

Sliced, chewed up and spit out

Higher ed is on the block

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This article is the second in a series that explores past, present and future cuts in the University's schools and departments and what affect those cuts will have.

Gov. Vic Atiyeh won few friends in higher education Monday, when he asked state colleges and universities to cut 10 percent more from their budgets.

Universities and colleges have already been sliced, chewed up and spit out, according to most educators.

Salaries for professors are sliding below national norms.

"We're at the edge and we can't tolerate any more," says Bill Gilland, dean of the architecture school. More University deans than you agree with him.

"Not even talking fat anymore, you're talking muscle," says Robert Gilbert, dean of education school.

On Gilbert's desk there's a sign that reads: "Things could be worse, you could have my job."

What kind of job do the educators in charge of the colleges have?

Consider that each has lost key faculty and staff.

Consider that each has been asked to prepare to cut back even further.

Consider that none of them know where else they are going to cut without doing considerable damage.

But a few of the deans have taken a "positive" approach. Everette Dennis, dean of the journalism school, says he doesn't have a "gloomy, chicken little, the sky is falling" attitude.

"The fiscal crisis pushes for more creativity," says Dennis who sees that push for creativity as a good step. "The question is one of quality, maintaining quality."

And to maintain quality, Dennis is still concerned that the journalism school "retains what we have."

Most of the schools aren't just shadows of their former selves. Most are functioning even though staffs have been cut.

As a matter of fact, the business school is enrolling as many students as it can take, their waiting list of undergraduate

students is reaching 500 names, says Jim Reinmuth, dean of the business school.

"Over 40 percent of the freshman want a business major," says Reinmuth.

But some of the heads of schools are in charge of departments that aren't in the same category as the business school.

Community Service and Public Affairs has been cut in half as recently as 1977. Ken Tollenar, dean of CSPA, is a little worried but he feels that CSPA has been to the chopping block enough.

"There's a lot of hysteria, I have to keep reminding myself that because the state makes recommendations that they're not automatically implemented," says Tollenar. "The last cut was a blessing in disguise, but we've taken our lumps."

Tollenar says that of 14 full-time equivalent faculty, CSPA has lost one position and of three graduate teaching fellows, they've lost one. The numbers aren't large but the impact is.

Almost all of the departments have the same attitude, that the impact of lost faculty isn't relative to numbers.

Gilbert says that one of his department's programs — school psychologist — is short staffed and that if the problem isn't corrected by next summer, it may not be accredited.

There is a great deal of concern.

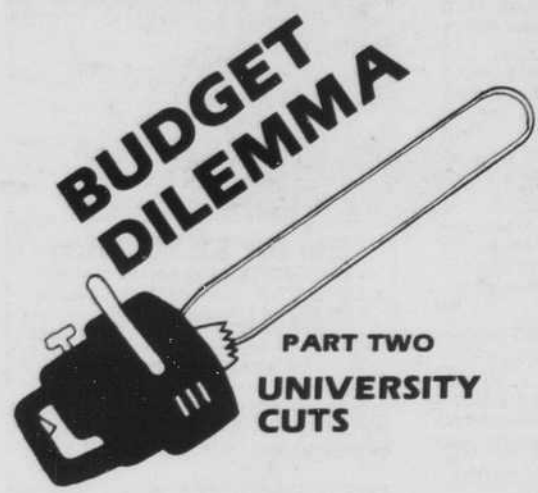
Most of the departments and deans of schools show concern but they're not sure how much of their budget they should be concerned about.

Tomorrow this series will look at the future and what is in store for this biennium and just what most people are concerned with.

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And they have a point. Tuition in Oregon has risen to among the highest on the West Coast while state support for higher education has dropped to 48th in the nation.

Thatcher decries rape penalties

LONDON — Judges should sentence most convicted rapists to automatic prison terms, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said Tuesday, responding to public concern over the recent lenient handling of rape cases by British courts and police.

Declaring rape a "detestable and odious crime," Thatcher told the House of Commons, "I share the welcome" given by lawmakers to a recommendation by the lord chief justice that convicted rapists be jailed in almost every case.

The lord chief justice, Lord Lane, said only in "wholly exceptional circumstances" should a convicted rapist not be jailed. He did not say what those exceptional circumstances were, but did spell out factors to be taken into account when determining the severity of the sentence, such

as: use of excessive violence, weapons and whether the victim was very young or very old.

The prime minister told the House of Commons: "It is absolutely vital that women should have confidence in the ability of the law to protect them against this violent, detestable and odious crime, and to see that persons are found guilty should they commit it."

Protests on handling rape cases gathered force after a disclosure that Scottish authorities took no action against three teenagers who allegedly raped a woman and slashed her with a razor blade.

Earlier this month a British judge set a rapist free with a fine and accused the young victim of "contributory negligence" because she hitched a ride home after a

late-night dance at an air base. And a TV documentary Monday night showed detectives stridently disputing a woman's rape complaint.

Now lawmakers, women's organizations and the press are demanding changes in legal procedures involving a crime committed an average 1,200 times a year in this country.

The controversy surfaced Jan. 4 when a judge at Ipswich Crown Court set free a confessed rapist with a fine of \$3,800.

On Monday, nearly 50 members of Parliament signed a House of Commons motion asking Lord Hailsham, the Lord Chancellor — England's highest legal officer — to dismiss Judge Bertrand Richards from the bench because of the lenient sentence he passed.

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The Marketing Association will hold a general meeting for all pre-business and business majors today at 6 p.m. in Room 338, Gilbert Hall.
The EMU Budget Committee will meet today at 4 p.m. in Room 337, EMU.
The National Student Exchange Program is holding a special informational meeting today at 4:30 p.m. in the EMU Forum for all students interested in exchanging schools in 1982-83. Current exchange students from various universities and former exchange students from the University will be in attendance to answer questions.
- WORKSHOPS**
"Choosing a Major — How to Get Started" is the topic of a workshop for undecided majors today at 3:30 p.m. in the Academic Resource Area, Room 164, Oregon Hall. Learn how majors relate to jobs after college, how to develop a minor area of study and how to double major. Staff members from Academic Advising & Student Services and the Career Planning & Placement Service will be present.
- SPEAKERS**
"Reincarnation, Karma and Proof" is the topic of a lecture by Luis Pigeon today from 3:30-5:30 p.m. in Room 102, Gilbert Hall.
Bob Davis, general manager of KMTR-TV, will give a presentation today from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Allen Room, on the third floor of Allen Hall. KMTR-TV will go on the air this fall as the area's third television station.
"The Future of the Equal Rights Amendment — What You Can Do To Help" is the topic of a speech by Joanne E. Egan, legislative coordinator for the National Organization of Women, today at 5 p.m. in Room 110, EMU.

- Afterwards, the University Democrats will hold a business meeting.
- SEMINARS**
"Look to the Land: A National and Regional Sustainable Future" is the focus of a seminar today in Room 214, EMU. From 8:30-10:30 a.m. there will be an open discussion on the future of biological agriculture in Lane County. There will be a presentation on the "Cornucopia Project" at 7:30 p.m. by Richard Harwood, director of research, Rodale Institute; and Patrick Madden, professor of agricultural economics, Penn State University.
- MISCELLANEOUS**
The Marketing Association will be having their wine and cheese party this afternoon from 4-6 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge, Gilbert Hall. All Marketing Association members are invited to attend.
Hewlett-Packard will be holding a reception for MBA students only on Thursday afternoon from 3-5 p.m. in Gerlinger Lounge.
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