

Freshmen Must Enroll in ROTC

Penn State, like every other land grant college, must provide a Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) program to train leaders for national emergencies.

Enrollment in four semesters in one of three units is required of all physically fit male students. Three units offered at Penn State are Army, Navy, and Air Force ROTC.

The length of time a student must serve after graduation is the greatest difference between the units.

Test Required

Army and Air Force cadets must serve two years in basic classes, with two years of advanced training optional to students accepted in advanced programs. Navy cadets must serve in a four-year advanced course, which must be completed once started.

To get into Naval ROTC a student must either take a national test before he arrives on campus or must apply for admission to the program no later than the third day of Orientation Week. In the first case, he becomes a regular cadet, and in the second he enters the program under contract status.

Receive Pay

A contract cadet may be promoted to regular cadet by examination after the program gets underway.

Naval contract cadets, like Army and Air Force cadets receive 90 cents a day subsistence pay for senior years, plus extra pay for summer duty. Regular Naval students receive a monthly tuition and books for all four years at the College.

Naval cadets must take three summer cruises before they are graduated. Army and Air Force cadets must take a four to six week training period between their junior and senior years.

Upon graduation, naval regulars become ensigns in the U. S. Navy, while contract men become ensigns in the naval reserve. Army and Air Force advanced cadets become second lieutenants in their reserve organizations.

3 Groups Tap Honor Students

Three scholastic honoraries on campus are Phi Eta Sigma, Phi Kappa Phi, and Phi Beta Kappa. These honoraries choose members on the basis of individual scholastic averages.

Phi Eta Sigma is a freshman men's scholastic honorary. Members are chosen from first, second, and third semester students with an All-College average of 2.5. The honorary holds two initiation meetings a year.

Phi Kappa Phi, All-College senior scholastic honorary, chooses members from all schools. Requirements are an All-College average of 2.55. Students are tapped in their seventh semester. Phi Kappa Phi awards a \$50 scholarship each year to a freshman student.

Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary, elects members from graduating seniors with a 2.5 All-College average and students in the upper tenth of graduating classes. The initiation ceremony is held at the end of the scholastic year at an annual banquet.

Grants Established For Engineer Seniors

An annual scholarship, which will aid seniors in mechanical or chemical engineering by paying student fees and providing \$200 for the student, has been established at the College by Union Carbine and Carbon Corp.

Archaeology Courses

Three new three-credit archaeology courses are being offered at the College this year.

Dr. Frederick R. Matson, professor of archaeology, will teach the new courses, offered by the Department of Sociology.

Women's Honorary Founded in 1947

Cwens, sophomore women's activities honorary, was established in 1947.

Officers are Jean Yemm, president; Ann Lederman, vice president; Roberta Sankey, secretary; and Sara McKnight, treasurer.

Cwens taps freshman women active in at least two major activities who have an All-College average of 1.5 or better.

Annual projects of Cwens are the Dungaree Drag, held in the early fall, and serving as freshmen dormitory counselors. Cwens supports a Dutch war orphan with proceeds from activities.

Sparks Is 'Home' For LA Students

Sparks Building, completed in 1939, may be called "the home of liberal arts students," for in this large modern structure most classes in this field are held. Only journalism and music classes are conducted outside of Sparks, in Carnegie Hall.

Liberal arts was looked upon not too many years ago as a misplaced course for college. Classes were held in buildings scattered all over campus and funds and general support were lacking.

Sparks was named in honor of Edwin Erle Sparks, former president of the College.

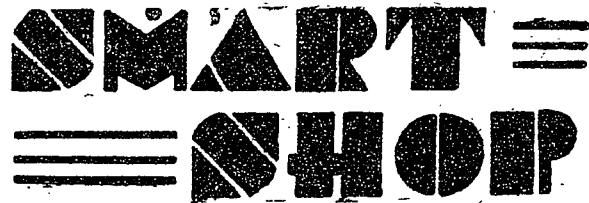
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