

Faculty Conduct Code revamp proposed

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A proposal for a sweeping change in the University's conduct program is currently under study by the Student Conduct Committee.

The proposal, the result of approximately nine months' work by an ad hoc faculty committee, would change the name of the code from Student Conduct Code to University Community Code, and would include faculty members and staff under its jurisdiction.

The report recommending these changes was presented at the Nov. 5 faculty meeting and was postponed pending review by the present Student Conduct Committee.

One of the most controversial aspects of the proposal, the inclusion of faculty as well as students in a University-wide code, was the result of a determination by the committee made up of half faculty and half students, that "we should make a start toward community government," according to William Simpson, chairman of the committee.

"Faculty have to follow certain rules, too," he said, "and the code should formally recognize this fact."

Under the proposal, rules governing the conduct of faculty members would be reprinted from the Administrative Manual and included in the University Community Code, where students could see them.

Also, the new code would include equal traffic enforcement for faculty, staff and students, including a joint traffic court.

In addition, the proposal provides for a new offense, to apply to both faculty and students, involving "prejudiced or arbitrary action which affects the formal status of a faculty or student member of

the University community."

Under this provision, Simpson said, a student would be able to file action in the University Court against a faculty member who he thought had given him an unfair grade.

If the court found in the student's favor, however, it would not be able to change his grade. Under the proposal, the court could order a notation entered with the court's findings on the student's record and a letter with findings sent to the head of the affected department.

This, Simpson said, was decided by the committee in order to avoid interfering with the instructor's right to give a grade.

"Some faculty members feel that allowing a court to change a grade is an infringement on academic freedom," he said, "and we wanted to keep out of that."

Besides the changes involving the faculty members, the committee report includes changes in the function of the Conduct Committee by creation of a University appeals board.

DORM COURTS PROPOSED

Another provision of the committee proposal is to create dormitory courts and to divide the roles of counselor and proctor.

According to the report, "The University should have no greater and no less concern with discipline in the dormitories than it has with discipline in off-campus housing."

However as long as regulation is necessary, the report continues, the discipline and counseling functions should be separated and special "proctors" should be named to keep order.

The recommendations concerning the

faculty and the ones on the dormitories were named by two members of the Student Committee as special areas of concern.

The offense of arbitrary and prejudicial action has some problems, according to William Lacy, chairman of the Conduct Committee.

The way the provision is drawn, he said, is very broad, but "does not change the student's grade, which seems to me what the student would be concerned with."

In addition, both Lacy, a professor of law, and Don Chalmers, student member of the Conduct Committee, said they were concerned about creation of the position of "proctor" in the dorms.

"EQUALITY" QUESTIONED

"We haven't been able to figure out where we'd find the people to do the job," Chalmers said. "They seem to me to be University-hired baby-sitters."

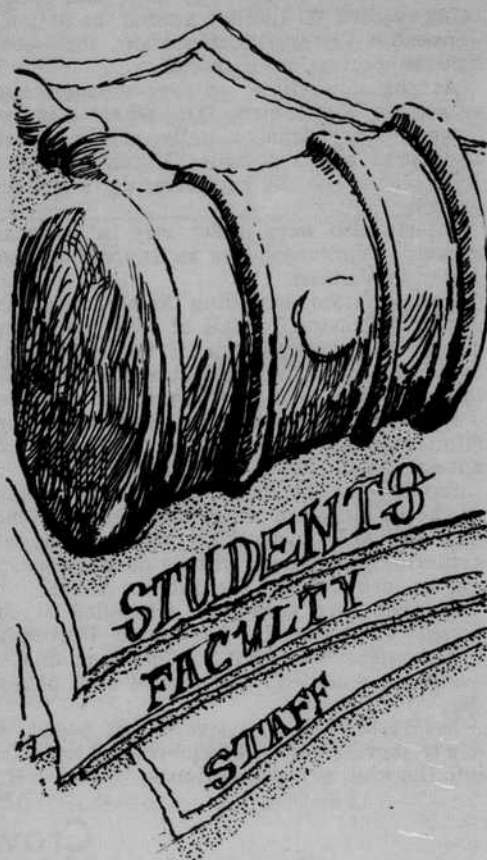
Chalmers, however, said the inclusion of the faculty under the code did not go far enough.

"There are some offenses listed as 'pertinent to students only' that could also apply to the faculty. Things like the use of violence or misuse of University property," he said.

Lacy, however, said that "just because these things are not listed for the faculty does not mean it's all right."

The question, he said, is how a faculty member should be dealt with—whether he should face the same court as a student.

"I personally feel that as a faculty member, I am subject to much more exacting standards than are students," he said, "and that the difference in roles will mean there should be a difference in rules and methods of enforcement."



Grape purchase cuts scheduled

The University grape purchases will be adjusted further downward in the future after 75 pounds of grapes served at dormitories Tuesday were left uneaten, according to Richard Romm, assistant director of dormitories.

Romm said that a total of 266 pounds of grapes were purchased and served at dormitories lunchtime Tuesday and that a full 75 pounds of these were left over.

"We'll adjust our purchases downward . . . based on a percentage figure," he said.

Grapes already purchased, however, will continue to be served until used up, Romm added.

A representative of the grape boycott, Jean Oliver, commented on the relationship between these purchases and a recent poll conducted in dormitories to determine purchasing policies which indicated that only 25 per cent of the dorm residents favored the University's purchasing of grapes:

"Our position is that since only 25 per cent requested grapes be purchased it is only common sense that they shouldn't have bought so many. They bought enough for 40 per cent."

Graduation forms due

The list of all degree candidates for the Dec. 12 Graduation Convocation is now being compiled by the Registrar's Office. The last day upon which an Application for Degree can be filed for inclusion in this list is Nov. 14.

All transcripts from other schools must have been filed and all current University work finished not later than Dec. 19.

Any student who has applied previously and did not receive the degree must re-apply. Likewise, any student who does not meet the above deadlines must re-apply for a future date.

Honorary offers \$2,000 fellowship

Five fellowships for graduate study are being offered by the national freshman women's honorary, Alpha Lambda, for the 1970-71 academic year.

The amount of each fellowship open to any member of the honorary who graduated in 1967, 1968 or 1969 is \$2,000. Attendance at a graduate school which has a chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta, is encouraged.

Applicants, who have maintained a scholastic average of 3.50 throughout their college career, will be judged on scholastic record, recommendations and soundness of project and purpose, as well as need, to some extent.

Graduating seniors may apply if they have maintained a 3.50 grade point average to the end of the first term of this year.

Application blanks and information may be obtained from Charlene Blackburn, offices of Student Services, Emerald Hall.

Practicality overrides use of eternal flame

BRADFORD, Pa. (AP) — It took just six hours to find a practical use for an eternal flame lit in honor of Veterans Day by townspeople.

Cemetery officials are thinking about removing the torch after police found several youths toasting marshmallows over it Monday.

SPEED KILLS



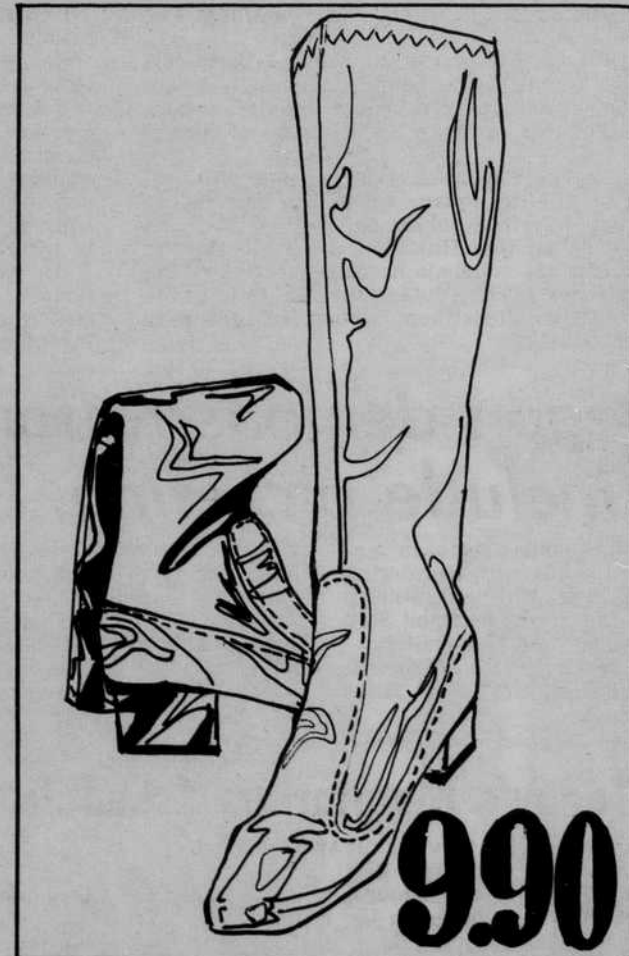
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