

Psych Clinic Guides Student Vocations

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What are you majoring in? That is probably one of the questions most often asked at Penn State.

You may be one of many who isn't quite sure what curriculum you want and don't know which would be most suitable for you as an individual.

During the past 15 years, however, the Psychology Clinic has helped thousands to discover scientifically what they really should be studying.

This beneficial service, which eliminates haphazard choices, is headed by William U. Snyder, associate director of the clinic. He likes to work with students, providing they come to him on their own initiative.

Curriculum Changes

When one first goes to the Psych clinic he is given a series of modern, scientifically-accurate tests measuring such things as personality and interests.

With this information Dr. Snyder decides whether that individual will achieve success and happiness in his present curriculum. Often a student winds up changing to something closer to his interests, and is grateful for the doctor's advice.

"There is such a thing as personalities unsuited for certain fields and this can bring a student unhappiness and failure all his life," Dr. Snyder said. "For example, the shy, backward type student will have difficulty in finding success and happiness in law, journalism, or sales work."

Higher Grades

The tests also measure aptitudes. The aptitude test of one would-be engineer who was failing his engineering courses revealed that he had absolutely no ability for solving abstract problems such as those in engineering.

After Dr. Snyder has completed the testing and made his decision, a student is under no obligation to follow any of the suggestions. Most do, however, and their higher grades attest to the clinic's accuracy.

Students with emotional or mental difficulties can also get many benefits from the clinic. They can go in and literally talk their troubles away—and they usually end up cured.

Students Solve Difficulties

Most emotional cases treated by the "talking method" are young people not quite used to being on their own in a big college. They are upset over competition, unable to form good study habits, or bewildered by the more sophisticated social whirl they find at college.

Dr. Snyder says the main purpose of the clinic is to have students bring their difficulties out into the open where they can solve them themselves.

These services are only one part of the clinic, which receives support from student fees and is located in the basements of Burrows and the Woman's Buildings. It also prepares and grades freshman psychology tests, and supplies psychological help to grade school children.

Anyone who goes to the clinic can be sure what he says there will be kept in utmost confidence. This confidence has been kept despite pressure put on the clinic by local police, FBI, and even the U.S. Army.

ASEE Honors Retired Dean

Dr. Harry P. Hammond, retired dean of the School of Engineering, was recently named an honorary member of the American Society for Engineering Education.

This marks the first time in the history of the society that honorary members have been named. Hammond came to Penn State in 1937 and retired with emeritus rank two years ago. He was awarded the Lamme award, top honor in engineering education, in 1945. In 1950, he received the James H. McGraw award in technical institute education.

Chem Society Meeting

A meeting of the Central Pennsylvania Section of the American Chemical Society, originally scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 24, will be held at 8 p.m. Monday.

NSA Exchanges Ideas, Voices Student Opinions

The College, through All-College Cabinet, is a member of the National Student Association. NSA is a confederation of student governments, acting as a service organization.

NSA operates on local, regional, and national levels, with three main goals: exchanging ideas between schools, representing students on national issues concerning the student community, and representing the American student on international student issues.

Purposes of the local organization are promotion of greater student participation in government, assistance in student government activities, and formation of programs to improve and broaden the scope of student government.

The 350 college and university members of NSA are divided into 16 regions. Regional conferences are held and representatives annually attend the National Student Congress.

In April, representatives from the College attended a regional convention in Pittsburgh at the Pennsylvania State College for Women to discuss duties and responsibilities of student leaders and student-faculty-administration relationships.

Aero Stipend Open to Coeds

The annual Amelia Earhart scholarship to encourage graduate study by women in the field of aeronautical engineering is being offered by Zonta International, organization of executive women, for the year 1953-54.

The scholarship, valued at \$1200, may be used in any approved school where aeronautical work is offered on the graduate level. A renewal of the grant would be possible if the holder of the scholarship is better qualified than any of the applicants.

Applications must be filed by March 1, 1954 with the chairman of Zonta International, Miss J. Winifred Hughes, Syracuse University.

Fifteen women have received the award since its establishment in 1938. The scholarship was created to honor the famous aviator Miss Earhart, a member of Zonta International at the time of her disappearance in 1937.

Soup's on—

Food Service Feeds 5400 Students Daily

In the Foods Service Building, baked goods and meats are processed to feed 5400 students eating in College dining halls.

Approximately 3000 dozen eggs are used a week and 36,000 pounds of flour are used a month. When cherry pie is served, one ton of cherries is used for filling.

A menu committee plans menus for dormitory meals four weeks in advance. Menus are the same in all dormitories.

Requisitions for supplies are prepared in dining halls and forwarded to the food store one week prior to delivery. Supplies to complete these requisitions are received by truck or railroad at the Food Stores Building.

Coordination Is Problem

The College uses U.S. grade choice beef for beef roast and swiss steaks. Grade A fresh eggs are used and the table butter, which comes from Iowa, is 93 score, graded on the basis of United States Department of Agriculture standards. Only butter used in contest judging will normally grade higher. Butter used in cooking is 89 score.

One problem in the Foods Service department is the coordination of planning to meet the capacities of equipment and personnel, according to Robert C. Proffitt, manager of food stores and foods buyer. Effort is made not only to utilize the equipment to capacity but also to integrate steps of the procedures so that a steady flow of products is being processed at all times.

When meat is sent to the dormitories, it is cut into portions or prepared as oven-ready roasts.

Equipment in the butcher shop

includes three cutting blocks, electric meat saw, two electric slicers, electric food choppers, cube steak machine, electric food shaping machine, and a flake ice machine.

Swing Shift Breadline

In the baking room are two six-shelf gas baking ovens. A pie crust machine rolls a flattened ball of dough into shape to fit a pie plate and a roll rounder shapes 80 to 220 rolls a minute. Other equipment includes a fryer and end cookie machine. A small room adjoining the bakeshop offers facilities for making doughnuts.

Approximately 1400 loaves of bread are baked each night. One piece of equipment useful in meeting bread production schedules is a bread molder with a capacity for delivering 1000 loaves an hour.

Foods Service Building has an experimental kitchen where two full-time food supervisors work. The experimental kitchen is furnished with equipment similar to that used in the six unit kitchens where food is prepared for dining halls.

In the kitchen canned goods are checked against specifications, recipes are standardized, and better cooking methods and procedures are formulated.

Information Please



—Photo by Schroeder
TWO ENLIGHTENED FROSH smile with relief as William Alden, member of Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity, clears up one of the many baffling questions facing new students on campus. The freshmen, Allan Friedman (left) and Michael Lauzar, were patronizing the information booth run by APhiO at the intersection of the Mall and Pollock road during the first part of Orientation Week.

Coed Receives Fashion Design Contest Award

Joan Park, sixth semester journalism major, was recently named winner of a summer school free tuition scholarship in a campus clothes contest sponsored by Trap-hagen School of Fashion, New York City.

Miss Park was one of 18 students from schools and colleges all over the country who was awarded a scholarship by the New York school.

Contestants submitted five sketches of student clothes: a coat for general wear, a campus dress, a spectator sports outfit, a play suit and an evening dress.

Each prizewinning sketch was selected on merits of originality of idea, and not necessarily for skill in drawing and design.

'Engineer' Meeting

A staff meeting of the Penn State Engineer, a publication edited by undergraduates in the Engineering school, will be held at 7 p.m. Monday in 211 Mechanical Engineering.

Poly Sci Club Studies Jobs

The Political Science Club, organized to provide a discussion group for undergraduates, graduate students, and faculty members, provides information concerning jobs in the political science field.

Last year the group sponsored a forum on the Presidential election with the Young Republicans and Young Democrat clubs, discussed loyalty, religion, democracy; and held a series of three meetings on John Q. Public and his relation to domestic and foreign policy.

Programs on law, foreign service and a faculty-student mixer on teaching were part of the vocational series.

Neal Riemer, assistant professor of political science, is adviser of the group and moderator for most discussions.

Parkin Named President

Ivan E. Parkin, professor of dairy husbandry, was elected president of the International Association of Milk and Food Sanitarians at a recent meeting at Michigan State College.



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