

Study Aid

Do you have difficulty studying? Are you uncertain of how to go about taking good lecture notes? Does term paper preparation baffle your mind?

If your answer to the above questions is positive, do not despair. Your problems may be over.

On December 11, a committee chaired by Mr. James White, Career Development and Placement Counselor at Highacres, will hold a one-day seminar designed to teach study skills to interested students. Still in the planning stages, the program at present will consist of two seminars. One will be held in the Commons on the morning of December 11 for commuting students and the other will be held the same evening in the Residence Hall for dorm students.

White said the committee hopes to have faculty representatives to run the program in the areas of physics, chemistry, English, social science, biology, and mathematics. The faculty members will teach study skills using an interesting approach, sharing their college experiences in terms of study with the students. The presentation will include a question-answer period covering such topics as how to study for objective, subjective, and essay tests; term paper preparation; note-taking; study resources; reading; and most important of all, management of study time. Time management is essential according to White, because although students may already know how to study correctly from experiences in high school, the volume of work in college is comparatively greater; thus, students may be wasting time by studying inefficiently.

White commented on the program by pointing out that "we (the committee and faculty) could endlessly feed students information on proper study skills, but without student self-application, nothing will have been accomplished. Motivation is paramount. Students must want to study."

White also stated that, "The program will be useful only to those students who want to study correctly, but are not sure how to go about doing it."

CBCSG Holds First Meeting; Lottery Discussed

The Council of Branch Campus Student Governments held its first conference of the fall term on October 18, 1975. Representing the Hazleton Campus were Joe Melnick, SGA president; Kathy Johnson, freshman representative; and Dean Joseph McCallus.

The Council represents the concerns of students attending branch campuses in University-wide matters as well as those issues impacting on the combined interests of branch campuses. It provides a forum for the exchange of ideas in areas of student concern, and also represents the interests of the student government agencies of the branch campuses.

Guest speakers included members from Undergraduate Student Government, Organization of Town Independent Students, and Association of Residence Hall Students. Dean McCallus represented the Council of Branch Campus Deans of Student Affairs.

Five University-wide issues were focused upon at the conference. They were: tuition, Penn PIRG, the security policy, the smoking policy, and the

dorm lottery. The dorm lottery proposal was discussed at length because of its affect on transfer students. The Council submitted its proposal the President Oswald, in which it stated that five groups should have priority, these groups being: University Park residence hall students, commonwealth campus transfers, freshman, off-campus students, and returning practicum and studying abroad students. The new proposal would raise the number of dorm rooms for branch campus student transfers from 365 to 1,014. The detailed proposal is available in the SGA office.

The coordinator reminded representatives that meal tickets are transferable when visiting main campus. To do so, Mr. Carl Krone (Food and Housing) must be notified two weeks in advance.

The Council of Branch Campus Student Governments' main purpose is to represent the students. Both Joe Melnick and Kathy Johnson have the desire to represent the Hazleton students concerning all university policies that affect this campus. They are available in the SGA office.

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