

Applicants sought for police exams

Robert Scotton from the Portland Police Bureau was on campus Thursday, May 26, to recruit applicants for the police exam to be held July 25 to 29.

"We are interested in qualified females and minorities, but there will be no preference held over anyone else," said Scotton.

The testing being done will be written and oral and 60 per cent will be used on the written exam.

There is also a physical examination. Applicants must be in good health and not overweight.

One of the tests held last year included a 40-foot run up an inclined plane, then down

22 steps, back to the starting point to pick up an 18-pound oxygen tank to carry back up the inclined plane and the stairs, all in 36 seconds.

There have been minimum standards in the past but they have been changed to allow for female candidates, said Scotton.

"The standards are still considerable and there is an 18-month probationary period," said Scotton. "We are not here" because of a shortage of good candidates, but because we are looking for good applicants."

Applications can be picked up from July 1 to 15 at the Portland Civil Service Office, 510 S.W. Montgomery Street.

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