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Liberals, RADICALS or just **ACTIVISTS** ?

■ A survey finds liberal views among college students, but some believe 'liberal' and 'conservative' are outdated categories

By Danielle Gillespie
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Students at the University have long been aware of the school's "liberal" reputation.

Now, a national survey shows college freshmen hold more politically liberal views than they have at any time since the Vietnam War.

For many University residents who have witnessed the protests and student activism during the past 30 years, the news is unsurprising. But some think the survey and its labels sell short the political beliefs of students at the University and schools nationwide.

UCLA's Higher Education Research Institute, the Washington, D.C.-based American Council on Education and the University of California conducted "The American Freshman Survey," which asked 281,064 students at 421 four-year colleges and universities about their political beliefs.



In part thanks to protests such as those against ROTC on campus in 1970 (above) and supporting the Worker Rights Consortium 30 years later (left), some people say University students hold liberal views. A new survey maintains that the same is true of students nationwide.

The survey found that 57.9 percent of freshman think gay couples should have the legal right to marry, which is the highest number in two decades. Also, 32.2 percent said the death penalty should be abolished, and more than one-third surveyed said marijuana should be legalized, the highest number of proponents since 1980.

Nearly 30 percent of those surveyed in January identified their political affiliation as liberal or "far left," while about 20 percent of respondents considered themselves conservative or "far right." The majority of students surveyed said they were neither conservative or liberal

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Group holds second rally against sexual assault

■ Female students, including the 'radical cheerleaders,' are organizing today's march

By Kara Cogswell
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A group of female University students who organized the "No More Curfews On Campus" rally three weeks ago will hold a second rally and march against sexual assault today.

Graduate student Monica Matthews said the rally and march are being held in response to a number of sexual assault incidents, both reported and unreported, that have occurred on campus recently. The rally begins at noon in the EMU amphithe-

ater and will be followed by a march at 12:30 p.m. to the Walton residence hall complex, where two female students reported a man masturbating outside their windows about a week ago.

Police are still searching for the suspect, who is believed to be the same man seen masturbating in front of another female student's residence hall window January 31. Police arrested two men Feb. 23 in Spiller Hall after one entered a female student's room and made unwelcome sexual advances.

Matthews said rally organizers have heard of other, unreported incidents of sexual assault on campus recently that they are trying to verify.

Junior Lezlie Frye will speak at the rally, and a group of women known as the "radical cheerleaders" will perform.

The goal of the rally is to raise awareness about sexual violence on campus and to urge administrators to take steps toward improving campus safety, she said.

"The more people that show up ... the more the administration will pay attention to this and do more to increase the safety of women on campus," she said.

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Governor's veto plan will avoid higher ed

■ Governor Kitzhaber says he will line-item veto some of the cuts in the state's latest budget proposal

By Brook Reinhard
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Gov. John Kitzhaber announced Monday that he will line-item veto sections of the Oregon Legislature's latest budget proposal and present a revised solution that will go into effect March 12, eliminating the need to call the Legislature back for a third special session.

For now, at least. Despite having serious reservations with the legislation, the governor will only make changes to \$87.6 million of the budget. He plans to eliminate the need for \$67.5 million in national tobacco settlement funds and restore funding to 911 response budgets and dental care for Oregonians, but he has not yet given specifics as to where he'll find the money to balance the budget.



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Doctor says self-love can salvage love

■ Dr. Sol Gordon helps spell out the relationship basics for students

By Robin Weber
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Only in Hollywood can Prince Charming enter stage right, meet the girl, get the girl, and live happily ever after — all within two hours. In real-life relationships, it's much more complex, according to sex educator Dr. Sol Gordon.

Gordon addressed a full house in the EMU Ben Linder Room on Monday about the earmarks of both good and bad relationships, based on his book, "How Can You Tell If You're Really in Love?"

"Love is the greatest thing there is," he said. True love, however, can be hard to pinpoint, he said.

He said it often seems people are convinced they have found their one and only — for that week. Then reality sets in. "Most people marry the wrong

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