

**Professor of the Month:**

**Sociology Prof. Dr. Jan Guan**

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Dr. Jan Guan is the new assistant professor in the department of sociology. She has received her masters in Anthropology from the People's University of China, her masters in Anthropology from Hull University in England, and her doctoral degree in Sociology at Oklahoma State University. Prior to joining Penn State Delaware County, Dr. Guan taught various courses at Phillips University in Oklahoma and Millersville University in Lancaster.

Travelling the world for education, Dr. Guan and her husband of 15 years, who teaches at Penn State Great Valley, have had a first hand experience of the differences between school systems of different countries. Dr. Guan says she likes teaching here in America because the students are encouraged to speak up and voice their own opinions in a comfortable discussion course, unlike the lecture/note classes that dictate certain topics to be followed without interruption. Although the U.S. schoolsystems rely on textbooks, leaving the text open to interpretation, other countries tend to rely on individual works that are not to be questioned.

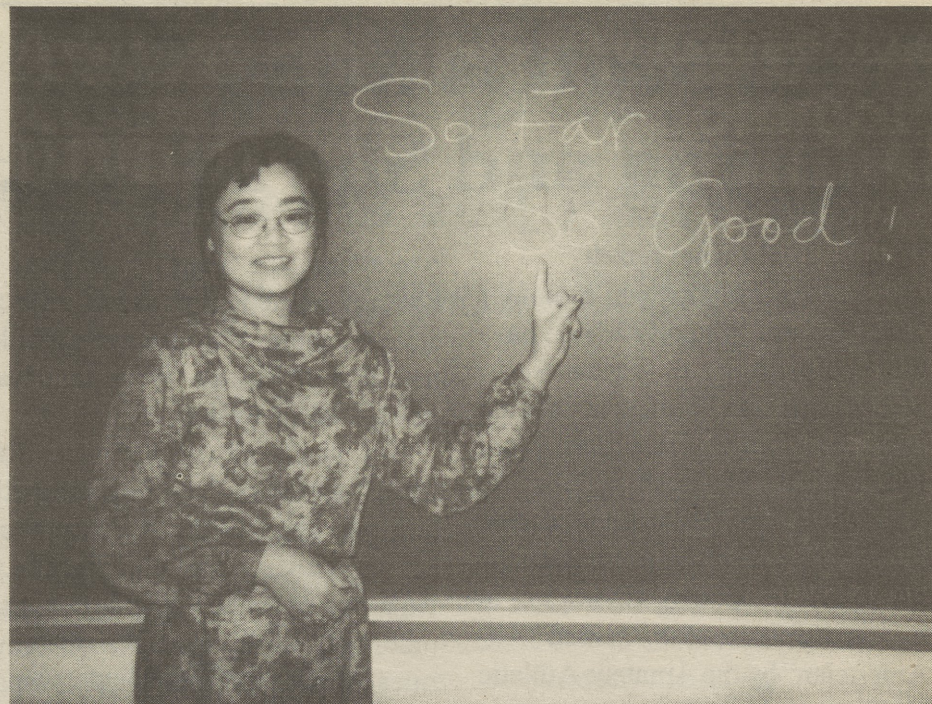
As a sociology teacher, Dr. Guan says "Never just accept the norm." She says that all she asks of her students is for them to be open

minded and expressive of their opinions. She believes that it is most important to convey your personal feelings and experience in class which in turn helps to create social responsibility or empathy within.

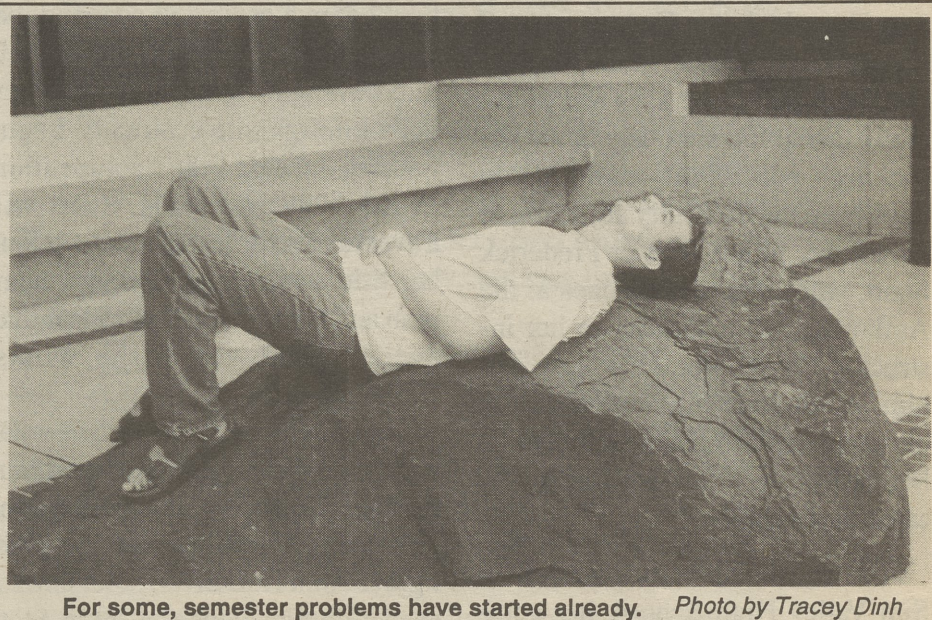
Dr. Guan has accomplished many things in her life and strives to achieve new goals every day. Her credentials include such work as with the world Conference on Women, Society for Applied Anthropology, and Southwestern Sociological Association. She is also a member of the Committee of the Asia and Asian American section of the American Sociological Association.

Even with all these global involvements, Dr. Guan prides herself on enjoying life. She enjoys many of the relaxations of daily life such as gardening and always has time, combined with a smile, to speak to students and faculty. When asked what she would change in her past if she could, Dr. Guan responded "I would like to have kept my grandmother alive longer. I would bring her from China to the U.S., into my classroom, and show her the joy and fulfillment I have each day I teach. It is my grandmother that told me to leave China and follow my heart."

Dr. Guan is a very caring individual who feels communication is the key. if you ever need advice or a friend, this professor is the person to meet.



Give a warm Penn State welcome to the Lion's Eye teacher of the month, Jan Guan. Photo by Lori Craddock



For some, semester problems have started already. Photo by Tracey Dinh

**Take Charge of Your Future:**

**Career Exposition of '98**

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Scared about the future? Confused about a career? Well, listen up Penn State Delco, because now is the time to do something about it. Take charge of your future by attending Career Expo 98'.

Career Expo 98' will be held Wed., Sept. 23, from 11:30 am-2pm in the main lounge. Stop by and talk to alumni and professionals from various business communities.

Interested in Criminal Justice? People from the U.S. District Court and the Office of Corrections will be on hand to answer questions.

Interested in a career in ra-

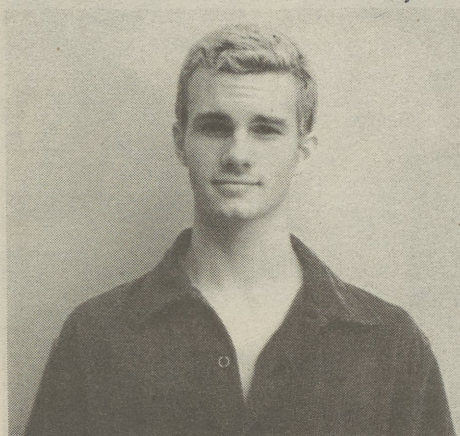
dio or communications? Radio station 103.9 fm will be there too, in addition to accountants, professionals from the Franklin Mint, and even a psychologist. Altogether, expect about 20-25 professionals attending career Expo 98'.

According to Sharmon Bryant, Penn State career counsler, Career Expo 98' is great for students who are undecided about their major, and it is also good for students who want to know more about the major they've chosen. Bryant also said that "Career Expo 98' is a great opportunity to talk one-on-one with these professionals, and most of all these people will be really honest with you."

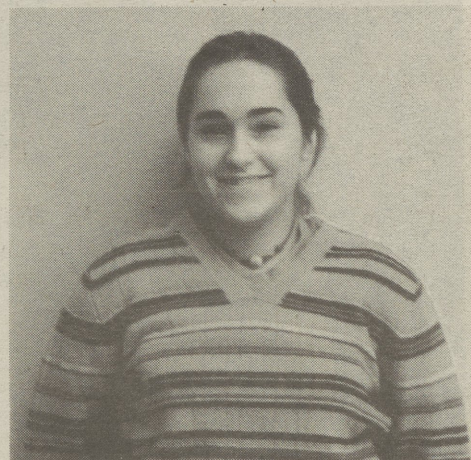


Who will be the next White House intern?

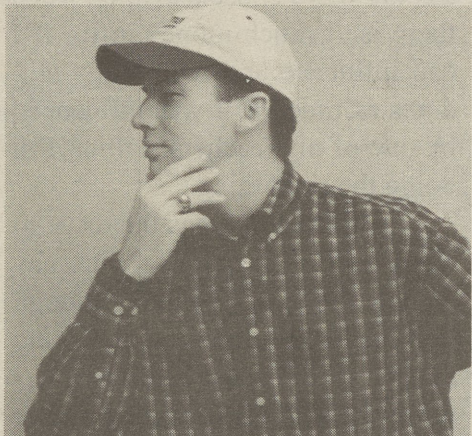
**How Do You Feel About Parking By Seniority?**



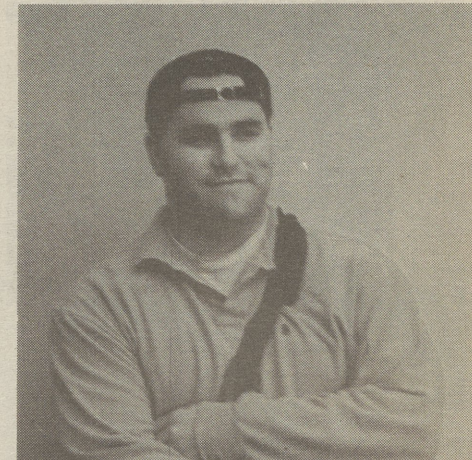
Ken Moore (freshman, undecided): I think we should have parking by seniority because if you have been somewhere longer, you deserve privileges. Photo by Tracey Dinh



Meghann Addy (freshman, recreational therapy): I don't care because I never got a good parking space anyway. Photo by Tracey Dinh



Jim Allsman (senior, speech communications): I think it's ridiculous because we are not in high school anymore. Suck it up and walk. We are all adults here. Photo by Tracey Dinh



Chris Evans (senior): If the faculty has reserved parking, upper classmen should have it also. Photo by Tracey Dinh