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Why do you feel that TAs deserve a pay raise?

Interviews by Heather, photos by Collin.



"Because they do all the dirty work for all the profs."
-Cherry Mammen, BSc. Kinesiology



"Basically, they do all the dirty work and have as much education and experience as a lot of the other instructors do; maybe not a masters, but they certainly do have the education."
-Ginnie Holden, BSc. Biology/Neuroscience



"They contribute to the overall education of everyone within this school and they are a valuable resource for people. They are! Teachers don't have the time to reach 150 students, but with a TA, everyone can get personal instruction."
-Nadine Jackson, BA.



"I think TAs should receive equality just like other TAs across Canada ... It wouldn't be fair for a TA in chemistry to get \$13,000 at Waterloo University and \$4,000 at Dalhousie."
-Peter Giannoulis, BComm.



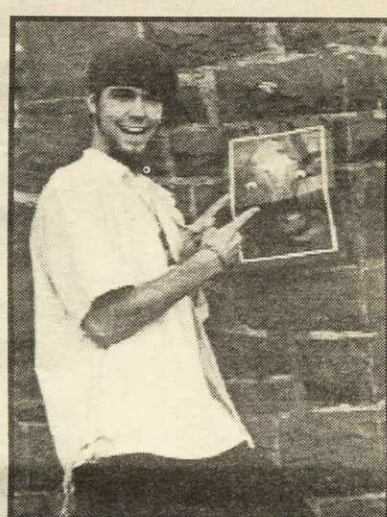
"They work really hard and do a lot of work."
-Jennifer Wepp, BSc.



"Because they be helpin' me with my edumacation."
-Dereck Kerr, BA. Theatre



"To Match the increasing costs of living."
-Alan Hodgkinson, BA.



"Because, you see, we need to have money to learn how to fly!"
-Paul Earle, BSc.

Learning opportunities abroad for Dal

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doing [an exchange program] with Dal, instead of doing it on your own, is that you pay Dal tuition."

The department does the legwork; they pay the university and students get the difference in the form of a bursary.

Attending a foreign exchange program, such as Aix-en Provence, jump-starts a number of things.

"Students are more comfortable in speaking French," said De Méo. "They have an insider's understanding of the language, as they have been immersed in it for a long time. Students do not come back speaking bookish French. They have a love and appreciation for the French language. I think it spurs people to further their French education."

It, also, helps students appreciate their own language. Once they see other cultures, they realize that English, or whatever language they used before, is simply a language. They become aware of the cultural differences in the world.

However, De Méo notes, "Some people may find it easier. People who are flexible...adapt easier. Culture shock happens, but the whole process is worth while."

The French department will be holding information sessions with those interested in the Aix-en-Provence exchange program for the up-coming year. If you would like more information contact the French

department, by E-mail, at: french@dal.ca.

Cynthia Neville, (External) Assistant for the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, has assembled a booklet called *Study Abroad*, which summarizes the foreign exchange programs associated with the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (FASS). Neville received help from the LPI and various departmental heads and the registrar's office. The booklet is now available in the LPI and the A&A buildings.

Friendships or debauchery

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of Incorporation, and group Solidarity: A study of Fraternity Hell Week discusses the positive implications for those initiated. He feels that some pranks are both enjoyable and assist worthwhile goals. It may seem irrational to suggest that anyone gets pleasure out of being humiliated, but there is some evidence that pledges look forward to the unknown perils of *Hell Week*. However, Walker notes that "for many years *Hell Week* has been getting less severe, especially with respect to physical hazing."

In the 80's and 90's legislation was finally passed in both the US and Canada, banning physical hazing.

It discusses departmental exchange programs for the Classics, French, German, International Development Studies, Russian, Spanish and Theatre departments. Classics students can take archeology, classical studies and mediterranean history classes at the University of Malta. Students who have completed two years of Spanish can attend the Colegio de España in Salamanca, Spain. A work-study program is offered through the Theatre department. Students in their third year of Theatre may attend a number of

different institutions.
Neville was quick to point out that exchange programs are constantly changing. New ties are being created and new exchange opportunities are opening.

"There is a new exchange with American University in Washington, DC," said Neville. "I am also looking into links with the University of Leeds, in the United Kingdom."
Several exchanges to universities in the New England states are also in place. All those interested should apply.

What happens to the student once in the fraternity or sorority? This topic has not been studied in depth. One existing report claims that once you are in a chapter, or similar organization, it is hard to get out.

"When a student spends a great deal of time in a living group of his own choice, and is dependant on its members for much of his security and satisfaction, he [she] should be vulnerable to potent influence from this group. His values may be affected, first, because the group's members provide cues concerning what notions are 'universally shared'; second, because they induce the person to engage in behaviours that he may subsequently be called upon to justify to himself or to others; third because the group members are in a posi-

tion to punish serious deviation from their norms by withdrawing emotional support from the offender."

As one pledge stated, "I wanted a feeling of belonging. Independents feel lost. The fraternity is a smaller group working toward a common goal."

It seems this controversy surrounding fraternities and sororities will never end. Even today, on the Dalhousie campus, fraternities and sororities are petitioning the Dalhousie Student Union to recognize them as societies. The DSU constitution states that no group can discriminate on the basis of sex, age, colour, religion or ethnic background. They have told the fraternities and sororities that, because the groups are gender exclusive, they can not be recognized as Dalhousie societies.

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