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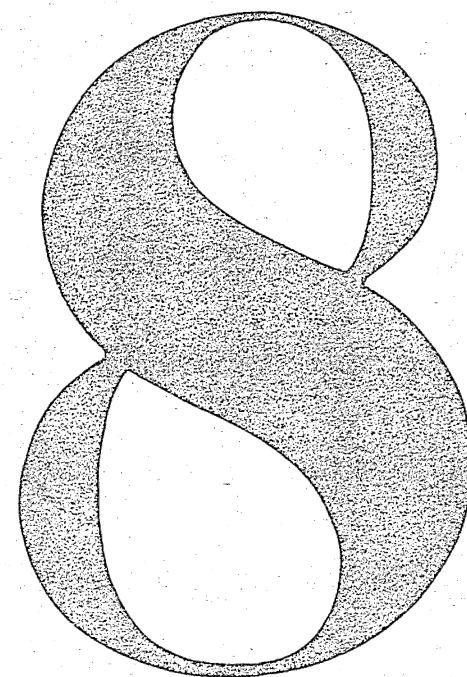
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# the university

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## Special Notice

The deadline for Notre Dame Report #9 has been changed from Jan. 10 to Jan. 3.

## Grant Supports Degrees for Minorities

Notre Dame has received a \$450,000 grant from the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation to support the National Consortium for Graduate Degrees for Minorities in Engineering, Inc.

The consortium's goal is to increase by 100 the annual number of minority students receiving a master's degree in engineering. It offers financial support and practical laboratory experience to minority students--Black Americans, Mexican Americans, Puerto Ricans and American Indians. Each graduate who participates in the program receives a \$3,000 fellowship as well as tuition for the year and spends the summer working at a research laboratory.

The consortium is a collaborative effort of 19 engineering colleges and nine industrial and governmental members. Prof. Joseph C. Hogan, dean of the College of Engineering, is chairman of the board of directors.

## Memorial Library Hours Spring Semester

Schedule when classes are in session (Tuesday, Jan. 18 - Friday, March 11; Sunday, March 20 - Wednesday, April 6; Monday, April 11 - Sunday, May 8).

Monday - Saturday	8 a.m. - 11:45 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. - 11:45 p.m.

Schedule during final examinations period (Monday, May 9 - Tuesday, May 17).

Monday - Saturday	8 a.m. - 12:45 a.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. - 12:45 a.m.

Schedule during holiday and vacation periods (Saturday, March 12 - Saturday, March 19; Thursday, April 7 - Sunday, April 10; Wednesday, May 18 - Sunday, June 19).

1st and 2nd Floors

Monday - Saturday	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday	Closed

4th through 13th Floors (Tower)

Monday - Saturday	8 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Memorial Library Building will be closed:

April 8 (Good Friday)

April 10 (Easter Sunday)

May 30 (Memorial Day)

# faculty notes

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## Honors

Donald P. Costello, professor of English, has been named a consultant-panelist on the Literature Panel which reviews proposals sent to the Division of Research Grants of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Vincent P. DeSantis, professor of history, has been elected to the Nominating Committee of the Southern Historical Association.

Norlin G. Rueschhoff, associate professor of accountancy, has been appointed to the Committee of International Accountancy Courses for the American Accounting Association, International Section.

## Activities

William E. Biles, associate professor of aerospace and mechanical engineering, was a panelist at a session titled "Performance Gap Between Theory and Practice in Operations Research as Related to Productivity," at the 1976 AIIE Systems Conference in Boston, Massachusetts, Dec. 1-3.

Byung T. Cho, associate professor of management, presented a paper on "Formulation of a Progress Model for Residential Home Construction" at the Joint National Meeting of the Operations Research Society of America and The Institute of Management Science in Miami, Florida, Nov. 3-5.

Animesh Ghoshal and Thomas Patrick, assistant professors of finance, conducted a seminar on "The International Implications of the Green Revolution" at the Center for the Study of Man Colloquium, Center for the Study of Man, Notre Dame, on Dec. 1.

Bernard J. Kilbride, chairman and professor of finance, delivered a paper on "The Outlook for the Economy in 1977" at the Michiana Credit Management Association, Elkhart, Indiana, Nov. 11.

Rev. Anthony J. Lauck, C.S.C., professor emeritus of art, displayed 30 sculptures and drawings at New York's Bodley Gallery, Dec. 4-22.

Thomas J. Mueller, professor and John R. Lloyd, associate professor of aerospace and mechanical engineering, attended the 97th Winter Annual Meeting of the American Society of Mechanical Engineering in New York, Dec. 5-9, and presented a co-authored paper entitled "Shear Induced Variations in Red Blood Cell Morphology." Prof. John Lloyd also chaired a technical session.

Morris Pollard, chairman of the Department of Microbiology, participated in the workshop "International Workshop on Cancer Invasion and Metastasis: Biologic Mechanisms and Therapy" at Rockefeller University in New York, Nov. 28-Dec. 1.

Brother Leo V. Ryan, C.S.V., dean of the College of Business Administration, presented the address "Growing Up Adult in America's Third Century" at the opening session of the Adult Education Association, National Association of Public Adult and Continuing Education Association and the Religious Education Association of the United States and Canada in New York on Nov. 21. He also served as moderator for the opening panel at the Religious Education Association on Nov. 21. The panel used as its basis three research papers prepared by Brother Ryan, one each on the Role of Roman Catholic, Protestant Churches, and Synagogues in the American Adult Education Movement.

Thomas J. Schlereth, assistant professor of American studies, was a featured panelist on a National Endowment for the Humanities television series "The New Architecture--Building for People" produced in Columbus, Indiana, Dec. 6. He was also a featured speaker in a series of Bicentennial Year lectures sponsored by the Chicago Historical Society on Dec. 8. He discussed "A Robin's Egg Renaissance: Chicago Culture, 1893-1933."

William P. Sexton, associate professor of management, presented a paper entitled "The Dynamics of Inter-unit Conflict in the Hospital" at the Second Annual Administration of Patient Care Seminar sponsored by the Catholic Hospital Association in St. Louis on Dec. 7.

Herbert E. Sim, chairman of the Department of Finance, addressed a meeting of the Plymouth Industrial Association on the subject of "The Economic Outlook for the Nation and the Michiana Region" in Plymouth, Indiana, on Dec. 8.

J. Kerry Thomas, professor of chemistry, presented a talk at Argonne National Laboratories entitled "Effect of Phase on Photo-ionization", two talks at the University of Northern Illinois, Dekalb, Illinois, entitled "Laser Photolysis" and "Ionic Reactions in Micelles" and a talk at the University of Wisconsin entitled "Ionic and Other Reactions in Membranes and Micelles" the week of Dec. 6. The presentations at the University of Northern Illinois were part of a series called "The Faraday Lectures".

John A. Weber, associate professor of marketing, delivered a paper entitled "International Market Structure Profile Analysis: Corporate Applications" at the 1976 Meeting of the Academy of International Business in New York on Nov. 14.

K.T. Yang, chairman of the Department of Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering, chaired a session on Electric Effects on Heat Transfer at the 97th Annual Winter Meeting of the American Society of Mechanical Engineering held in New York City, Dec. 5-9.

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## Notes for Principal Investigators

### National Science Foundation Undergraduate Teaching Faculty

Opportunities are available for faculty members of smaller institutions to remain active in original and basic research by participating in research supported by NSF at large active departments of a nearby university. Interested individuals should make their own arrangements locally with principal investigators holding or applying for NSF grants. Plans for summer 1977 should inform their NSF contact and request changes in project budget allocation, if necessary, or request supplemental funds, if required. For further information, contact Leonard F. Gardner, NSF, 1800 G. St., N.W., Wash., D.C. 20550 (632-4278).

## Information Circulars

### National Safety Council Howard Pyle Safety Research Fellowship

No. FY77-46

#### Type:

Fellowship for advanced study leading to a doctorate in a safety-related discipline with an emphasis on research.

#### Purpose:

To provide financial support to promising graduate students who have shown an interest in a career of safety research. The long range purpose is the production of a cadre of well-trained safety researchers who will provide leadership in the development and implementation of practical approaches to solving the accident problem.

#### Eligibility:

Persons with at least one year of graduate study (or its experience equivalent and ability to matriculate) who have an interest in safety research and who can be expected to achieve the doctorate degree.

#### Financial Data:

The Fellowship includes tuition and fees (up to \$4,000.00), a stipend of \$2,500.00, and a total allowance of \$450.00 for dependent children.

#### Duration:

Fellowships are awarded for a single academic year. However, the Fellowship will be renewed annually (up to three years) upon receipt of written evidence of progress satisfactory to both the university and the National Safety Council.

#### Proposals:

Proposals should include as a minimum appropriate information on the following:

1. Graduate curriculum offerings in safety research.
2. Teaching staff.
3. Research staff and facilities.
4. Names of nominee for the Fellowship shall be submitted by the university, and data to be submitted should include education and personal vita, including a statement of eligibility as defined above. When the university and individual application have been approved by the National Safety Council, the stipend shall be given to the university which shall administer it and report progress to the National Safety Council annually, or at such other times as may be requested.
5. Other relevant information pertaining to the proposal.
6. A brief statement explaining why the institution is interested in applying for the Howard Pyle Fellowship.
7. All applications should be submitted in triplicate and be addressed to:

Mr. Vincent L. Tofany  
President  
National Safety Council  
444 North Michigan Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois 60611

#### Deadline:

Applications must reach the National Safety Council by February 15, 1977.

## Institute of International Education Travel Grants for Study Abroad for the Academic Year 1977-78

No. FY77-47

The Institute of International Education publicizes the competition and receives and screens the applications for grants for study, research, and professional training abroad under the Fulbright-Hays Program.

The Institute also conducts, simultaneously with the competition under the Fulbright-Hays Program, the competitions under various programs supported by foreign governments and universities.

Travel Grants provide round-trip transportation to the country where the student will pursue his studies for an academic year. It also includes health and accident insurance and the cost of an orientation course abroad, if applicable.

A student may apply for a Travel Grant if he or she is under consideration for a basic maintenance and tuition award from another agency. However, the basic award need not be confirmed at the time of the filing of the application.

Travel Grants to Germany and Norway may supplement maintenance awards which do not specifically provide international travel. Those maintenance awards may not exceed \$3,700 for single students and \$4,700 for those with accompanying adult dependents.

The opportunity to apply for full grants and teaching assistantships have not been closed. However, there is still time to apply for the Travel Grants available to Germany and Norway. The deadline for return of applications is February 1, 1977.

### Action The Agency for Volunteer Service

No. FY77-48

Several volunteer groups were brought together in 1971 when ACTION was formed and the seeds of a new kind of "interaction" were planted. Idealists and realists -- young and old alike -- are working side by side in many communities to help solve some of the pressing problems which face our nation and the world. Likewise, local volunteers serve in unison with ACTION's federally-recruited volunteers on many community projects.

VISTA, the Peace Corps, Foster Grandparent Program, the National Student Volunteer Program, and Retired Senior Volunteer Program -- have been joined by additional ACTION groups in recent years -- ACTION Cooperative Volunteers, Senior Companion Program, University Year for ACTION, and other programs. While each has some individual aspects based on its funding, legislative mandates, and guidelines, their effort are often interwoven.

For further information contact the Office of Advanced Studies, Extension 7378.

## Institute of Human Values in Medicine Guidelines for Fellowship

No. FY77-49

The focus of the Institute on Human Values in Medicine is the structure and content of professional education. The Institute seeks to deepen the relations of medicine and the humanities and thus enrich the contribution of these disciplines to each other and to society.

In order to provide training for faculty and others in interdisciplinary work in medicine and the humanities, the Institute has organized a Fellows program. The Fellows, selected in the Spring of each year, may request guidance concerning available programs and study opportunities; however, the final choice of a study location is made by the applicant.

The following information should be provided:

1. A brief autobiographical sketch that includes personal data, educational history and a review of professional experience, including teaching, research, and clinical work. Cite published and unpublished work in the area of human values.
2. A concise description of, and rationale for, the program of study to be undertaken. Specify the place of study, why selected, with whom the work will be done, and area of study.
3. A concise plan for applying the knowledge gained during the period of the Fellowship to the teaching which the applicant will return.
4. A letter of endorsement from the department chairman, dean or other appropriate person.
5. A projected budget.

Deadline:

February 15, 1977.

Applications are available in the Office of Advanced Studies.

# Monthly Summary

## Awards Received

IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1976

<u>Department or Office</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Short title</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Dollars Months</u>
AWARDS FOR RESEARCH				
Aeros. Mech. Engineering	Roberts	Improved models for axial compressors	Natl. Aero. Space Admin.	17,396 9
Biology	Crovello	Flora North feasibility study	Natl. Park Service	7,568 8
Aeros. Mech. Engineering	Yang, Lloyd	Fire and smoke spread	Dept. Commerce	74,892 12
Microbiology Lobund Lab.	Wostmann, Pleasants, Madsen	Characterization of nutrition- ally defined gnotobiote	Natl. Inst. Health	84,368 12
Electrical Engineering	Gajda	Electrical properties of ad- vanced composite materials	RADC-Syracuse	27,000 12
Electrical Engineering	Graupe	Develop and build an auditory unit	Veterans Admin.	10,000 7
Chemistry	Castellino	Blood coagulation protein-metal ion-lipid interactions	Natl. Inst. Health	65,609 12
Psychology	Ryan	Metalinguistic development and reading acquisition	Natl. Sci. Fdn.	25,600 12
Metallurgical Engineering	Fiore	Ultrasonic testing of austenitic stainless steel weldments	Welding Res. Council	2,000 12
AWARDS FOR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS				
College Engineering	Cohn	Introducing minority students to engineering	Comm. on Inst. Coop.	58,064 12
AWARDS FOR SERVICE PROGRAMS				
Center Human Devel.	Dwyer	Needs assessment program	-----	67,205 --

# Proposals Submitted

IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1976

Department or Office	Principal	Short title	Sponsor	Dollars Months
PROPOSALS FOR RESEARCH				
Electrical Engineering	Leake, Sain, Melsa	Alternatives for jet engine control	Natl. Aero. Space Admin.	34,737 12
Chemistry	Castellino	Structure-function studies on plasminogen and plasmin	Natl. Inst. Health	61,424 12
Aeros. Mech. Engineering	Mueller, Lloyd, MacDonell	Prosthetic heart valve thrombus formation	Natl. Sci. Fdn.	55,789 12
Economics	Skurski	Fulbright-Hays faculty research abroad	U.S. Off. Educ.	20,962 10
Electrical Engineering	Gajda	Low frequency electrical properties of composite materials	RADC-Syracuse Univ.	28,432 12
English	Sniegowski	Lilly Endowment Faculty Open Fellowship, 1977-78	Lilly Endow., Inc.	19,500 9
Sociology Anthropology	Weigert	Lilly Endowment Faculty Open Fellowship, 1977-78	Lilly Endow., Inc.	19,000 11
Theology	Hommes	Lilly Endowment Faculty Open Fellowship, 1977-78	Lilly Endow., Inc.	28,300 12
Civil Engineering	Long	Origin-destination matrices from link volumes	Wilbur Smith and Associates	49,885 20
Inst. Urban Studies	Broden, Swartz	The forgotten neighborhoods	South Bend Urban Observ.	22,138 7
Law School	Soderquist	Role of chief executive officer in a modern corporation	(corporations)	30,918 6
Civil Engineering	Sturm	Finite element model of currents in cooling lakes	Natl. Sci. Fdn.	21,027 16
Economics	Bonello	Personal earnings of persons of Spanish origin	U.S. Dept. Labor	14,981 12
Inst. Urban Studies	Broden, Scovill, Korczyk	Tax assessments in St. Joseph County	South Bend Urban Observ.	24,100 10
Chemistry	Martinez-Carrion	Molecular biophysics of synaptic receptors	Natl. Sci. Fdn.	224,086 36
PROPOSALS FOR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS				
Aero. Mech. Engineering	Lucey	Energy option in mechanical engineering	Natl. Sci. Fdn.	33,600 24
Biology	Weinstein	Experimental parasitology and vector biology	Natl. Inst. Health	80,517 12
Civil Engineering	Sturm	ERDA Traineeships in Civil Engineering	Energy Res. Devel. Admin.	21,000 12
Physics	Cushing, Jones	Physics in historical and philosophical perspective	Natl. Sci. Fdn.	27,200 15
Chemical Engineering	Varma, Carberry	Graduate traineeships in energy related fields	Natl. Sci. Fdn.	35,000 12
Electrical Engineering	Melsa	Restructuring of logic design course	Natl. Sci. Fdn.	37,480 18
Civil Eng., Elect. Eng.	Ketchum, Melsa	Design of operating computers for wastewater treatment	Natl. Sci. Fdn.	37,492 24
English	Vasta, Kline	Training of Soviet teachers of English	Internatl. Res. Exch. Board	100,511 2
Aeros. Mech. Engineering	Yang	NSF CAUSE program	Natl. Sci. Fdn.	284,472 36
Law School	Postlewaite	1977 Japan summer law program-institute	Japan Fdn.	28,500 2
Law School	Postlewaite	1977 Japan summer law program-education	Japan Fdn.	28,500 2



# Summary of Awards Received and Proposals Submitted

IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1976

## AWARDS RECEIVED

Category	Renewal		New		Total	
	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
Research	2	\$ 86,368	7	\$ 228,065	9	\$ 314,433
Facilities and Equipment	-	---	-	---	-	---
Educational Programs	1	58,064	-	---	1	58,064
Service Programs	-	---	6	---	6	---
Total	3	144,432	13	295,720	16	440,152

## PROPOSALS SUBMITTED

Category	Renewal		New		Total	
	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
Research	3	\$ 151,950	12	\$ 503,329	15	\$ 655,279
Facilities and Equipment	-	---	-	---	-	---
Educational Programs	1	80,517	10	633,755	11	714,272
Service Programs	-	---	-	---	-	---
Total	4	232,467	22	1,137,084	26	1,369,551

## Closing Dates for Selected Sponsored Programs

Proposals must be submitted to the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs ten days prior to the deadline dated listed below.

Agency	Programs	Closing Dates
American Council of Learned Societies	Grants for Study of East European Languages	February 1, 1977
American Institute of Architects	Arnold W. Brunner Scholarship	February 1, 1977
Menninger Foundation	Postdoctoral Fellowships in Clinical Psychology	February 1, 1977
National Science Foundation	Law Review Empirical Research Projects	February 1, 1977
National Science Foundation	Requests for Flight Support Using NCAR Aircraft	February 1, 1977
National Science Foundation	Undergraduate Instructional Scientific Equipment Program (ISEP) Proposals	February 4, 1977
Princeton University	Doherty Fellowships for Latin American Study	February 1, 1977
United Chapters of Phi Beta Kappa	Mary Isabel Sibley Fellowship	February 1, 1977

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## Faculty Senate Journal November 9, 1976

At 7:35 p.m. the chairman, Prof. James Danehy, called the meeting to order in Room 202 of the Center for Continuing Education and requested Prof. Robert Anthony to offer a prayer. The Journal for Oct. 7 was approved with several minor corrections.

Danehy noted the illness of the treasurer, Prof. Bobby Farrow, and then gave his chairman's report. He announced the resignation of Prof. James Cushing and introduced five new senators: Brother Frank Drury (Library), replacing Antonie Baker; Prof. Karl Kronstein (mathematics), replacing Cushing; Father James McGrath (biology), replacing Prof. Morton Fuchs; Prof. Raymond Schoen (freshman year), replacing Prof. John Huber; and Prof. Morris Wagner (biology), serving as ex officio member from the College of Science. Danehy also welcomed Capt. King Pfeiffer as observer from the ROTC.

A second item of business was a letter from Father James Burtchaell to Edmund Stephan, chairman of the Board of Trustees, on the subject of the AAUP-AAC Statement on Academic Freedom and Tenure. In the letter, Burtchaell had advised the board to "re-affirm the consonance which already exists between the statement and our own (Academic) Manual, without prejudice to those points where we have found it wise to differ." Noting that the discrepancies between the statement and the manual are relatively minor, Danehy reported that the senate's Executive Committee had concurred with Burtchaell's recommendation. He then invited the senators to read the letter and to discuss it, if they wished, at the December meeting.

Danehy also announced a meeting, on Nov. 11, of the Faculty Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees, the agenda of which included reports by himself as chairman of the senate and by Prof. James Robinson as chairman of the AAUP.

Speaking for the Committee on Administration, Robinson said that it had been studying the issue of mid-semester grades for freshmen, which Dean Emil Hofman had made mandatory. He compared this policy to the abolition of evening examinations, arguing that it further exemplified a lack of cooperation between administrators and faculty. Moreover, he added, it had created difficulties for those teaching courses which stress the development of skills. In an effort to obtain further information on this subject, his committee had sent Prof. John Connaughton to interview the dean. Hofman had stated that before requiring mid-semester grades, he had obtained the approval of both the Student Advisory Committee for the Freshman Year of Studies and the University Advisory Committee for the Freshman

Year of Studies; that he had raised the issue at a meeting of the Provost-Deans Committee, which had advised him that it was an administrative matter; that he had met with all but two of the department chairmen, and that only one person had objected to the policy; and finally, that he was aware of some teachers' dissatisfaction with the requirement and would accept simple "satisfactory" or "unsatisfactory" reports from those who believed letter grades to be inappropriate. Following this interview, said Robinson, Connaughton had recommended that those affected by the policy be informed of the dean's statements and that no further action be taken by the Committee on Administration. Robinson then called for comments by the senate.

Prof. Norman Haaser remarked that he favored the policy but could not recall its having been dealt with by the Freshman Year Committee, on which he had served. Another committee member, Prof. Emerson Funk, reported that Hofman had spoken of the issue but that there has been no debate or dissent. Prof. Phillip Sloan said that not all faculty knew they had the option of giving "S" or "U" grades, to which Prof. William Biles added that this practice merely duplicated that of issuing mid-semester deficiencies. Prof. Sonia Gernes inquired whether the grades might be mailed to the students but not to their parents, and Schoen responded that this could be done only if the faculty handbook were amended. Speaking as a parent of a freshman, Prof. John Lucey defended the policy, whereas Prof. James Dougherty argued that it was not a bad idea but that it ought to have been announced earlier in the semester. There was also some debate as to whether department chairmen had been properly informed of the new requirement: Anthony believed that they had; Dougherty, that they had not. Danehy, stating that this lack of communication was unfortunate, asked for further suggestions; and Prof. Sarah Daugherty proposed that the Executive Committee discuss the matter at its next meeting with the administration.

Prof. Irwin Press reported that the Committee on Faculty Affairs had been discussing possible changes in procedures relating to appointments and promotions. Among the suggestions being considered, he said, were that no candidate be nominated for promotion without being so informed, that a department chairman be required to submit his own written report to the dean together with a record of the meetings of the Committee on Appointments and Promotions (CAP), and that there be an ad hoc appeals procedure whenever the decision of a CAP is overruled, the members of the appeals committee to be chosen from the appropriate College Council. Press stated further that his committee had discussed the procedures for selecting department chairmen. Candidates should be nominated by the departmental faculty, he said; and although the administration might add to the list of nominees or request the department to recruit a chairman from outside the university, it should give reasons in the first case and list qualifications in the second. His committee had also favored the election of chairmen by a vote of the entire departmental faculty. Press then asked for suggestions, noting finally that his committee might also consider the measures which should be taken before a department could be abolished. Concerning the recommendation in favor of an appeals committee, Prof. Paul Conway cautioned that such a proposal ought to be well-written; otherwise, he said, it might again be rejected by the Academic Council.

The meeting was recessed at 8:12 p.m. and reconvened at 8:20 p.m.

Speaking for the Student Affairs Committee, Anthony presented the Preliminary Report on Grade Inflation at Notre Dame, written by Prof. Sheridan McCabe. In particular, he called attention to the introduction, which stated that grades have risen at universities throughout the nation; to the summary, which indicated that the problem has affected Notre Dame but that most faculty are relatively satisfied with the current system; and to Appendix II, which showed a rise in grades from 1965 to 1971 but a leveling off in the following years.

There were numerous comments and queries from the senate. Haaser asked whether departments reporting lower averages had a greater number of required service courses, to which Anthony replied that this would appear to be the case. In response to a comment from Dougherty, he suggested that standards for grading might be articulated by a responsible body, perhaps the Academic Council. There was also some discussion as to whether "B-" had been specified as the average grade on semester lists issued since 1974. Anthony and Conway both observed that the policy allowing students to drop courses late in the semester contributed to a rise in the average grade, and Prof. Arthur Quigley, agreeing, noted a sharp decline in the number of students receiving failing marks. Dougherty asked whether students' reports ought to include information on the average grade given in their college, to which Haaser replied that this figure is now recorded on their transcripts.

On behalf of the committee, Anthony moved that the preliminary report be accepted by the senate. Prof. Paul Kenney, observing that experienced faculty (as opposed to those recently appointed) had not only greater "willingness" but more "opportunity" to indicate that their average grades had risen, offered this as a friendly amendment. The motion was passed without dissent. Anthony then moved that the study, as corrected, be published in the Notre Dame Report as an addendum to the senate's minutes. Haaser urged the committee to abridge the report for publication, and Prof. Kenneth Goodpaster suggested that this be a friendly amendment. The motion was passed unanimously, as was a third motion commending McCabe and his committee.

Lucey asked whether the report ought to be referred to the Academic Council in the event that it be asked to specify an average grade, to which Danehy replied that the senate would have to pass a motion to this effect. Goodpaster then said that there was some sentiment among the committee members in favor of this idea, but that they wished to deliberate further before taking any action. Prof. Gary Long expressed concern that departments giving lower than average grades might emulate those issuing higher marks, and Sloan, joined by Quigley and Dougherty, asked for information on whether the quality of Notre Dame students had improved as the result of a more competitive selection process. Biles, Danehy, and Schoen agreed that the admission of women had increased the size of the applicant pool and had thus raised standards for admission, Schoen adding that students' scores on the Scholastic Aptitude Test might reflect their inexperience in taking exams rather than their true ability. Kenney noted that 40 per cent of the respondents to the questionnaire had been at Notre Dame for less than five years and hence had had little opportunity to observe changes in grading patterns.

There being no new business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Those absent but not excused: Reginald Bain, speech and drama; Rudolph Bottei, chemistry; Roberta Chesnut, theology; Brian Crumlish, architecture; Michael Francis, government and international studies; Richard Lamanna, sociology and anthropology; John Lyon, general program, Carole Moore, history; Julian Pleasants, microbiology; Barth Pollak, mathematics; Claude Pomerleau, government and international studies; Robert Rodes, law; Ronald Weber, American studies.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah B. Daugherty  
Secretary

## Letter from the President

Dear Faculty Members:

It has occurred to me many times over past years that we have been edging our way into the international field here at Notre Dame. This was due mainly to the efforts of Steve Kertesz and his colleagues, but there were collateral endeavors in many other areas of the University as the international dimension in all of our educational efforts became more and more necessary and apparent.

On the occasion of his retirement last year, I asked Steve Kertesz if he would confer with the many people on this campus interested in international affairs and international education in an effort to put together a report that would be enlightening to all of us who are concerned that this activity prosper and grow throughout the University. I now have at hand a rather voluminous but very important report from Steve which studies the question from every aspect of the University's activities. Because of the importance of this report, I would like to make it available to any of our faculty members who would find it interesting and instructive. If those of you who are interested in having a copy would drop a brief note to Father Burtchaell, he will see that an appropriate number of copies are reproduced for you.

May I also take this opportunity of thanking Steve Kertesz publicly for his wonderful leadership in this endeavor which has important continuing repercussions on all of our efforts here.

Ever devotedly in Notre Dame,

Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C.  
President

# Academic Calendar 1977-78

## Fall Semester 1977

Aug. 27-29	Sat thru Mon	Orientation and counseling for new students
Aug. 29	Monday	Registration for all students
Aug. 30	Tuesday	Classes begin at 8 a.m.
Sept. 7	Wednesday	Latest date for all class changes
Sept. 11	Sunday	Formal opening of the school year with Concelebrated Mass. (Subject to change)
Oct. 18	Tuesday	Midsemester Reports of Deficient Students are due in Registrar's Office
Oct. 22-30	Sat thru Sun	Midsemester vacation
Oct. 31	Monday	Classes resume at 8 a.m.
Nov. 1	Tuesday	Last day for course discontinuance
Nov. 10-17	Th thru Th	Advance registration for spring semester 1978
Nov. 24-27	Th thru Sun	Thanksgiving holiday begins at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 23
Nov. 28	Monday	Classes resume at 8 a.m.
Dec. 14	Wednesday	Last class day
Dec. 15	Thursday	Study day (no examinations)
Dec. 16-22	Fri thru Th (noon)	Final examinations (No Sunday exams)

### CLASS MEETINGS

MWF	42	TT	28
MW	29	TWT	43
MF	27	TTF	41
MTuW	44	TuF	28
MTT	42	TWF	43
MWTh	42		
MTh	27		
MTuF	42		
MThF	40		

### NUMBER OF CLASS DAYS

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Total
Aug.	0	1	1	0	0	2
Sept.	4	4	4	5	5	22
Oct.	4	3	3	3	3	16
Nov.	4	5	5	3	3	20
Dec.	2	2	2	2	2	10
Total	14	15	15	13	13	70

## Spring Semester 1978

Jan. 16	Monday	Orientation for new students
Jan. 17	Tuesday	Registration Day
Jan. 18	Wednesday	Classes begin at 8 a.m.
Jan. 26	Thursday	Latest date for all class changes
Feb. 13-17	Mon thru Fri	Enrollment reservations for the fall semester 1978-79
Mar. 8	Wednesday	Midsemester Reports of Deficient Students due in Registrar's Office
Mar. 13-17	Mon thru Fri	Room reservations for fall semester 1978-79
Mar. 18-27	Sat thru Mon	Easter vacation begins after last class Friday, March 17
Mar. 28	Tuesday	Classes resume at 8 a.m.
Mar. 29	Wednesday	Last day for course discontinuance
Apr. 20-27	Th thru Th	Advance Registration for the Fall Semester 1978-79 and for the Summer Session 1978
May 4	Thursday	Ascension Thursday (no classes)
May 8	Monday	Last class day
May 9	Tuesday	Study day (no examinations)
May 10-16	Wed thru Tues (noon)	Final examinations (No Sunday exams)
May 19-21	Fri thru Sun	Commencement weekend

### CLASS MEETINGS

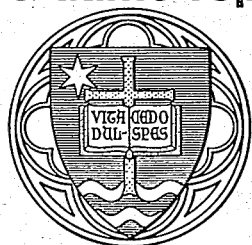
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MW	29	TWT	43
MF	29	TTF	43
MTuW	43	TuF	29
MTT	42	TWF	44
MWTh	43		
MTh	28		
MTuF	43		
MThF	43		

### NUMBER OF CLASS DAYS

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Total
Jan.	2	2	2	2	2	10
Feb.	4	4	4	4	4	20
Mar.	2	3	4	4	4	17
Apr.	4	4	4	4	4	20
May	2	1	1	0	1	5
Total	14	14	15	14	15	72

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