

# Seminars set for pilot program

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Over 100 freshmen will be taking seminar classes next semester as part of a pilot program, but the planning for the seminars has not gone as smoothly as expected.

Only 17 proposals were received for seminars this semester, and 14 courses were offered to the participants of the pilot program.

The faculty approved the first-year seminar project last spring. At that point, Dean of Freshmen Paul Orser said, the group began to solicit proposals from faculty for courses.

In September, the committee on first-year seminars was created and immediately began to receive and review the proposals submitted by faculty, Orser said.

Since they were creating new courses, the committee cast a wide net to faculty across campus, said Anne Boyle, an associate professor of English and a member of the advisory committee for first-year seminars. The committee asked professors for proposals of courses, but they did not establish any criteria.

"We got far fewer proposals than we had anticipated," Boyle said.

She said though there are many reasons for the low number of proposals, the main factor was that most departments could not participate because they had already planned their academic year.

Boyle said she thinks another reason was that the committee did not formulate criteria.

The committee received 17 proposals and accepted 14 of them. Some of the proposals were in competition with each other, Boyle said. Even though departments sent in more than one proposal, some only had enough faculty for one. According to Boyle, the committee had originally wanted 15 courses to offer next semester.

"I really believe in this," Boyle said. "I think things just get off to a slow start."

When a packet was distributed to the pilot program students Oct. 30 offering the 14 courses, 131 freshmen completed it, rating their top three course choices as well as their last two choices.

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As a result of student response from the recent packet, 11 of the original 14 courses are offered next semester.

Since the students have returned the packet with their preferred choices, Orser said he has assigned the students to their top preferences. A vast majority received their first choice, he said.

Some of the courses meet divisional requirements, yet a majority do not. Boyle said she can imagine that this will present some problems.

Students were very interested in the courses that were most likely to receive divisional credit, Orser said. However, the faculty still has to approve whether each course will fulfill a requirement, Orser said.

The maximum amount of students in any of the 11 courses is 16. Orser said the smallest class holds four students.

Another problem with this pilot program is that plans will have to be made for the courses offered next fall without ever seeing the results from this spring, Boyle said.

The faculty committee will closely

follow the progress of these courses in the spring, Orser said.

"I think a lot of what we're looking at is the success of the seminar format," Orser said.

Faculty are excited to teach these courses which will account for a high probability of success, Orser said.

"My hope is that these evolve to be really strong and powerful courses," Boyle said. The university will need to establish approximately 60 courses for next fall to accommodate the entire freshman class, she said.

Orser said he thinks that there will be enough proposals and faculty involvement to fill this need. In the future, these courses will hopefully be linked to campus events, Boyle said.

"I think it could be a really good program, but I think we have a lot of work," she said.

"All students at Wake Forest should have a small seminar class and explore an issue closely with the faculty," Boyle said.

The seminar pilot program students are housed in Collins Residence Hall, along with the approximately 100 students who are part of the pilot program for the computer proposal, Orser said.

Over the summer, renovations occurred in Collins. Two new seminar rooms were constructed to contain some of the freshman seminars. One room is a bonafide seminar room, Orser said. It has a TV and VCR on the wall, surround sound, tables, chairs and a sofa.

The second room is set up as a seminar room primarily for computers. There are 28 ports along the walls and 18 at the tables.

Teaching in Collins has been accepted and well received by faculty and students, Orser said.

"I was really thrilled to see the enthusiasm of faculty to teach in Collins Hall," he said.

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bill until a further point in time, when more discussion and consideration has taken place.

Sophomore Will Ashworth, a member of the legislature, said, "I feel that the bill deserves consideration, however I think that tabling the bill was the right decision, because it will give us time to reconsider it and decide whether it needs to be amended."

Many members of the legislature felt that \$2,000 was an exorbitant sum to commission to a largely unheard of organization.

The Mortar Board organization is a senior honor society comprised of 26 students. Members of the organization are pledged to exhibit service, scholarship and leadership.

The book drive is part of the group's service project for this year.

One of the group's members formulated the idea after visiting a university in Pakistan this summer and observing the minimal resources that the university library contained.

Since then, Mortar Board has collected 200 pounds of books to ship to Pakistan. The problem, however, is locating the funds needed in order to be able to ship these books.

With the \$2,000 that the Appropriations and Budget Committee would allot to them, Mortar Board would be able to afford to send these books in addition to the 400 pounds of books that they hope to collect from students and faculty.

Sophomore David Slade, a member of the legislature,

said Mortar Board should make every possible attempt to raise the money on its own and then appeal to SG for funding.

"I think that Mortar Board is making a great effort to help a needy cause, however I would feel more comfortable talking to my constituents before voting for the bill," Slade said.

Senior Heather Nunez, the treasurer of the Mortar Board organization, was present during the debate over the bill to explain the project and answer any questions from the legislature.

Despite the fact that SG has tabled the bill, Mortar Board is determined to carry out its project somehow, Nunez said.

"This project is very important to the students in Mortar Board, and we will do whatever we can to obtain the money that we need," Nunez said.

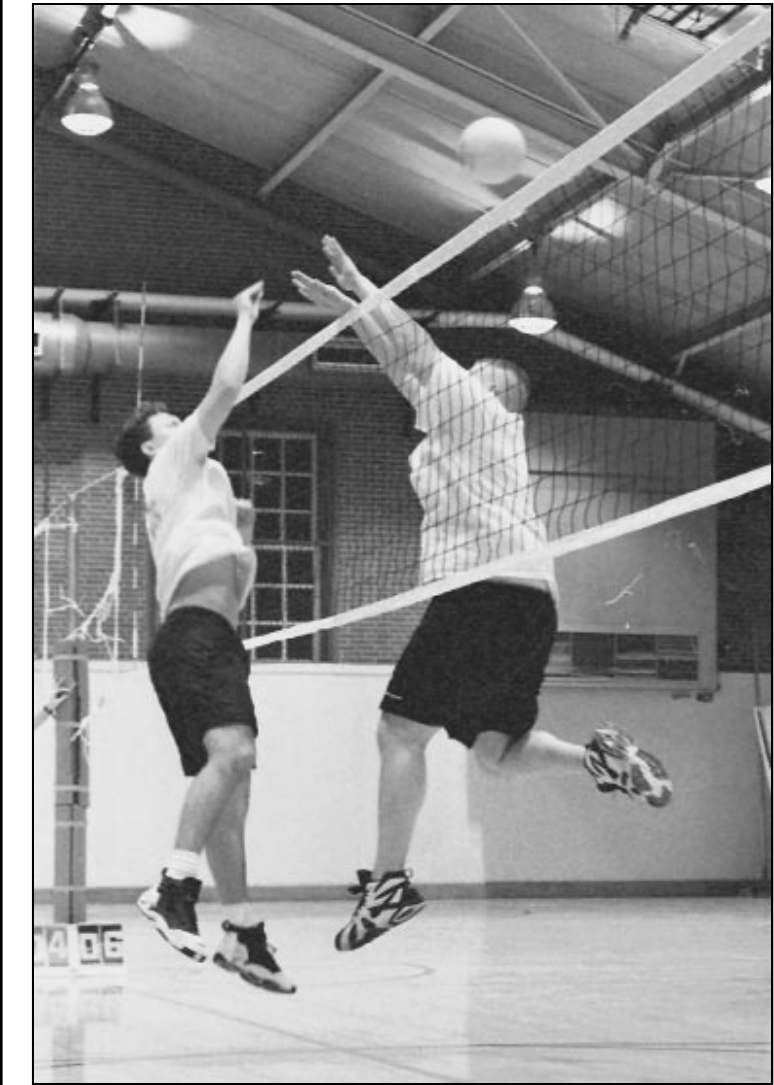
The contingency fund was established to fund groups in times of emergency, such as in instances when they themselves cannot provide the money or assets that they need, according to the Appropriations and Budget Committee.

According to members of Mortar Board, last year's membership left them minimal funds.

The money from the SG contingency fund would allow the group to send the books to Pakistan at a much earlier date than if they were to rely solely on fund-raising projects.

In addition, the legislature passed a bill that recommends that the Student Life Committee and the faculty grant a charter to the Community Development Task Force.

The purpose of this task force is to build a stronger community between the faculty, administration, students and residents of Winston-Salem through programs and campus activities.



Kristin Thompson

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The law and management combination may be purposely more relaxed than Gepfert admits, Divine said.

"The purpose of the current relationship was to have a vision, make a possibility, not force it," Divine said.

"We don't want to be too much beyond that. It (cooperation) has grown and now our purpose is to let students know the courses are there."

The development of joint curriculum is left up to the individual faculty member; there is no person or office which mandates interaction at either school.

"Cooperation is encouraged from the top down, but there is not a mandate," Taylor said.

Dean Gary Costley of the Babcock School said in Gepfert's article, "We can't teach interdisciplinary cooperation too much. (That) is what management is all about."

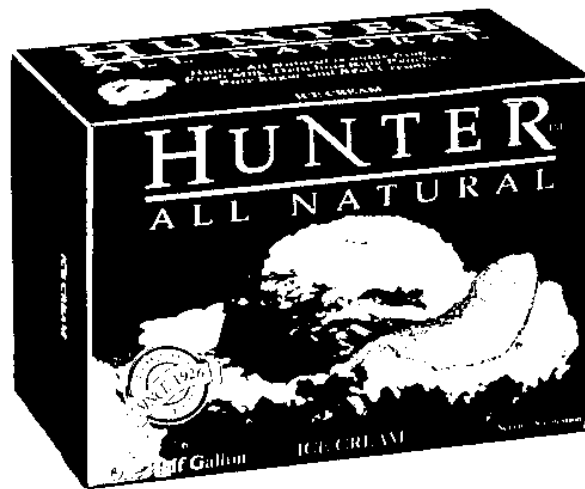
"Nobody thought this would come overnight. We're making progress," Divine said. "I am not alarmed at the article. I know the reporter attempted to be fair."

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