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Feelings mixed on experimental UNB English and Arts tutorials

by Aime Phillips

This year an experimental English 1000 and Arts 1000 tutorial has been created. The tutorial consists of high school students who have averages of 85% and two marks with 90% or more.

Dean Kent has started the sections to give students entering the Arts program, who have already established high academic standing in high school, recognition of that in university.

The faculty is concerned about treating these top students like everyone else and sees this as a means of identifying the students on a small scale: out of 450 students, approximately 20 are in the specialized group. Dean

Kent adds there are top students in all sections of the Arts program.

Scott Morris, a proctor for the experimental Arts 1000 tutorial, claims the section is a good idea, because the students generate a more aggressive level of discussion.

Prof. Mullaly, the professor responsible for the experimental Engl. 1000, explains that as there is little time wasted on explaining the basics, top students can pursue ideas and concepts and are able to explore them further.

Mullaly agrees others may see controversy, but he stresses the importance of challenging all students: "we must look at the aim of English 1000, which is to take students as far along as their own potentials

will permit."

There is a great deal of controversy surrounding the issue of streaming top students together. Anne Klinck, a professor of a regular Engl. 1000 class, recognizes the advantages of the experimental group but believes the majority of students need the stimulus the better students provide.

Rajeev Venugopal, a student in the enriched sections, does not see a problem in the tutorials and says "I'm paying a lot of money to come here. I want to be a student, not a teacher. In regular tutorials some people are there because they have to be, but we're there because we want to be there."

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Dean of Arts: Dean Peter Kent is waiting to compare the end-of-year results of the experimental tutorials before deciding whether or not the enriched sections will continue.

Photo by Randy Goodleaf

Braithwaite resigns from chair Bourque: SU at bargaining table

by Murray Carew

On November 14, Marc Braithwaite, Chair of the UNB Student Union Alcohol Committee, sent a letter to SU President Kevin Bourque informing Bourque that he was resigning from his position.

In his letter, Braithwaite claims "I am not resigning for any unusual personal reason and I have not been put under pressure from any individual to make this decision."

He continues: "...the task in which I believe that I was commissioned to do has been completed." Braithwaite adds that he "received a great deal of support from the 'CHSC Project' from various organizations and especially Bourque himself."

However, Braithwaite feels that "the time has come that the elected representatives of all the students of UNB and STU must now carry the ball towards the ultimate goal of restructuring the Board of

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Directors of the College Hill Social Club."

At an SU Council Meeting on Wednesday, Braithwaite said he received a great deal of support and describes Bourque as "the best darn president" he

has ever worked with. However, he also feels that Council must rally the campus more concerning this issue and has not been impressed with some of the councillors' behaviour.

He says although council unanimously voted in favour of the project, councillors were voicing different opinions outside meetings.

Council passed a motion to appoint Mark Lockwood as a representative on an advisory board which the CHSC wants to create concerning the issue.

Bourque says the educational campaign will "halt for now", and that the SU along with other student organizations and the CHSC will "sit around the bargaining table for now."

World AIDS Day is December 1

Press Release

World AIDS Day, December 1, 1990, is an annual day of observance designed to expand and strengthen the worldwide effort to stop AIDS. Each year, it is the only international day of coordinated action against AIDS around the world.

The theme of World AIDS Day 1990, "Women and AIDS" focuses attention on the facts that AIDS touches the lives of millions of women: women who are themselves infected

with the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV); women who are mothers of HIV infected children; women who are partners of HIV men; and women who are affected by the pandemic in their roles as health professionals, teachers, social workers, counsellors and caregivers.

Worldwide, the World Health Organization estimates that now, in 1990, at least six million people are infected with HIV, and that approximately two million - or

one third - are women.

AIDS New Brunswick is sponsoring a day long symposium on Women and AIDS. The general public is invited to come hear speakers address the various aspects of Women and AIDS, and view some new videos about AIDS. Displays and educational resources will be provided.

Date: Friday, November 30
Place: Ted Daigle Auditorium
Saint Thomas University
Fredericton, NB
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GST speaker at UNB

by Murray Carew

"There is a heck of a lot of confusion out there," said John Hoyles, Executive Director of the GST Consumer Information office.

Hoyles was at UNB on Wednesday to talk to students about GST issues. Representatives from the Student Union and other students were in attendance.

He stressed that, although their office is funded by Consumer and Corporate Affairs Canada, they "run their own show."

The purpose of their office is to give concerned people straight information and not take a side on the issue.

The Consumer Information Office has produced various booklets concerning the GST about housing, automobile, and groceries. Plus they have a 1-800-number with 82 lines and 140 operators.

He mentioned that this past Monday their office received "10,000 calls in one day." The number is 1-800-668-2122.

Hoyles informed the audience that textbooks will be subject to the GST, but university tuition will not be. However the

university will have more expenses due to the GST.

But he also pointed out that some universities will also have indirect savings from the removal of the federal sales tax.

Thus Hoyles said if a university does raise tuition and claims it is because of the GST, he suggested that the student government should question that claim.

In addition residence, meal and student fees will not be subject to the GST.

Hoyles warned the audience about advertisements that proclaim that the consumer should buy now to "beat the GST."

He stressed that the public should be "very prudent" and get all the information and facts about such ads.

Before concluding and answering a few questions, Hoyles said that their offices basic concern is that they "do not want people to get conned when somebody tells them they have to pay more because of the GST when it isn't true."

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