

# Students give input on BDRs Collegian wins excellence awards

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Collegian Staff Writer

The University's plan to replace the baccalaureate degree requirements with a general education program received student input at an open forum last night in the HUB Reading Room.

The forum, sponsored by the Undergraduate Student Government's Academic Assembly, was attended by about 30 people.

Jerry Covert, member of the Faculty Senate subcommittee on general education, said the BDR system will not exist by the Summer of 1988. As a result, he said, the University will "re-design a perhaps more meaningful general education program."

The process of replacing the BDR's — criticized for not supplying students with a framework in which to place their knowledge — began last spring when the Faculty Senate adopted objectives and a definition of general education.

General education provides a student with a breadth of knowledge involving the major intellectual and aesthetic movements of humanity, including natural sciences, mathematics, social-behavioral sciences, humanities and the arts.

Under the senate recommendation, an effective general education program enables students to:

- Acquire knowledge through critical reading and listening.
- Analyze and evaluate, where appropriate in a quantitative manner, the acquired knowledge.
- Integrate knowledge from a variety of sources and fields.
- Make critical judgments in a logical and rational manner.
- Recognize and comprehend the role of physical activity in daily life.
- Learn to communicate effectively.
- Understand the reality of international interdependence and cultural diversity.
- Comprehend the role of aesthetic and creative activities in daily life.

As a result of the change to general education, Covert said the list of courses now offered each semester by the University will be re-evaluated to see if they meet the criteria of general education.

"Although we're throwing everything out and starting over again," Covert said, "there is, in some parts

of the University, an effort to decrease the size of courses offered."

However, he said, there are others who say a larger list of courses is better for students. The debate about having a long or short course list has gone on for some time, Covert said.

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Hamilton explained that part of this award should go to hundreds of people who have helped the *Collegian* win, including the School of Communications and the former staff members and advisers in the *Collegian's* 98-year history.

# PSU ahead in blood drive, more donations needed

With the showdown between the Nittany Lions and the Pitt Panthers just days away, University blood donors are proving they can beat Pitt even off the field, a Johnson Regional Red Cross spokesman said.

Kevin Gaydosch, assistant public information director for the blood center, said the Pitt / Penn State Blood Donor Challenge has already brought in 5,300 Penn State donations, with Pitt trailing at 4,600 pints.

With two days left to go, Gaydosch said even more donations are needed to "put Pitt away."

"They have done it before, and they could do it again," said Gaydosch. Pitt defeated Penn State in the 1983 Blood Donor Challenge.

Blood donation centers will be taking donations from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. today and tomorrow in the HUB Ballroom.

The winner will be announced before the Nov. 23 Donor Challenge game at the University of Pittsburgh, when either University President Bryce Jordan or University of Pittsburgh President Wesley Posner will accept the award for the outstanding number of donations.

—by Diane Woznicki

# H. Dev grads to speak at seminar

Undergraduate students considering graduate studies can attend the Human Development Student Council's graduate school information seminar at 7 tonight in 62 Willard.

Four graduate students from the College of Human Development will hold a panel discussion on admissions, financial aid, curriculum, information sources and graduate school selection. University graduate students from health planning and administration, hotel, restaurant and institutional management, individual and family studies and nutrition will make up the panel.

Council member Barry Kratchman said while the program will feature representatives from the four largest human development majors, students from all colleges can benefit.

"Even though it is not specifically geared to them, the questions we're going to ask apply to all students," he said.

Kratchman said following the four students' panel discussion, they will answer questions from the audience concerning graduate programs.

He added the program attracted about 100 students last year and the council expects at least that many tonight.

—by Scott A. Alderfer

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- A bicycle belonging to Kathleen Egan, 518 University Drive, was reported missing Sunday from outside her residence between Nov. 15 and 16, State College police said.
- A bicycle belonging to Josh Davison, 3101 Plaza Drive, was reported missing Sunday from the parking garage at his residence sometime between Nov. 13 and 17, police said.
- An umbrella, binoculars and \$120 belonging to Joe Wylouis of Shenandoah were reported missing Monday from his vehicle parked at Beaver Stadium since Nov. 16, police said.
- Patricia Green, 3105 Plaza Drive, reported Sunday that \$120 worth of clothing was missing from the laundry room in her building, State College police said.
- Julia Maddox, administrative aide, 133 Fenske, reported yesterday that \$38 was missing from 115 Fenske, University Police Services said.

## collegian notes

- The Marketing Association will hold career night at 7:30 tonight in 301 HUB.
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