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## Briefly

More than one-third of students attending schools in the Oregon State System of Higher Education have also attended Oregon community colleges at one time or another.

According to a preliminary study from the state system and the Oregon Office of Community College Services, 34 percent of the sample of graduating students in the state had Oregon community college experience, said Susan Weeks, director of Institutional Research Service for the state system.

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## Arts

The trials and tribulations of college life are chronicled in an original University play, "Leap of Faith."

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## Sports



Richard Lucas

The Oregon men's basketball team revisited Saturday's contest against Wisconsin, as Athletes in Action dumped the Ducks on a three-point shot in the closing seconds 93-92 during an exhibition game Tuesday night at McArthur Court.

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## Nationally

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — Brown University women are scrawling the names of alleged rapists on the bathroom walls in a guerrilla attempt to get the school to do more about sexual assault among students.

Brown spokesman Robert Reichley called the women "Magic Marker terrorists" and said they face expulsion if caught.



Photo by Andre Ranieri

Camile Hazeur (right) and Dhyana Ziegler, visiting campus until Thursday, gave a presentation Tuesday night on fostering a friendly environment for minority students and faculty.

## N's to be figured into grade averages as F's

By Christopher Blair  
Emerald Managing Editor

Students who believed they could take a class for pass/no-pass credit and not have it hurt their grade point average if they failed may be in for a surprise when grades arrive in December.

This term's grade reports will carry both term and cumulative grade point averages; an N (no-pass) will figure into a term and total GPA the same as an F, dragging the average down.

In 1978, the University faculty ruled an N should count as an F when computing grade averages. Although the University did not compute official GPAs for students between 1970 and 1990, departments used "grade point indexes" for internal matters, such as determining whether a student could attain major status.

Undergraduate students using the pass/no-pass grade option receive a P for a C- or above, an N for a D+ or below. A P does not figure into the GPA.

The faculty rule did state that in the event a University-wide GPA was re-established — as it will be this term — students could have 15 hours of N on their transcripts and not have it hurt their averages.

The University's new Banner

Information Systems computer, however, does not have the capability to ignore a student's first 15 N hours, said Kate Johnson, associate registrar. For that reason, all N grades a student receives at the University will be counted as F's, retroactive through his or her transcript.

Johnson said the factoring of grades was not the only factor in the decision to use the new system, which will ultimately be used for financial aid, billing, class scheduling and an experimental telephone registration system next summer session.

"It's necessary that we move over to the new system totally," she said. "The old system and the new system are different in so many ways. There's no way to do registration on one system, and grades on another."

Johnson said the 15-hour rule could be reinstated once the transfer to the new system is complete, but the change could take two or more years.

"Then we can start to look at making some modifications," she said. "It's a huge job."

In the meantime, Johnson said students who are in danger of either disqualification or not graduating because of their N

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## Visitors discuss minority climate

By Peter Cogswell  
Emerald Associate Editor

Two University of Tennessee faculty members are on campus to discuss the importance of establishing a hospitable and welcoming climate for faculty and students of color.

Dhyana Ziegler, a professor of communications, and Camile Hazeur, Tennessee's affirmative action director, spoke at an open forum on race relations Tuesday night in the EMU Walnut Room.

While on campus through Thursday the pair will train a cross section of University faculty, staff and students in their methodology of group process consultation, Ziegler said.

Ziegler and Hazeur incorporate videos using scripts based on actual transcripts of discussions with students in their work on improving race relations between Tennessee faculty and students.

With these videos they hope to improve faculty/student relations, an area Tennessee had some problems with in the past that were not being addressed, Ziegler said.

The pair uses the videos as discussion tools and not as vindictive "this is the way it is" sermons, Ziegler said.

"The assumption is that teachers want to become better teachers," she said. While Ziegler and Hazeur have focused primarily on faculty/student relationships in their work, their interest goes far beyond this limited scope.

"As adults we must avail ourselves," Hazeur said. "We are all human beings and all interested in each other. If we don't like people we need to at least make that decision on personality and not on ethnicity or race."

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## KRMA closer to airing

By Carrie Dennett  
Emerald Reporter

Organizers of campus radio station KRMA are locating broadcast equipment, preparing to hire a station manager and hoping to be on the air before the end of winter term, KRMA director James January said Monday.

Also, organizers are preparing a budget proposal for 1991-92 to submit to the Incidental Fee Committee, but are requesting an extension beyond the IFC's Dec. 6 deadline for proposals of more than \$5,000, January said.

The size of KRMA's request will depend on factors such as how many pieces of used studio equipment the station receives from Oregon Public Broadcasting and KWAX, the University's classical music radio station, he said.

"We've basically given them a wish list," January said. "They may go down the list and only be able to give us one or two items, or they may be able to give us almost everything."

January said KRMA's budget total will also depend on the amount of rent, if any, the station is charged when it finds a campus loca-

tion. Organizers are waiting for a decision by the University's space committee and hoping for room in the EMU, which may not require rent.

This year KRMA is receiving \$25,861 in student incidental fees, which breaks down to 48 cents from each student per term.

A substantial portion of the radio station's budget may eventually come from underwriting, in which businesses donate money in exchange for mention of their names on the air.

Underwriting is similar to advertising, but radio stations cannot mention prices or sales of underwriters' merchandise or services. Businesses can use their donations as tax write-offs.

Even if the station's budget needs exceed the current \$25,800, January said he expects the station will be granted the additional funds it needs from the IFC.

Meanwhile, KRMA organizers will accept applications for a station manager position during the first two weeks of winter term. January said the position is not paid, but credit can be arranged through the ESCAPE program when the station begins broadcasting.