

Financial aid/draft rider overturned once more

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"The Solomon Amendment," a controversial new law banning all male students between the ages



Telecourse credit available through Vietnam series

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An in-depth look at the Vietnam War can earn students telecourse credit at Clackamas Community College, through a 13-part series entitled "Vietnam: A Television History."

The series began Oct. 4 and will continue through Dec. 20 on channel 10. The second segment of the series airs tonight from 9-10 p.m., and the following episodes will air every Tuesday at the same time.

Chairperson of Social Sciences Fred DeWolfe will instruct the Vietnam telecourse, a subject he considers necessary for students to be aware of.

"Vietnam is a subject of mixed interests, and if we (United States) want to avoid the mistakes of another Vietnam, we need to find out what those mistakes were," he said.

The telecourse will provide comprehensive coverage of the Vietnam War, from as early as 1945 to 1975, with emphasis placed on the period

of 18 and 23 who have not registered for the Selective Service from receiving any financial aid, will be officially enforced at all universities and colleges, nationwide, beginning Oct. 1.

This piece of legislation is the brainchild of Republican New York Rep. Gerald Solomon, who, in a U.S. News interview, June 6, 1983, insists that even though 96 percent of all requested men, have complied with the law, "it is important for the government to go after every last violator of the law and to

use all available means to do so."

For college students, the "means" Solomon refers to are the heavily relied on, federally-funded student aid programs.

In order for any male student to receive financial aid, he must at some point indicate that he has registered for the Selective Service. If the student has not yet registered or refuses to register for the draft, he must automatically be refused government aid until he does comply.

Though colleges and universities must administer the law to students, it is the last place where support for the Solomon Amendment is to be found. Financial aid counselors, such as Scott Fischer in the Clackamas Community College Financial Aid office, find the respon-

sibility imposed on them a job terribly misplaced.

They believe that it is a job for law enforcers—not college financial aid counselors. Fischer also questions why Congress decided to make financial aid applicants the only group subject to immediate punishment by lack of compliance with the law.

Students from lower income families who rely solely on government aid for their education have less freedom of choice when it comes to either complying with the Selective Service law or simply avoiding it. Students from higher income families may find alternative ways to get the financial assistance they need without having to comply with the law.

But this and other accusations made against the amendment, such as violation of due

process and equal protection under the law, self-incrimination, and discrimination on the basis of age, sex, income and race seem to some constitutional law experts to be too fragile an argument to stand the legal test if the issue reaches the Supreme Court.

At the moment Congress is waiting for the Supreme Court to reconvene in October, hoping to get the law reviewed by the Justices and proved constitutional beyond any doubt.

Meanwhile, colleges, including Clackamas Community College, have already started requiring Selective Service registration as a necessary part of applying for student aid, but only because at this point the requirement appears to be a legal inevitability.

from 1965 to 1973, a time of heavy U.S. involvement. It is set against the background of the French colonial period in Indochina.

Although parts of the series are not new to the College, DeWolfe said this time the entire program will be shown for the telecourse. DeWolfe also said the parts of the series he has seen were "fairly objective and complete."

"All the participants (in the war) are involved, all the good and bad guys," he said.

The program was produced by PBS's Boston affiliate WGBH, and Britain's Central Independent Television and France's Antenne 2 were also involved in series production.

As for the telecourse, DeWolfe suggests students "should ask themselves very serious questions: why we were involved, and to what extent we failed or succeeded. If they (students) ask questions about this one (Vietnam), maybe they'll ask questions before going into another situation," he said.

No smoking law affects College

By Heather Wright
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Effective this summer, smoking is prohibited at Clackamas Community College, except in designated areas.

The Legislature passed the Oregon Clean Air Act in 1981. The law was designed to protect public health and the environment by prohibiting smoking in public places.

Here at the College there are certain places where people can smoke. These areas are the student lunchroom, and in some buildings where ashtrays are provided.

There was a meeting, Tuesday, Oct. 4, which was decided where the no smoking signs will be posted on campus. Those signs will then be purchased and posted accordingly.



OREGON INDOOR CLEAN Air Act was enacted this summer. Smoking will only be permitted in designated areas throughout the College.

Out of approximately 12 student smokers interviewed by The Print, 10 agreed that the Oregon Clean Air Act is beneficial, because smoking offends non-smokers. The other two students who disagreed thought that they

should be able to smoke anywhere they wanted.

Although some public places do not have no smoking signs posted yet, eventually they all will include designated areas for smokers.

College Take Charge Day commences Oct. 22

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Take Charge, a day-long event, will be held Oct. 22 at Clackamas Community College. Take Charge Day is a program for students and the public, those interested in planning for their futures, the underemployed, people changing careers, and those wanting to learn about careers in small businesses.

The program was started last spring and began with the concept of getting people involved in creating opportunities for themselves. "One of the realities of the Oregon situation is that there is no quick fix for our economic problems," Marv Thornley of the Career Development and Placement Center said. "The idea of this program isn't to

hand out jobs, but to make people aware of their resources, to make them plan for the future."

A variety of 40-50 careers will be offered at the career market, which will be held at the beginning of the Take Charge Day. Individuals will be able to talk one-on-one with career professionals, such as those in the health care and banking field.

There also will be several workshops offered, some of which are: Handling Stress, Personal Budget, Computer Career, and Self Assessment. Also, practical help for the present is offered with seminars on intensive gardening, and eating well on less. There will be facts on resume writing and employers responding on the issue of interviews.

All of the individuals involved in the career market and the workshops are people volunteering their time.

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Take Charge is offered to anyone interested and is valuable even to the already employed who want to sharpen their knowledge. There is no fee for the one-day program, and a lunch will be included for free.

Those interested should call the college at 657-8400 ext. 501 and reserve a place at the

meeting. A packet on the seminars will be provided for everyone who attends.



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