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Don't forget to register for winter term classes. As of tomorrow, registration will be open to all students.



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Student incidental fees could be increased next year

■ **INCREASE:** The current fees could go up by 4.7 percent if benchmark is met

By Amy Columbo
Student Activities Editor

If the Student Senate sticks to the 1996-97 budget benchmarks it set Monday night, every University student's mandatory incidental fee will be increased by

more than \$5 a term next year.

The Senate voted to increase the current \$123.50 incidental fee students pay per term to \$129.22; a 4.7 percent increase that allocates additional money to ASUO programs and the EMU.

Budget benchmarks are used only as a guideline for the Programs Finance Committee, EMU Board and Athletic Department. It's not mandatory for the Senate

to meet the benchmark it sets.

"These benchmarks mean nothing, they're goals. They set a tone for the year but they're not binding," said Zachary Kelton, ASUO vice president.

ASUO programs and the EMU Board were both granted a seven percent increase in their budgets for next year. According to the ASUO Constitution, if a benchmark of more than seven percent is set it has

to go to a vote of the student body.

With the increase, the Programs Finance Committee will have an extra \$114,859 dollars to allocate to student groups during 1996-97. "Every group is going to have to justify every increase, but I think with this increase it gives us a little bit of breathing room," said Senator Sean Martin.

"This committee is going to look seriously at budgets and look very

responsibly at budgets," said Susan Anderson, chairwoman of the Programs Finance Committee.

The EMU Board's benchmark increase goes largely to pay for state mandated costs like increases in employee salaries. Senator Jessica Frahs said that of the \$143,740 increase only three percent will go toward program growth.

The Athletic Department's benchmark did not increase.

Hornbuckle re-registers as communist

■ **COUNCIL:** Councilman's representation questioned after purchase of home outside specified ward

By Abe Estimada
Community Reporter

Eugene City Councilman Kevin Hornbuckle re-registered to vote Friday, changing his party affiliation from Democrat to the Communist party and giving a new address in Ward 3.



HORNBUCKLE

But Hornbuckle said his voter registration change isn't a sudden party switch since he has been a member of the Communist party since 1987 when President George Bush came into office.

"I would love people to know that I am a member of the Communist party because I feel it is the strongest political party in the U.S. and because it stands for economic justice," he said. "The city council by law are not party affiliated."

Hornbuckle has been the representative for Ward 3, which represents the University and the downtown area, for three years.

Recent questions have arisen about Hornbuckle's representation of Ward 3 after his wife, Tracye

Happy birthday, Jimi



"Jimi" Jeff Robbins and Power Train play a Birthday Tribute Concert to Jimi Hendrix at the Beale Concert Hall Monday night. Robbins was inspired by Hendrix's music as a child and lived with the Hendrix family in Seattle before he moved to Eugene. Robbins and Power Train donated all proceeds to the NAACP and the Black Student Union.

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Internships prove to be a valuable opportunity for students

■ **EMPLOYMENT:** Good grades and a college degree alone don't guarantee a job

By Simon Ross
Freelance Reporter

Buried between layers of aging "For sale" signs, travel vouchers and credit card offers on college bulletin boards are nuggets of gold for the career savvy student. Competing for the attention of the best and the brightest, companies of all shapes and sizes are selling students opportunities. Many stu-

dents are well aware that four years of academia alone isn't enough to prepare them for the demand of future employers and are paying close attention to these solicitations, packaged as internships.

Those who have served as interns describe their experience with clichés ranging from "slave labor" to "the best bang for their college buck." The typical internship includes little or no monetary compensation, an average of four to twelve hours a week in a professional setting and a term paper describing the experience, according to the *National Busi-*

ness Employment Weekly. In return for their efforts, students usually receive college credit and work experience in a professional atmosphere.

Many employers consider good grades and a related major important criteria for college graduate applicants, yet not enough to get them through the employment door.

"Give me a history major who has done internships and a business major who hasn't, and I'll hire the history major every time," said William Ardrey, senior vice president of Fiducary Corp.

Rising tuition costs and decreasing financial aid opportunities often make internships an unrealistic choice for those who have to work while attending college. Dari Mart employee and full time University student Susan Woolridge said, "I can barely afford to pay the rent, eat once a day and come up with tuition expenses every term."

If they can afford to hire themselves out for free, students will benefit at graduation time. Eugene publisher Stephen Mallery said recent college graduates are often frustrated when asked what job skills they have.

"I want to hear about experience and tangible skills, not degrees," Mallery said. "One of the best ways students can gain professional experience is through internships."

Experience is not the only benefit interns receive. Students often discover where their interests lie and if they are headed in the right direction. "After interning for an attorney during the summer, I realized the last thing I wanted to do was work in the legal profession," University graduate Michael Platt said.

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