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percent process (what happens while students are at school, types of courses, etc.), 26 percent output, 30 percent outcome and 9 percent a combination of the four.

"Some of the indicators are defined by standards already existing nationally — including how many research dollars the institution gets," Goldschmidt said. But others, such as the "employer satisfaction with the quality of graduates" indicator, are new and recently devised.

"Last year was the first year we collected information system-wide on students one year after they graduated," Goldschmidt said. "There is some indication they're making a good transition."

The only change to the proposal was requested by Chancellor Joe Cox, who asked that the establishment of the "employability" indicator be made a higher priority. It will measure the success of Oregon higher education graduates in

the work force and the satisfaction of their employers.

The stated use of the indicators is to compare progress over time of an institution against itself, a composite performance for OS-SHE institutions as well as comparisons between institutions with similar goals. No one is clear on how the new information will be used once it is gathered.

"It's really hard to measure which way it will go," said Ed Dennis, executive director of the Oregon Student Association. There are always some individuals trying to push their own agendas, and this could become a tool for partisanship, he said.

Goldschmidt said the progress indicators can implicate policy decisions for programs that don't measure up under the new standards.

"What if you find out graduates from a certain program aren't finding jobs?" she said. "Then it becomes a tool to help inform poli-

cy-makers and decision-makers." But the "employability" aspect of the indicators could allow businesses to tailor education, Dennis said.

"The whole country is embroiled in this debate about the value of liberal arts education," Dennis said. In particular, businesses express frustrations over the liberal arts and argue for streamlining education to suit their goals, he said.

"We don't need to be afraid, but some people will use these tools to make that case," Dennis said. "But we'll also be able to use the progress indicators to get what we want. It's up to us if we use them."

The sports action lottery distribution was reordered at the OSSHE meeting. The initial distribution of the lottery was based on expected revenues of about \$9 million, but revenues fell far short at \$2.5 million. The new distribution decreased the University's cut from 33.5 percent of the total to 31.15 percent.

NEWS BRIEFS

Computing center blocks junk e-mail

The University will begin blocking spam today.

Spam — junk e-mail that seems to come from the University — has been a growing concern for the computing center. The center will begin blocking that kind of e-mail today.

The University's e-mail system is simple, which allows junk e-mailers to route mail through it so the spam seems to come from the University. The University then receives any replies or complaints instead of the original sender.

The block will affect students who connect to the University's e-mail system through an external Internet provider such as America Online.

It won't affect anyone who uses Telnet or Pine to read e-mail or who connects through a local service provider. Most Internet providers already have similar blocks, and the computing center doesn't expect the change to be noticeable for the majority of students.

Call Academic User Services at 346-1758 or Microcomputer Services at 346-4412 for more information.

Groups will discuss logging proposals

Sybil Ackerman of The National Wildlife Federation and Glen Spain of The Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations will speak about the current proposals to increase logging on public forest land today at 7 p.m. in the EMU Fir Room.

For more information, contact Sybil Ackerman at (503) 230-0421 or Brittany Mayfield at the Survival Center in Suite 1 of the EMU at 346-4356.

Fraternity's ball run helps cancer society

Kappa Sigma fraternity members ran the Civil War game ball 55 miles before a single down at Saturday's game.

Fraternity members from the University and Oregon State ran the ball from Parker Stadium in Corvallis to Autzen Stadium and arrived just minutes before kick off.

Beavers' head coach Mike Ri-

ley handed the ball off to the Oregon State chapter early Saturday. They ran the ball half way down Route 99 then handed it off to University chapter members.

The Game Ball Run is Kappa Sigma's annual philanthropy, benefiting the American Cancer Society. The event raised more than \$9,000 last year.

Prison camp survivor to discuss experience

Harry Wu, a research fellow of the Hoover Institution at Stanford University who was jailed for criticizing the Chinese Communist party, will speak at the University on Tuesday night. Wu's speech, titled "Laogai: the Chinese Gulag," will describe conditions inside Chinese prison camps.

Wu spent 19 years in a dozen different forced labor camps, including Laogai after government officials charged him with being a "counter revolutionary rightist." In his book "Troublemaker," Wu relates the experiences of prisoners in China. The speech will begin at 7 p.m. in 150 Columbia.

Contemporary Issues in College Health

Winter Term 1998

Location: 152 Education

Day: MWF

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Credits: 4

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This course is designed to provide an overview of the health-related issues that impact college students' lives — sex, exercise, nutrition, stress management, drugs and alcohol.

The course will provide students with the knowledge and opportunity to integrate healthy lifestyle practices into their lives.

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For more information, see page 73 in the winter UO Schedule of Classes.



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