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## IFC spending clip may force student fees higher

□ If student enrollment drops, incidental costs could rise above current \$103 per term

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At the rate the Incidental Fee Committee is going this budget season, students can expect to pay higher fees next year.

The IFC, which is about mid-

way through its 1992-93 budget season, has allocated more money this year than last for the same programs.

If this budgeting trend continues and enrollment drops next year as anticipated, this could mean fewer students will bear a greater burden to support existing programs through increased incidental fees.

This year, each student paid \$103 per term in incidental fees. Incidental fee money supports a total of 77 ASUO programs, the athletic department, the EMU, LTD and the campus

recycling program.

(Students pay an additional \$54.50 for the Student Health Center and \$18.50 for a state-mandated building fee.)

Fees are based on IFC budget allocations and student enrollment — and next year's enrollment figures are uncertain. The latest 1992-93 enrollment estimate from the University Budget Office is between 16,300 and 17,000.

These figures represent a range that has been characterized as "optimistic" by the budget office and "incredibly

naive" and "unrealistic" by IFC Budget Analyst Steve Masat and committee Chairwoman Lydia Lerma.

Masat, who said he called the budget office about 20 times to get the 1992-93 enrollment estimates, said the figures the IFC finally got in writing were significantly higher than numbers he heard over the phone.

"We're having difficulty settling in on a number," said University Budget Director Trent Spradling. "There are a



Lydia Lerma

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## Duck Call registration breaks down again

□ After 1,500 students were rescheduled just last week, second shutdown affects 200 more

By Lisa Millegan  
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The University registration system Duck Call broke down again Tuesday night, just one day after it had been repaired.

University staff were able to get the system going again by Wednesday morning.

About 200 students were unable to register between 5:15 and 8 p.m. Tuesday because of a problem with the University Computing Center's disk storage media, the same problem that caused Duck Call's first breakdown last week.

Coincidentally, last week's shutdown also started shortly

after 5 p.m. As many as 1,500 students were affected, and some student registration times were rescheduled as a result of the problem.

The University staff worked from 5 p.m. Thursday to 8 p.m. Saturday to fix the system.

After Tuesday night's shutdown, University personnel called the California manufacturer of the database that supports Duck Call for help.

Staffers from Oracle's California office were able to assist University personnel with repairs through advice over the phone. By 11:45 p.m., Duck Call was operating again.

However, University Registrar Herb Chorock said neither University staff nor the database's manufacturer know exactly what is causing the system breakdowns. He said the company is currently working

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## OPS defends policy

□ Aggressive bike ticketing called necessary for pedestrian safety

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Despite recent controversy over campus security's handling of bicycle violations, the Office of Public Safety maintains it is doing a reasonable job.

Last week, campus security came under fire after an officer handcuffed 64-year-old Professor John Beebe following an ar-

gument over a bicycle citation. Public Safety Officer Otis Scarborough made the arrest after the professor ran into him with his bike.

Following the incident, several students wrote letters to the *Emerald* complaining the officer used excessive force.

Don Lee, associate director of campus security, said he believes the officer acted appropriately under the circumstances.

"The officer at that particular time thought it was necessary to do that for his protection and for the protection of the indi-

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## High anxiety



Photo by Dylan Couler

Architecture senior Jon Mehischau diligently works on his final project, which is due next week in his spatial composition and dynamics class. Typically, this is a highly stressful time for architecture students.



### TOGETHER

Campus interracial couples are not physically threatened, but they do face prejudices.

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### BYE-BYE BOB

Presidential hopeful Sen. Bob Kerrey is expected to withdraw his bid for the Democratic nomination today, close aides to the senator say.

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### BILL STAYS

Florida eliminates Bill Byrne from its list of athletic director finalists.

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