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Model internship program created

■ **EDUCATION:** Global Graduates will cut a pattern for future international programs

By Jean M. Bond
Higher Education Reporter

The federal government has given Oregon a four year, \$4 million grant to create Global Graduates, an international internship program that will be a national model for future internship programs.

The program is meant to be a national pilot program, and if successful, may be duplicated in other states, said Kathy Poole, Overseas Program coordinator at the Office of International Education and Exchange.

Program coordinators began taking applications this term from undergraduates and master's candidates for internships that could begin as early as this summer, Poole said.

The application deadline for summer internships is April 15, but because the program is so new, summer applications will still be accepted after the deadline, she said.

"There has been an interest for many years in students having more international internship opportunities," said Jack Van de Water, Oregon State System of Higher Education's assistant vice chancellor for international education. "One of the biggest problems has been funding."

The Global Graduates grant comes from the Defense Conversion Act, enacted to help U.S. companies change from defense production to non-defense related industries, Van de Water said.

The available internships are posted on the Global Graduates World Wide Web page at http://www.orst.edu/dept/int_ed/global_grads, Poole said.

Internships include social service and conservation internships in Costa Rica, business and banking internships in Germany and forestry internships in Russia. About 15 internships are available, but Poole said she expects that number to grow every day.

No internships are available in Asia yet because the cultural context of business is different there, Poole said.

"You can't just drop out of the

sky and say, 'Hey, can we set this up?' You have to establish relationships," she said. Asian internships should be available in the near future.

The internship application is also an application for Global Graduate scholarships and loans to help students fund their internships.

The scholarship and loan amounts will vary, depending on the type and location of the internship and student need, but an average award will probably be about \$4,000, Van de Water said.

Students who already have arranged or identified an international internship can also apply to Global Graduates for internship funding, Poole said.

Because the program is federally funded, financial assistance will only be available to United States citizens, although either United States or international students will be considered for internship positions, Poole said.

Students must be enrolled in an OSSHE institution during their internship and will earn from one to 12 credits.

Senate says 'Don't mess with b-ball seats'

■ **ASUO:** Athletic Dept. Finance Committee budget rejected by Senate

By Ashley Bach
Student Activities Reporter

Five hundred and sixty student tickets to men's basketball games were at stake when the ASUO Student Senate met Wednesday night in the EMU Cedar Room.

When the ASUO Athletic Department Finance Committee presented its 1996-97 budget to the Senate at the meeting, part of its zero percent increase request stipulated the loss of many lower-level student seats at McArthur Court.

Senators Nani Sarosa and Jennifer Lisenbee, who worked with the Athletic Department to negotiate the details of the budget, said the ADFC was binded to a fixed amount (\$1,009,982) and the loss of student seats was unavoidable.

"We can't afford to have these seats," Lisenbee said. "The money has to come from somewhere."

According to Athletic Department documents, an average of only 1,600 students used the 3,600 tickets available to them each game this year. Lisenbee and Sarosa said these and other more comprehensive numbers showed the decrease in student tickets was manageable.

"We had the best deal going and it's unfortunate

students didn't take advantage of it," Lisenbee said.

The rest of the Senate disagreed and voted down the budget unanimously. Many senators were uncomfortable with the drastic loss in lower-level seats, which include the courtside sections CC, OO and LL. Many student seats would be moved to the third balcony.

"[The ADFC] is asking us to give away the best seats," Sen. Susan Anderson said. "I can't see students wanting to sit in the third balcony."

Sen. Andrew Parmentier said having students on the floor at games is important to both the players and students.

"We can't shortchange students," he said. "For a lot of students, athletic events are a big part of the college experience."

Sandy Walton, senior associate athletic director, said as a result of rising costs, the loss and movement of seats was the only option in order to keep the agreement with the ASUO.

"I understand your anger and I don't blame you a bit for it, but with hard economic reality, it's all we can do about it," she said.

Lisenbee and Sarosa will meet with Walton to find a new agreement to present to the Senate in a special meeting on Tuesday night that is intended to resolve the issue.

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