

## Women's Colleges

I was glad to see your coverage of women's colleges (EDUCATION). We, too, find it hard to believe that women's colleges are an endangered species. We've just enrolled one of our largest classes in history, have seen our endowment triple in the past seven years and have received 100 percent payment of our alumnae pledges in our annual fund drive. We realize that the success of our college will require wit and work, but we're excited by the quality and the diversity of the students we serve.

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Your article on Goucher College's decision to admit male students because of a declining enrollment was informative and revealing. But one point needs to be qualified. A senior student is quoted as saying, "A lot of students and faculty were forced to come to terms with their feminism." Wrong! What they had to come to terms with was their sexism.

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There are no "freshmen" or "upperclassmen" at Bryn Mawr College. Linguistic equality is the first and most important step toward actualization of women's equality in our society. One's thoughts and actions can never be unbiased if the words one uses are sexually discriminating.

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A *Maurtyr* (as Bryn Mawr students call themselves)  
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## Student Loans

I was very disturbed by Cindy Spitzer's "Lessons From a Student Loan" (MY TURN). Guaranteed-student-loan obligations require mature and responsible behavior on the part of the students. Ms. Spitzer's "inconveniences" seem to have been self-inflicted and her flippant attitude toward the repayment of her loans was annoying. Student-loan programs are not intended to create a nation of professionals who will have to fall back upon bankruptcy. I will soon begin repaying every cent of a \$26,775 student-loan obligation that provided me with the only possible means to graduate from law school.

GEORGE R. BATES JR.  
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Spitzer's "Lessons From a Student Loan" made interesting reading. I had the same problem when my loan went into default. I made a lot of phone calls, wrote hundreds of letters, but neither the calls nor the letters helped me. After New York state purchased the loan from my bank, I gave up hope and started paying \$50 a month. I, too, should have gone to the top!

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