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the first thing to rely on as self-protection."

Uzi Halimun, an Indonesian student, said it was necessary for the government as well as people to focus more on broader issues than just gun-control.

"The society itself needs to change," Halimun said. "Americans need to think why people are so afraid that they feel they should get and keep guns. Why do they have to take up guns and use them to solve problems without using any alternatives? Imposing tougher gun-control laws or putting more policemen on the streets is not going to make any positive results."

"Even if there will be stricter gun-control laws, the government should think about how to implement those measures. Politicians can't just set up laws to restrict circulation of guns among people who are scared of their violent environment while real thugs and bandits are able to get guns from black market. They should attack against a real source of gun proliferation," Halimun said.

Watanabe agreed with Fukukawa and Halimun in that gun-control would not be the only solution to prevent tragic incidents like Hattori's. She said foreign students should think about their own attitude toward American society.

"We international students must be aware that there is a different reality in another country," Watanabe said. "That's a grave mistake to think 'this' is never going to happen to me because it has actually never happened to me in my country."

Watanabe also said it was necessary to raise awareness about gun-control among people in general.

"I like America because people always have voluntary spirits," she said. "I hope people, not just coercion of the government, can make a difference. This time it's great because Americans and Japanese are working together working together for one goal (referring to the recent memorial events in the U.S.)."

"I know that there is freedom in the United States," Watanabe said. "And that freedom includes responsibility."

BOOKSTORE

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list price.

Responding to the claim that Smith's sells its books for less, Standish said, "Differences go further than price."

As a non-profit organization, the University Bookstore provides for the materials that the University staff and faculty request.

"If the instructors want it, we try to get it," Standish said.

Standish said the University Bookstore will provide copies of course books free of charge if none are available.

Standish said the University Bookstore operates philosophically like a cooperative in the way it serves the University. The money made on the sale of "non-necessary items" such as sweat-shirts and gift items enables the bookstore to keep (profit) margins as low as possible on books and educationally related items, he said.

Standish said good service is important to students. In addition to his department's four full-time and two part-time employees, the bookstore trains and hires 40 to 50 students to be cashiers during a "rush" (the weeks before and after classes begin) to process students quickly. The bookstore also buys books on campus during buy-back, he said.

As a for-profit corporation, Smith's pays taxes on income and property.

Jim Williams, manager of the University Bookstore, said the University store pays property tax and income tax on its sales to non-members.

Williams said comparing the University Bookstore to Smith's is difficult and in some ways unfair — they are both so different.

"A better comparison would be between the UO Bookstore and another university bookstore," said Williams, adding that in that comparison, the University Bookstore does very well.

Holly Bullock did not find that comparison consoling. She still has her \$60 book.



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Workshop deals with women's conditions

By Marius Meland
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A statewide workshop dealing with women's conditions around the world will take place at the University Sunday.

The participants will discuss issues such as education, health, employment, political participation and the environment.

Although women's conditions have improved, there is still a great deal of inequality between the sexes throughout the world. Illiteracy rates for women are still much higher for young women than for men, and job segregation and wage discrimination persist almost everywhere, according to a report issued by the United Nations.

These are just some of the issues that will be addressed in the workshop, which is offered free of charge.

"This is one of many workshops that are taking place on campuses across the nation to prepare for the fourth World Conference for Women in Beijing, China, in 1995," Anita Weiss

said. Weiss, an associate professor with the international studies department, is in charge of the workshop.

"We're really excited about this workshop," Weiss said. "More than 100 persons have already preregistered. We've made sure that the participants will represent a wide specter of backgrounds. Many of them come from universities across the state, but we'll also host people from community groups that have been working with specific issues."

In addition to advertising in the *Oregonian* and the *Register-Guard*, the committee has put up posters in bookstores, women's health clinics and other community buildings.

Weiss also emphasized that men have been invited to register for the workshop.

"It's important for men to be aware that women's empowerment means everybody's empowerment," she said.

After a plenary session with

three guest speakers, the participants will divide themselves into six groups that will discuss specific issues related to women's conditions around the world. In the afternoon the plenary session will reassemble, and each group will present its suggestions.

"The participants are free to choose their own group, based on their area of interest," Weiss said. "Many people have already signed up for specific groups, but they're free to switch to another group if they change their minds. I want to emphasize that you don't have to be an expert on the field that you sign up for. The workshops will meet in an informal setting, and there will be an open discussion that everybody can participate in."

The guest speakers at the workshop include Irene Tinker, director of women's studies at the University of California, Berkeley; Susan Tiano, director of women's studies at the University of New Mexico; and Kathleen Sadat, a Portland-based community activist.

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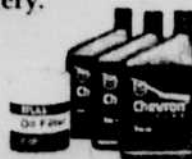
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