunity to do hands-on research at Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Tennessee during the academic year.

ORSERS is part of a nationwide effort by the US Department of Energy to increase to quality and quantity of students preparing for careers in science, mathematics and engineering and is managed by

Oak Ridge Associated Universities, Oak Ridge, Tenn. Participants become members of research teams engaged in long-range, intensive investigations employing advanced facilities and equipment. Fields of study include artificial intelligence, biomedicine, chemistry, environmental and life sciences, computing and telecommunications, physics, mathematics and engineering.

While the emphasis of the program is on hands-on research, ORSERS also includes an educational enrichment component. Participants attend seminars and symposiums sponsored by the divisions at ORNL and have the option of enrolling in

a laboratory-approved course at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville or other nearby colleges. Students are also encouraged to arrange for the granting of academic credit by their home institutions for the research semester.

According to National Science Foundation studies, by the year 2000 the United States will not have enough scientists and engineers to meet its needs. "Manpower projections for all types of scientists and engineers show the future demand for these specialists to be much greater than the supply," says ORSERS program manager Ernestine Friedman. "Experts contend that the gap is widening to serious, if not critical, levels."

To be eligible for participation in ORSERS, student must be 18 years of age, have completed the sophomore year at an accredited US college or university and be a US citizen or permanent resident alien. They must be working toward a degree in science, mathematics or engineering. Guidelines suggest an overall grade point average of 3.0 or higher, based on A=4.0.

While in the program, ORSERS participants will receive a weekly stipend of \$200 per week, free housing, and travel reimbursement for relocation to the appointment site.

For more information on the ORSERS program, contact Ernestine Friedman, ORSERS Program Manager, Science Engineering Education Division, Oak Ridge Associated Universities, P.O. Box 117, Oak Ridge, TN 37831-0117.

## News Notes

### Symposium on education

Fredericton, UNB (UNB-PRI) - What is education in the university? Who needs it? And why? The University of New Brunswick's faculty of education will host a symposium later this month in Fredericton to address these and "other (im) pertinent questions," says event coordinator Dr. Lissa Paul.

The day-long symposium, entitled Education In The University, is scheduled for Friday, September 28, at the recently-completed New

Brunswick Teachers' Association building, 650 Montgomery St.

Leading discussions will be Robin Barrow, an education professor from Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, B.C.; Ted Fenton, professor of history and director of the University Teaching Centre at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh; Henry Milner, political science professor from Vanier College, Montreal; and Patricia Thompson, professor of women's studies and home economics, Lehman College, City University of New York.

The symposium will be held in Room 204 of the NBTA building between 9:30 and 4:30 p.m. Registration fee, including lunch, is \$20. Information and registration is available through the office of the Dean of Education, Marshall d'Avray Hall, UNB, 453-4862.

### Our Schools, Our Selves: A new educational magazine

Fredericton, UNB - A workshop will be held on Saturday October 13 from 1 - 5 p.m at Unitarian House, 749 Charlotte Street, Fredericton.

An organizing group in New Brunswick for Our School, Our selves will be holding the workshop.

Our Schools, Our selves, is a new Canadian magazine for educational activities. Its mandate is to investigate the political and personal realities of schooling across the country. It seeks to involve the adults and students most directly affected by the school system in promoting change.

The group is inviting all interested people to the workshop and are seeking people with special concerns and expertise to give ten-minute talks to provide impetus for group discussion.

For more information on the workshop or the group contact any of the following: Joan McFarland 457-1995, Sylvia Hale 457-1146, David Furlong 455-3205, Marilee Reimer 459-3990, David Frank 453-5621, Bonnie Wood 450-3045, Abdul Lodhi 452-7700.

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