

New classes offered Fall term

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Several new classes will be available this Fall at Clackamas.

Learn the geography of the world with the help of several new classes.

Instructor Masoud Kheirabadi will be teaching a new cluster of courses on geographical knowledge of the world and its people.

According to Kheirabadi, "Students will learn that each region has a distinct character, but that global processes bind all regions together into an interdependent web."

"Students will also become

familiar with major contemporary global issues and international conflicts such as problems of world food supply, global environmental problems, population growth and global resources, as well as cultural differences."

The cluster of new courses includes GEOG120-World Geography: Introduction, GEOG121-People and Places: Developing World, and GEOG122-People and Places: Developing World. Also, GEOG280-Geography Work Experience will be available.

In Computer Technologies, there will be two new programs:

Computer Applications Specialist, and Network Operations/Microcomputer Specialist. Both programs offer a one year certificate or a two year Associate of Applied Science Degree (pending state approval).

Both programs have been designed to teach technology, software and computer related skills.

Students entering this program need to register for CS120-Survey of Computing, WR101-Communications Skills, CS225-Computer Support, SP100-Speech and either BA101-Intro to Business or MFG130-Basic Electricity.

Drinking and driving #1 killer of teenagers in America

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According to statistics from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, about two out of every five Americans will be involved in an alcohol-related crash during their lifetime.

Earlier this month, a 21-year-old Clackamas Community College student was killed in an alcohol-related traffic accident. The one-vehicle wreck on S.W. Stafford Road also claimed the life of another passenger. The underaged driver, whose blood alcohol level is still being determined, survived.

This accident is a grim reminder of what could happen when someone chooses to drink and drive, and perhaps even worse is to make the wrong choice and ride with someone who has been drinking.

Traffic fatalities occurring in 1993 totaled 40,115. Of these deaths, an estimated 17,461 persons were killed in crashes where alcohol was present. These deaths represent 43.5 percent of the total fatalities, averaging one injury every 33 seconds.

The Transportation Safety Section of the Department of Transportation (TSSDT) lists drinking and driving as the number one killer of teenagers in America. Drivers between the

ages of 15-20 make up 24 percent of the traffic fatalities where blood alcohol content (BAC) was .10 or higher.

"Fatal accidents, occurring in the 15-19 age bracket, in Clackamas County alone averaged 16.97 percent between 1991 and 1993,"



said Youth Program Manager Walt McCallister of the TSSDT. That means 484 of the 2,854 licensed drivers between the ages of 15-19 in this county died in a traffic accident.

According to McCallister, the odds are pretty good that an underage driver will get caught if they drink and drive.

Although alcohol plays a major factor in traffic deaths for teenagers, the biggest bulk of accidents for this age group occurs during the hours of noon and 6 p.m. when young drivers are just cruising around.

During graduation time, the

death toll seems to climb for young drivers. In a study done by TSSDT, the month of July is actually when fatalities peak.

"People probably notice it more around graduation time because it gets more media coverage during June," said McCallister.

Traffic investigators list the following as the top reasons for driver fatalities: alcohol, speeding and failure to maintain lane position.

MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Drivers) has played a leading role in helping to enact anti-drunk driving laws nationwide. Several states, including Oregon, have lowered the legal blood alcohol content limit down to .08 percent for adults and a "zero tolerance" for those under 21.

Zero tolerance means you will automatically lose your license for at least 90 days if your BAC is more than .00. Failure to submit to a breath test means you'll lose your license for at least one year.

These penalties pale in comparison when you think of the many lives lost each day on our highways at the hands of a drunk driver.

According to the Oregon Traffic Safety Commission, "If you drink and drive, the least you'll lose is your license. Guaranteed."

EIFS may be cause of moisture build up in walls

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Pearson, who has been reading and researching EIFS diligently, spoke with Glen Davis, an engineer in Wilmington, North Carolina, last Friday.

"Out of 200 homes inspected in the last year, 97% have had serious failure," Pearson said.

In an article published in The Oregonian on February 4, 1996 a warning in response to the North Carolina incident was issued by the Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland (HBAMP). It was expressed that the source of the problem may not be the materials but the installation.

"The problem has been found in various parts of the country, including locally," said Mike Bercutt, owner of Opus Homes and a member of the

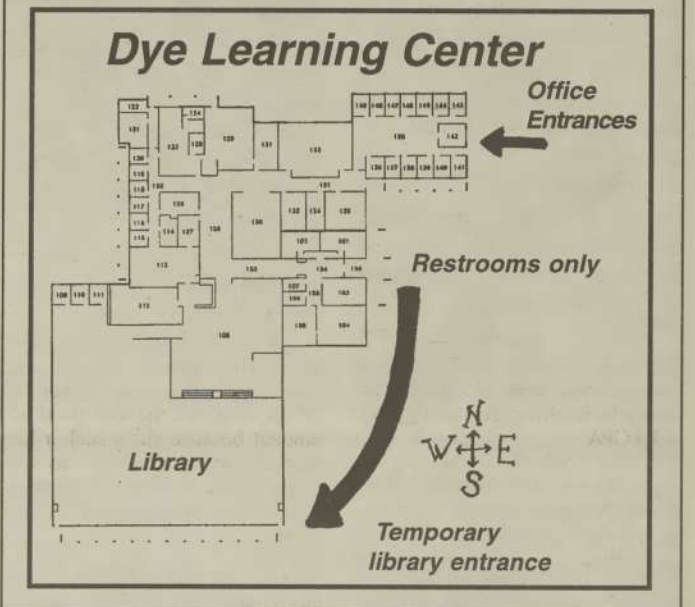
HBAMP. "It doesn't mean that stucco is bad. It's a workmanship issue."

Built in 1992, Dye Learning Center is not the only building built with EIFS.

Streeter Hall, housing the Math, Computer Science and English Departments, was built in 1991 using EIFS. The Gregory Forum, on campus, and the Oregon Advanced Technology Center (OATC) in Wilsonville were also built in 1992. The Forum was built under the same general contractor and same installer as the Dye Center.

Pearson said they are trying to work with Horizon Engineering to get a moisture reading on the walls to estimate the extent of the damage.

"There's not a lot of information as to what others have done," said Pearson. "I know we're not the first."



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