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Lack of child creativity discussed

by Tracey Rollins

Dr. David Feldman, professor of Tufts University in Massachusetts, and a renowed leader in the field of education, gave a lecture on Wednesday, October 11 on "Why Children Can't Be Creative.'

Feldman's focus was to convince his audience that children are not naturally or innately creative, as many of us like to think.

According to Feldman's definition of creativity, not only are children unable to be creative, neither are 99 per cent of the world population.

According to Feldman, creativity involves "a mastery of a body of knowledge and a self-conscious effort to explore this body of knowledge into the unknown, the consequence of which stands the test of time and changes this body of knowledge."

Feldman recognizes that children are "wonderful," "delightful," "spontaneous," "original," but crea-

Feldman uses an example of a child who, upon watching it snow, asks, "Who squeezed the sky?" "Is

nursing and in the food and nutri-

tion discipline of home economics

currently have no English course

requirement in their programs of

study. Next year, however, food

and nutrition students will be

Louise Tod, faculty of nursing

coordinator for undergraduate stu-

dent affairs, said that next year will

see a "total change of curriculum"

for nursing students. A new program

is being developed in coordination

with the U of A hospital school of

nursing. Under the new curriculum,

unique in this respect.

this creative? Poetic?" asked Feldman. "No," he answered, "it is we who have the poetry in mind - not the child."

According to Feldman, as children are not innately creative, a heavier burden is placed on those around the children, and they are left with a "challenge to communicate to children the things they understand to be significant.

During the question period, Feldman was asked if there is a practitioner anywhere who is using his theory. "No. I don't think so," he replies. Feldman believes that his argument is theoretically and conceptionally clear but admitted that it is "not necessarily right."

Feldman's lecture was the third of a six lecture series of the Alberta Colloquium on Giftedness. The next speaker, Dr. Daniel P. Keating will give his lecture, "Curriculum Options for the Developmentally Advanced," Wednesday, October 25,7 p.m., Education N-2-115. Registration is required. Phone 492-1154, Dr. Carolyn Yewchuk for details.

PS hosts ed career tair

by Fiona Cameron

Are you an education student suffering anxiety attacks about the great post-graduate job search? Do you have questions about the "real world" of teaching? If so, Career and Placement Services has good news for you. CaPS is putting on an **Education Career Fair in Dinwoodie** Lounge in the Students' Union Building on Wednesday, October 18th from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Brenda Bodnar, a Student Placement consultant with CaPS said we want first, second, third and fourth year students to come. We're also encouraging students from

No reg'd English in foods

Faculte St. Jean to attend CaPS first career fair of the year.'

Thirty booths will be set up, each one representing a particular Canadian school district. They will come from distances, as well as close to home, ranging from Ontario to British Columbia to the Yukon. The representatives of each school district will be there to distribute literature and answer student questions and will be given the opportunity to make presentations to students.

"I'd like to go," said second year Eduation student Linda Russell. "They'll give you an idea of what it's like, what it's really like out there."

Third year education student Rob Wall has seen posters around campus advertising the career fair and says he is planning on "going and spending a couple of hours talking to the people" there. "Everyone I've talked to about it is planning on dropping by," he said, adding "I suppose it will give me the opportunity to meet representatives from school boards across the country who are going to be doing the hiring."

Each school district attending is being charged a participation fee. The faculty of education is contributing by holding a breakfast for the potential employers.

In addition, CaPS is compiling a student's guidebook that will give a brief description of each school district involved with the career fair. Among other things, the guidebook articles will contain information on each school district's history, size, benefit programs, support staff and extra-curricular opportunities.

Bodnar said that education students should realize "they can choose" because "there are a lot of school districts out there." She said she would encourage all education students to come out to the fair "because it's an invaluable opportunity to speak with the employer for whom they may wish to work."

For more information, drop by CaPS on fourth floor SUB or look out for the booth set up on the main floor of the education buil-

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by Carolyn Routledge nursing students will be required to take a three-credit course in English. Currently, nursing students are U of A students struggling with required to take the equivalent of 1 junior level English courses may FCE in the humanities; a requirewish to take up food and nutrition ment which leaves the study of Only students in the faculty of

English optional. Tod remarked that the change is "due to new program development, not a result of the cancellation of the Writing Competence Test."

In the faculty of home economics, the demise of the WCT has similarly had little effect, as food and nutrition students will continue their program of study under a curriculum with no English course requirement.

Dr. Marlene Cox-Bishop, the associate dean of home economics, said that 95% of students in this discipline are transfer students from

either arts or science, and so the majority already have taken a junior English course when entering the program. As well, the number of courses required of these students in order to meet dietetics standards leaves no room for English.

"Writing is like taking piano lessons," said Cox-Bishop. "You don't get better by taking just one course." Accordingly, it is the policy of the home economics faculty to maintain a writing component in most courses. Cox-Bishop suggests it may be more beneficial in the long-run for students to learn to write about what they are learning, combined with better university orientation to the libraries and such facilities, than to take a generic junior English course such as English 210.

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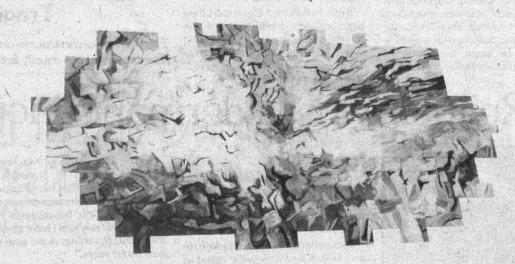
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