University offers more awards

The University plans to offer more National Merit Scholarships to incoming freshmen next year than it has offered any year since the program began four years ago, according to Admissions Director Jim Buch.

The scholarships, which are awarded on the basis of need and academic achievement, are being presented to 19 freshmen, compared to three National Merit Scholarships awarded in 1979 and eight in 1980.

High school students begin competing for the grants during their junior year. Those who score among the top one-anda-half percent in the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test are selected as semi-finalists.

Selected students apply for either a college-sponsored or corporation-sponsored four-year Merit Scholarship, a National Merit Scholarship — worth \$1,000 — or a four-year Special Scholarship.

The college and corporationsponsored grants range from \$250 to \$2,000 per year, as does the Special Scholarship. The National Merit Scholarship is a one-time, lump sum of \$1,000.

Buch says the increased number of scholarship recipients choosing the University may be partly because tuition at private schools has become quite expensive.

Despite this increase, Buch predicts a decrease in the total number of new students for the 1982-83 academic year.

He attributes part of the projected enrollment decrease to the new grade point average requirement for in-state freshmen, 2.75 instead of the previous 2.5.

Correction

A review of the University Theatre's production that the Emerald printed April 15 contained two errors. The article, which said that the role of Essie's husband was played by Peter Strubel, should have named Douglas Hout as the actor. The sets, which the article said Jerry Williams designed, were actually designed by David Rimerman.

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Cox says 'freeze' is step one to no nukes

The first step to reduce the possibility of nuclear war is to halt further build-up of nuclear arms, says a Harvard University professor.

"None of the next steps will come," says Harvey Cox, "until we take this step for a nuclear freeze. It has strategic and psychological importance."

"I don't think for a moment that a nuclear freeze is the answer," he told a Monday night audience at Emerald Baptist Church. "But it seems to be the first step we can use to enlist a large number of people." Disarmament can only come after a nuclear freeze, he added.

Cox works with the Traprock Peace Center in Western Massachusetts that works for the establishment of a freeze on nuclear weapons. The coordinated nuclear freeze effort began with the Traprock Peace Center in March 1980, he said.

"Six people in Deerfield, Mass. wanted to get a bilateral nuclear moratorium on the ballot," he said. Petitions were distributed and "enormous amounts of people supported it.

"These were just plain, ordinary people. Used car salesmen and nurses. In just a few short weeks, they (the Traprock Peace Center) discovered they had enough signatures to get it on the ballot."

Large numbers of people are



Harvey Cox

involved in the nuclear freeze movement because "we have reached a point where the existing political mechanism has become unresponsive to something that is on the hearts and minds of the people.

"All of this — tactical, first strike, or whatever — is madness. It's a movement toward species annihilation."

Once the issue is brought before them, politicians will have to respond, Cox said.

"This is the largest grassroots movement to pass through America in many years. The candidates will simply have to address themselves to the issue, especially if they want to get reelected."

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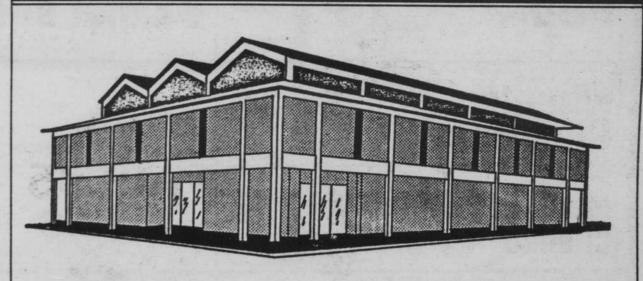
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