



Photo by Bob Baker

These new Apple II computers should help to ease the long lines of students waiting to use terminals.

## Computer center nets shiny Apples

A reorganization in the computing center and the installation of 19 new Apple II micro-computers may help to ease the overcrowding that caused problems in past years.

The computing center, which previously operated as Contract in Academic Programming, has split into two separate divisions.

The Academic and Research Computing division will deal mainly with student and teaching concerns, while the General Applications Programming division will aim primarily at administrative and special purpose work.

According to ARC member Rich Haller, the new programs will make the center much more efficient.

"The main focus of ARC is on helping the students and teachers understand how to use the computers," says

Haller. "With the change, we've freed up time that previously had to be spent on non-academic concerns."

The 19 new computers more than double the number of terminals available.

Hour-long waits were not uncommon in the past, but with the installation of the new computers, the problem should be alleviated, Haller says.

But while the center has become more efficient, it remains extremely understaffed, said Haller. The entire staff consists of only nine people and several student workers.

Haller cited funding problems the reason for cutbacks on staff and center hours.

"We don't have the staff or the money to keep open any longer than we do," Haller says. "It's ridiculous how little time we have."

## Mock Senate has 24 openings

Applications are available for 24 openings in the Mock U.S. Senate Leadership and Steering Committee class winter term.

The Political Science Student Union-sponsored class prepares students to handle leadership roles for the U.S. Senate Simulation class spring term. The positions include a majority leader and "whip," a minority leader and "whip," eight Republican committee chairmen and seven

ranking Democrat members.

Students will be required to cover 10 state delegations and three committees. The class' student organizer will recommend grades to the faculty adviser, who grades the students.

The class will be on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, but a specific time has not been approved. Applications are available in the PSSU and political science department offices.

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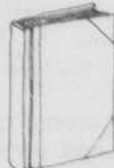
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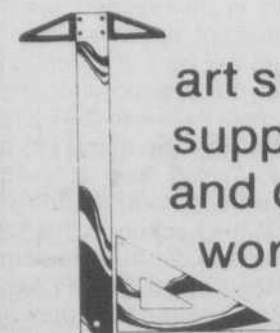


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