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Shortage of qualified professors expected

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A shortage of qualified professors is expected by the end of the decade, with more than half of current faculty eligible to retire by the year 2000 and enrollment in graduate studies on the decline.

The University of Nevada, Reno is already feeling the pinch. 58 percent of UNR's faculty will reach retirement age within ten years.

Affirmative Action Director David Torres said of the Reno campus, "People aren't applying to graduate school in the numbers they have in the past. This will leave a shortage of teachers needed to re-

place retiring faculty."

UNLV may find itself in a similar quandary. About half of the faculty will be up for retirement within the next decade. This, coupled with the tremendous growth the university has experienced, has already led to an unprecedented number of professor openings on campus.

Dale Anderson, dean of the College of Education, hired 21 new professors last year and is currently seeking to fill another 15 positions. He says it is fortunate that interest in UNLV is high.

"I was very pleased with the caliber of the applicants last year," he said. "I was elated, in fact, to hire my first choice for all 21 posi-

tions."

UNLV, according to Anderson, is considered to be a dynamic university and is an attractive choice for the academically talented. Anderson's office has become well practiced in recruiting.

"There's been a tremendous growth in faculty during the last five years. In 1984 there were 48 faculty members in the education department. Today there are 76," he said. Although he feels that the university will double in size before the next century, he remains optimistic about future recruiting. "I don't anticipate that we're going to have major problems," he said.

Interim Dean of the College of Arts and Letters, Paul Burns, ex-

pects that 100 to 150 new faculty will be hired in the coming decade. He doesn't see any crisis on the horizon, but does expect to find the university facing more competition from private industry in the future.

"Some fields are more affected by market conditions," he said. "Broadcast journalism is a good example. You don't find many people with a Ph.D and experience in the field. We'll probably have to offer a salary that reflects that."

Ernest Peck, dean of the College of Science and Mathematics, knows about market conditions and the challenge of competing with industry for talented graduates.

His department is already learning how to battle with the best.

"We currently have a shortage. We have 18 openings right now, and conduct interviews nearly every day. Government agencies and industry are making it harder and harder to recruit graduate students. A new Bachelor of Science can earn \$36,000 with the Environmental Protection Agency," Peck said. "A university just can't match that."

Peck said that he tries to steer qualified students towards academic careers by pairing younger scientists with experienced professors in research projects that give the student a glimpse of what the life is like.

According to Dean Anderson of education, the answer lies in pro-

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No opposition hurts CSUN elections

By Stephanie Alderette
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The category "none of these candidates" received more votes than incumbent President Joe Bunin in the Consolidated Student of the University of Nevada's recent general election.

Still, Bunin will continue to serve in his position for the 1990-91 academic year.

According to the CSUN Constitution "none of these candidates" is not a viable participant in the election, so the candidate with the next highest votes automatically wins.

Also on the ballot was Senate President Gina Polovina who retains her position.

Out of the 568 total votes calculated only the 267 votes casted for legitimate candidates will count, the remaining 301 votes were declared invalid by the CSUN election board, who oversee all student government elections.

Any undergraduate student registered at UNLV, and taking at least one credit is eligible to vote in CSUN elections, which amounts to almost 15,000 eligible to participate.

Traditionally, the UNLV cam-

pus has been plagued with low voter turnout, but this election was one of the lowest ever.

Polovina said the reasoning for the low participation is because there was little or no campaigning - nobody out there handing out flyers.

"There was no publicity," she added. "[There was] nothing specific in the newspaper."

Earlier in the election, the two opposing candidates for student body president were disqualified by the elections board leaving Bunin to run unopposed.

Former candidate Martin Dupalo was disqualified for conduct unbecoming a candidate, and Chris Robertson was disqualified for campaigning before the legal time allotted by election rules.

When asked if the election had grown too political Polovina responded, "I look at it this way. One of the main premises brought out [by the opposition] was that students had no choice, but nobody has been running against me since the second day of the election."

"Students didn't seem to care about me having no opposition," she said.

Bunin could not be reached for comment.

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- READY TO FIGHT The UNLV Rebel R.O.T.C. squad recently participated in war games with the National Guard. The event took place in Fallon, NV.