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Anthro to continue undergraduate major

By Heather Seely
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The department of anthropology is capable of continuing to provide a high-quality undergraduate major, Paul Escott, the dean of the college, and Provost David Brown decided after reviewing the plan submitted in early November by the department.

A letter sent to the department of anthropology from Escott, Brown and Gordon Melson, the dean of the graduate school, said that they are happy with the

revisions made by the department as detailed in its report.

"The administration and department are pleased with the progress that has already been made to strengthen and improve the department," Escott said. "The administration and the faculty of the department will continue to work together to offer the highest quality program to our undergraduates."

"(The administrators) concur with our judgments," said Carole Browne, a professor of biology and the chairwoman of the anthropology department.

The plan detailed the department's activities in scholarship and the revised curriculum approved this semester. The plan also included the department's general activities such as the anthropology club, museum and seminars that Browne feels said she "make it a community of scholarship."

The curriculum review was a main feature of the plan because of the many changes being made to the curriculum. "It is a totally revised curriculum. It is going to be a lot of work for them to put it into place," Browne said.

Browne said, however, that she feels confident with the department's ability to implement the plan because of the faculty's general acceptance. "They are pleased with the final product," Browne said.

Two of the main changes include the combination of the two anthropology divisional courses into one and the addition of three new 200-level courses. These courses will address the three sections of anthropology: archeology, biological anthropology and cultural

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Festival of Lights

Members of ASIA dance with candles in the Diwali Dance, a traditional Indian dance. To celebrate the holiday season student groups, including ASIA, Agape, the Gospel Choir, and others displayed their dancing and singing talents at the Festival of Lights in Benson University Center Dec. 2.

Provost leaves post to consult

ICCEL formed to offer computer advice

By Jenny Blackford
News Editor

E-mail, the Internet and general computing use are quickly becoming staples of college life. Capitalizing on this new trend, the university announced another program which draws the university and IBM closer together.

In a press conference held Nov. 21, President Thomas K. Hearn Jr. announced the formation of the International Center for Computer Enhanced Learning, which will operate from the university campus. Provost David Brown will leave his position to work in the new initiative. "Wake Forest has become a leader in ubiquitous computing," Hearn said. "We have an obligation to share our knowledge and an opportunity to advance education."

The program will be a consulting firm of university and IBM experts that help other universities incorpo-

rate new technologies into their programs.

The university is currently not sure whether ICCEL will turn a profit. "We expect to make ICCEL to pay for its expenses and then support our operating budget," said John Anderson, the vice president of finance and administration.

ICCEL will allow other universities to observe how ubiquitous computing technology has been implemented at the university, hold presentations at other schools and hold conferences where worldwide technology experts can share information with a number of universities.

The university has had members from more than 200 American universities and 19 institutions from abroad come to campus in the past two years to see how the ubiquitous computing technology has been implemented.

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Students to start registering via Internet in '99

By Carolyn K. Lay
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Waiting in line in the Green Room to register may soon become a thing of the past. Registration for classes could be changed as early as spring 1999.

ThinkPad or on-line registration will replace the current manual system. According to Steve Benton, an assistant registrar,

the actual software is in place, but the university is still testing and changing the program.

The new system would allow students to register through their ThinkPads or any computers equipped with Netscape Navigator.

"It will definitely be more convenient for the student," Benton said.

The university is working with a program

called IRISLINK. Students will have their own profile, which can only be accessed with a password. The profile will contain the general campus information. The student can then choose to view their course schedule, financial aid status, account with the controller, past schedules, and transcript.

"The registration will be in the same style, by rounds. We'll still do registration

with majors and minors then students can choose their optional classes," Benton said.

Students will get an allotted time to log in to the program. They can then add, drop or swap classes on the computer.

The system allows students to see the classes that are available by subject or by time.

It can also be configured to allow students to only sign up for so many credits,

such as the 20 currently allowed by the university. To add more credits than the allowed number, students must enter a password that they can only receive from the dean. For classes that require permission from the instructor, the student also will need to obtain a password from that instructor.

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ID numbers accidentally released over Internet

By Dan Durand
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Information recently acquired by the *Old Gold and Black* indicates that student identification numbers were available over the Internet for an unknown amount of time. The ID numbers are no longer available. Reportedly, the information became available when campus personnel inadvertently changed the file attributes of a file named "itcpq.txt," accidentally making the information accessible over the Internet.

Anyone entering a student name into the university home page's search engine several weeks ago would have received the "itcpq.txt" file as a possible hit. Clicking on the file name would have then revealed the last names, identification numbers and card numbers of every student on campus in addition to those of many faculty members. Such numbers

are used to keep track of expense accounts and meal plans, tracking the fate of millions of dollars of students' money. Students have obtained the information at least twice, as the *Old Gold and Black* has received two identical copies of the file in question.

Freshman Jon Frech, one of the students who uncovered the Internet leak, expressed his concerns for the possibilities of abuse of such information. "I wouldn't choose to give that information to strangers on campus, much less the entire world. Personally, I think that the university owes us all an apology," Frech said. Student identification numbers are considered private information by the university, and the files were recently removed from the public eye when the error was discovered. The file attributes were restored to privacy. The original mistake apparently occurred during testing that was part

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Guard gives advice, mints

McBride's smile familiar to students

By Ginny Bunch
Contributing Reporter

Students who visit the Z. Smith Reynolds Library for late-night studying meet a friendly face as they enter the library door:

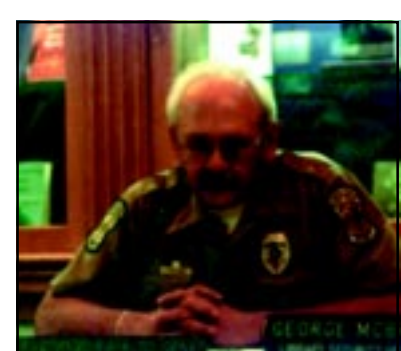
George McBride, the library security guard.

McBride often passes his time in the library reading a good action mystery. He reads one or two books a week, and his favorite writers include Tom Clancy and John

Grisham. He said: "The two best books I've ever read were recommended by students: *Absolute Power* and *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil*. I often buy books just because the title intrigues me."

He is always smiling and interested in the students who pass him, offering them mints, advice or just a few words to brighten up hours of study.

McBride said that when he started working in the library two years ago a one-pound package of peppermints and spearmints would last him two weeks. Now, though, since more people have discovered his treats, he goes through four two-pound bags each month. He said, however, that he doesn't mind and that the



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Library guard George McBride keeps watch at the entrance of the library.

smallest things are worth the most. According to McBride: "(The best part is) helping students and making people smile. I see how

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