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Child care has become an increasingly important issue for students. The fastest growing group in Canadian universities are part-time, mature students, who often have small children. The Canadian Federation of Students would like to see the

institution of a 100 per cent government-funded, universally accessible child care system, which would give parents a chance to return to school. Would you support such a system?

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That's an ideal. Our own child-care program, which would create individual, universal child-care centres, approaches that ideal. It's expensive, but very important. We want a system that includes subsidies but on in which people would pay if they can afford it. I hope we live to see the day. We have to work that way.

I agree with the objective, but it is a long haul. In the next four years, the federal government should provide money for 50,000 spaces a year, as part of a long-term program. Our plan, put forward by Margaret Mitchell, has three phases over twelve years. In the first four years, we would concentrate on increasing the number of spaces, with the Canada Assistance Plan in place to provide subsidies for those with low income. In the second phase, we would concentrate on affordability and in the third phase we would reach the objective.

Perhaps you know about our child care program. (We plan to create) 200,000 spaces over five years in cooperation with the provinces, but we haven't distinguished between students and others with dependents. The other parties are saying 300,000, 500,000 spaces, whatever, but these recommendations were made after intense study of the need, and, just as important, of the ability of the government and child care centres to respond. The provinces told us that 200,000 spaces is all they can put in place in this time period. You don't just sort of ring the bell and have 200,000 spaces appear. You have to have management. The problem is substantial. Our program is a real response to the situation because it recognizes that there is a variety of need, and universal daycare is certainly not the priority of all the provinces or all mothers.

Do you have any comments on the DFA strike?

I'm a Mount (Saint Vincent University) appointee to the Dalhousie Board of Governors and it would be improper for me to make a comment.

I support the faculty. The strike is a direct result of the Mulroney government's cuts. The faculty has reached the end of their rope. I know a lot of them and some have been offered \$25,000 more to teach elsewhere. They stayed because they're committed, but it can't go on. Hopefully, the thing will be settled and no one will be hurt too badly.

It's very, very unfortunate. I've spoken to scores of students and have made representations on their behalf. But in the end, the decision is made with the province.

## Student survey

AS Gazette survey of Dalhousie students conducted on November 12 indicated that post-secondary education (PSE) is not a major issue in this election campaign. 90 per cent of those surveyed felt the free trade debate has overshadowed other major issues and PSE is not being given serious attention. Two per cent felt PSE has been given enough attention, and eight per cent had no comment.

When asked if education is an important factor when choosing a candidate, 55 per cent said yes, 37 per cent said not, and eight per cent were either undecided or had no

comment. Of those that said yes, the majority said a secure future for Canada depends on a quality education system. (Many of the survey, 35 per cent of the respondents would have voted Liberal, 25 per cent would have voted Conservative, and 16 per cent would have voted NDP. 24 per cent were either undecided or provided no response.

The respondents were randomly selected from the Dal Student Directory. The sample was of 49 students, approximately 0.6 per cent of the student population at Dalhousie.

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