

Calgary law faculty goes hardline on cheaters

CALGARY (CUP) — Some students are furious at a decision by the University of Calgary's law school to release the names of students accused of academic misconduct.

"It's a public humiliation and it's an action I don't support," says Lawrence Ben-Eliezer, a law student and faculty council representative. "Having to go through the discipline process is painful enough without having to make the results and proceedings public know-

ledge."

The law school's faculty council plans to post in a public place the names of students who collaborated on an assignment and received a failing mark for doing so. No other faculty of campus discloses the names of those found guilty of breaching academic conduct, according to student council president Cyndi Starzyk.

"For a faculty of law to do something like this is incredible," Starzyk

said. "Why (don't they) just hold academic appeal hearings in (the student union building's) ballroom and sell tickets?"

But law faculty dean Margaret Hughes said the school must maintain high ethical and professional standards.

"This is a law school and if there's anything we're trying to teach our students, (it's) to follow the regulations to the letter. That's our responsibility," she said.

"The rights and reputations of everybody are at stake, and that's much too important to be dealt

with at the discretion of whoever (is causing) the problem," Hughes said. "It's not just a private matter between instructor involved and the student."

One academic source who refused to be named said the law faculty must consider more than just rules and regulations and should look at emotional stress that would be caused by publications of names.

"From a human point of view, it's cruel. It doesn't speak well for the humanism of the faculty concerned. The motivation seems to be...

to destroy the person as an individual," the source said.

The traditional procedure at other Canadian universities has been to keep the investigations of academic misconduct confidential. The University of Toronto, however, recently decided to publish the names of students who cheat on examinations.

One law professor, Christopher Levy, said universities are beginning to "get tough" on students who do not follow rules.

Ontario accessibility

TORONTO (CUP) A record number of students applying for admission to Ontario universities this fall will soon find out if the provincial government has its money where its mouth is.

As of mid-February, 44,900 grade 13 students applied for admission to university for the 1985-86 academic year, an increase of 1.3 per cent over last year.

Statistics compiled by the Council of Ontario Universities show 1,100 applicants were turned away from Ontario universities in the fall of 1983.

"Two years ago, the commitment of the provincial government didn't exist, so one would expect that, with the further increases in enrolment, this commitment will be even further eroded," says Richard Balnis, a researcher for the Ontario Federation of Students (OFS).

According to the Ontario government's existing policy on accessibility, every qualified student with a grade 13 average of at least 60 per cent is guaranteed a place in the university system.

"It's the myth of accessibility,"

said Balnis. "It's starting to show the holes in their promise of accessibility for a student somewhere in the system."

The Bovey commission report on the future of Ontario universities suggests the government modify its accessibility policy to ensure every "qualified" student "a place in some program of study in some university in Ontario, but not necessarily in the program or university of first choice," and that universities decrease overall enrolment by six per cent.

The commission also recommends that universities set their own enrolment levels without loss of provincial funding.

OFS predicts 6,400 students will enter university if the recommendations are implemented.

"Any government action on the Bovey report recommendation would have an effect on accessibility," said the council's communications director, William Sayers.

The Bovey commission, headed by entrepreneur Edmund Bovey, released its report Jan. 15.

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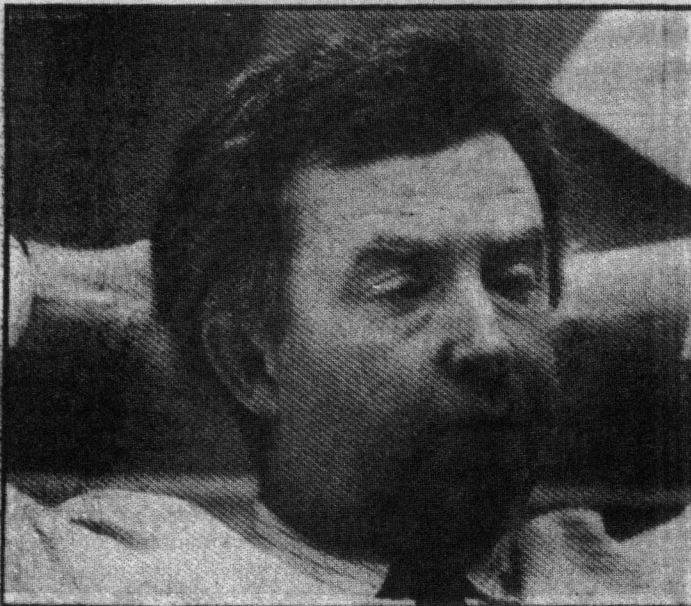
At 3:30 p.m. today in Tory 14-9, former U of A SU councillor Oscar Amaar will give a report on his recent visit to Nicaragua. Rev. Roy Neehall will speak on Liberation Theology and Marxism Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Tory 14-9. On Mar. 7 at 3:30 p.m., Professors Fred Judson and Max Mote of the political

science department will debate military political perspectives of Central America in Tory 14-9. On Mar. 8 at noon, a film called "A Time of Daring" will be shown in Tory Basement 65.

There is no admission to any of the above events. There will also be a benefit dance at the Ukrainian Centre on Saturday, Mar. 9 to wind things up.

For further details on the Central America Awareness Week events on campus, call Don Davis at 435-2659.

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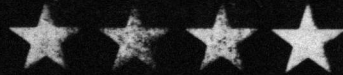
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