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Fall enrollment figures reflect campus diversity

Washington University's total daytime enrollment for the 1991-92 academic year is 6,699—a 1 percent change over the previous year total of 9,793, according to Dennis J. Martin, assistant provost. The fall 1991 figure is "right on our enrollment planning target in relation to our faculty size and available classroom and laboratory space," he said.

The slight decrease in total daytime enrollment was caused by a larger-than-expected freshman class in 1987 that graduated in the spring of 1991. Also, the closing of the School of Dental Medicine earlier this year reduced total enrollment. For fall 1991 all daytime undergraduates total 3,040, while graduate and professional daytime students total 4,560. Part-time evening students, both undergraduate and graduate, total 2,042. While all daytime, evening and certificate students are counted, the University's total enrollment is 11,752.

This year's freshman class is 1,182 students—two more than the target of 1,180. "We are especially pleased that our minority enrollments continue at an excellent level, with 100 African-Americans representing 8.5 percent, 142 Asians at 12 percent, 50 Hispanics at 2.5 percent, and three American Indians," Martin noted. In all minority students account for 23.3 percent of the 1991 freshman class. In addition, 38 international students from around the world round out this year's freshman class.

"We've worked very hard to provide a well-balanced environment for students of many backgrounds and interests," according to Gary Hochberg, Ph.D., interim dean of undergraduate admission. "Washington University seeks a diversity of talented students who represent a broad socioeconomic, cultural and ethnic spectrum — and I believe this freshman class clearly represents continuing progress toward that goal."

The number of freshmen enrolled in the five schools with undergraduate programs is as follows: architecture, 48; arts & sciences, 731; business, 124; engineering, 212; and fine arts, 67. Washington University received 7,493 applications from prospective freshmen.

Sixty-three percent of the freshman class was ranked in the top 16 percent of their high school classes, while 88.8 percent ranked in the top 20 percent. The freshman class includes 85 students who ranked first in their high school class and 31 students who ranked second. In addition, 63 students were National Merit Scholars.

The middle 50 percent of the freshmen scored between 520 and 620 on the verbal Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), between 590 and 780 on the math SAT, and between 26 and 30 on the American College Testing Service (ACT) composite.

On Oct. 6 Totenberg gave the first nationally broadcast report that Judge Joseph A. Califano, interim dean of undergraduate and graduate schools, and Dennis J. Martin, assistant provost, will discuss the Supreme Court during the Oct. 23 Women's Club Lecture. Her lecture, which will be held at 11 a.m. in Graham Chapel, is part of the University's American Studies Series and is free and open to the public.

The proposition would increase the sales tax to $800 a year, providing a $30 million annual cash infusion into the public school districts, to lower the average class size and to provide $11.2 million for school construction, $10 million for mission reform and institutional change in public colleges and universities, and $150 million for elementary and secondary educational support.

About $21 million of the financial aid funds will be applied to the Missouri Student Grant Program, the state's primary source of financial aid based on need. Much of this funding will help Missouri high school students attend public universities like Washington.

Under Proposition B, the Missouri Research Assistance Act funding would be increased by $11.2 million. Washington University would be eligible to compete for this research support, traditionally going to the smaller language colleges.

Proposition B requires greater accountability for education spending, including provisions to tax 10 percent of a school's surplus for a performance evaluation. Establishes a special fund with $25 million to be used for education reforms, including smaller classes, job training, student aid and college construction. An additional $385 million generated would be spent on tax relief, consumer protection, and medical research; increases corporate, tobacco and sales tax. Provides tax relief for dependents. Eliminates certain deductions for lower individual income taxpayers.

Of the $385 million generated, about 49 percent or $190 million would go to colleges and universities.

While the proposal will help financially needy students attend college, it also will provide needed funding for improved facilities and equipment. As part of the plan, public colleges and universities must refine their individual mission statements and get them approved before other funds are released.

Proposition B also will send federal tax dollars to the states, with $152 million going to lower property taxes and $13 million to general education, as well as $11 million for colleges and universities. The proposal would provide financial incentives encouraging school districts to lower their average class size to 15 students. It also would help fund such education programs as Parents as Teachers and Children at Risk, as well as Excellence in Education Programs.

Finally, $5 million would go to job development and training for unemployed people throughout the state.

The $385 million would be raised in several ways. Proposition B would make permanent a 1.5 percent increase in state income taxes for corporations with taxable income above $100,000.

The proposition also would raise the state sales tax by three-eighths of a cent. A two-earner, four-person household with an income of $32,500 could expect to pay an increase of less than 50 cents per month.

Proposition B would limit state tax deductions for federal income taxes to $7,000 for single filers or $14,000 for married couples filing jointly. Those below $50,000 would be affected by the cap and more than one-third of the income taxes would be paid by households with incomes in excess of $200,000.

The proposal would increase the state's dependent exemption from $400 to $500. For married couples filing jointly, the dependent exemption would increase from $400 to $700. The state would impose a new sales tax of 0.12 percent on restaurant sales and tax relief for more than 750,000 Missouri

Greek Classic: In a Performing Arts Department rehearsal of "Medea," junior Don Leckland, who plays the title role, receives news from the messenger played by freshman Steven Sherman while sophomore Michelle Parkins (left) and freshman Marion Oberle (right) — members of the chorus — look on.

"On target"

The freshman class has students from 46 states and 24 foreign countries. A total of 485 are from the Midwest; while 247 are from the mid-Atlantic states.

Total fall 1991 enrollments for the University's daytime undergraduate, graduate, and professional schools are, architecture, 207 undergraduates, 106 graduate; arts & sciences, 2,869 undergraduates, 1,234 graduate; business, 542 undergraduates, 677 graduate; and 111 executive MBA; engineering, 1,018 undergraduates, and 623 graduate; fine arts, 288 undergraduates, 49 graduate; medical school, 471 medical students.

NPR correspondent to discuss Supreme Court

Nira Totenberg, National Public Radio's legal-affairs correspondent who first reported Anita Hill's claims of sexual harassment by Supreme Court nominee Clarence Thomas, will discuss the Supreme Court during the Oct. 23 Women's Club Lecture. Her lecture, which will be held at 11 a.m. in Graham Chapel, is part of the University's American Studies Series and is free and open to the public.

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The proposition would provide $105 million for job training, $100 million for student aid and $105 million for Excellence in Education Programs.
The panel's control over reporters covering the Persian Gulf conflict is the topic of an Oct. 26 conference hosted by Washington University, The conference, which will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m., will center around media representation of the war.

The conference, which will be held on Monday, Oct. 21, in Room 101 of Lopata Hall.

The second discussion, titled "A Test of Will: The Military and the Media at War," will review the relationship between the military and the media in the Persian Gulf War. The panel will feature Lt. Col. Alexander Angle, a public relations officer; John Bearinger, a former Department of Defense spokesman in Saudi Arabia; Bill McClellan, St. Louis Post-Dispatch columnist; and Eric Mink, St. Louis Post-Dispatch television critic.

The third panel will focus on the effect of the restrictions on war coverage. It will feature former U.S. Sen. Thomas Eagleton, D., University Professor of Public Affairs, and James W. Davis, Ph.D., professor of political science, both at Washington University.

The conference, which will be held in May Auditorium, Simon Hall, costs $45 for in-state public, $25 for teachers and professional journalists; and $15 for students. To register, call 935-6789.

Congressional agency director to give third annual Stuckenberge Lecture

The third annual Elven and William Stuckenberge Lecture in Technology and Human Affairs will feature John H. Gibson, director of the Congressional Office of Technology Assessment since 1979.

The agency is considered to be the Congress' technology "think tank.

Gibson's lecture, "Governing in a Technology-Driven Age: Progress and Problems," will be held at 3 p.m., Monday, Oct. 21, in Room 101 of Lopata Hall.

In 1972, Congress authorized the Office of Technology Assessment, commonly known as OTA, to provide itself with a source of information that is nonpartisan, expert, objective and anticipatory. OTA prepares comprehensive analyses in a broad spectrum of complex and controversial issues involving technology and public policy.

Gibson, an internationally recognized scientist, is an expert in energy and environmental issues. He has the final determination on these matters.

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Faculty receive tenure

The following faculty have been granted tenure or appointed with tenure on the Hospital and Medical School campuses.

Graeafing of tenure


Joel S. Perlmutter as associate professor of neurology, effective Dec. 7, 1990; David A. Popp as professor of mechanical engineering, effective Oct. 4, 1991; Lawrence B. Sallouf as associate professor of neurobiology, effective Oct. 5, 1990; Robert A. Shimer as assistant professor of surgery (orthopedic surgery), effective Dec. 7, 1990; Paul P. Taggart as associate professor of radiology, effective Oct. 5, 1990; Kevin T. Trimian as associate professor of radiology, effective July 1, 1990; Gary R. Weil as associate professor of radiology (full time at Jewish Hospital), effective July 1, 1990; and Jeffrey F. Williams as associate professor of radiology, effective Oct. 5, 1990.

Appointments with tenure

Gary W. Grimes as professor and neurology, effective July 1, 1991; Elaine Deaton-Jones as associate professor of French, effective July 1, 1991; Lee J. Epstein as associate professor of political science, effective July 1, 1991; Robert P. Foglia as assistant professor of psychology, effective July 1, 1991; David M. Jaffe as associate professor of pediatrics, effective Dec. 7, 1990; Daniel K. Kido as professor of radiology, effective March 1, 1991; Robert G. Levit as associate professor of radiology, effective July 1, 1991; Larry M. Lewis as associate professor of psychiatry, effective July 1, 1991; Staffan Jan Normark as professor of molecular microbiology, effective Jan. 1, 1991; John Rohlbusch as associate professor of psychology in psychiatry, effective May 10, 1991; John Schneider as associate professor of history, effective July 1, 1991; James T. Schreiber as professor of obstetrics and gynecology, effective July 1, 1991; John B. Watkins as professor of pediatrics, effective Oct. 4, 1991; Neil H. White as assistant professor of pediatrics, effective July 1, 1991; and M. Victor Wachter as associate professor of mathematics, effective July 1, 1991.
Thursday, Oct. 17


1:30 p.m. Society of Black Student Workers Race Awareness Workshop, "Internalized Racism and the Involvement of African American and Caribbean Art: A Look at Photographic and Representational Art," Prof. of English, David Walker, Brown Hall Lounge.

3:00 p.m. Dept. of Mechanical Engineering Seminar, "Simulation and Design of a Large Modular Control System," M. Gelernter and E. E. Susskind, WAU-affiliated prof. of mechanical engineering.

4:00 p.m. Molecular Microbiology Seminar, "Recombination and Replication of Plasmodium falciparum DNA," Patricia C. Herriott, prof. of biology.

4:00 p.m. Dept. of Earth and Planetary Science Colloquium, "From the Solar System to the Sahara Desert and Beyond," Robert P. Shanks, Carte, chair, Dept. of Physical Sciences, Passavant Hall, 1400 S. Euclid Ave.

4:00 p.m. Central Institute for the Deaf Research Seminar: "Current Trends in the Noise-Damaged Cochlea," Barbara R. German, Associate professor of pediatrics. Floor 2A, Evers Hall.

4:00 p.m. Dept of Physics Theory Seminar, "Enhancing the Index of Refraction via Quantum Optics," Martin S. Fluegel, U. of Chicago. Room 241 Compton.

Friday, Oct. 18

8:00 a.m. School of Medicine Seminar: "Psychosis," Stuckenberg Lecture in Technology and Social Work, Brown Hall Lounge.

9:00-10:30 a.m. Pediatric Grand Rounds. "Pre- and Postsynaptic Mechanisms in Repolarization," James A. C. Buxton, PhD, professor of pediatrics. Room 100 McKinley Hall.

11:00 a.m. Division of General Surgery Colloquium, "Congenital Heart Failure: Pathogenesis and Treatment," E. Michael Weakly, professor of pediatrics. Gaylord Chapel.


1:30 p.m. Dept of Mathematics Colloquium: The Physics of the Pendulum, "Euler's Pendulum," J. M. Greene, associate professor of physics. Room 120 South Hall.

2:00 p.m. Student Council Meeting, "Meeting Minutes, Spring 1991," 324 Stuckenberg Hall.

2:30 p.m. Dept of Chemistry Seminar, "Quantum Coherence and Interference," Marian Bell, professor of chemistry. Floor Aud., Clinics and Research Bldg., 909 S. Euclid Ave.


3:00 p.m. Dept of Physical Education Seminar, "Chromatin Structure and Gene Expression in Drosophila," Sarah Lin, WU postdoc in biology. Steinberg Hall Aud.