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## UNLV student to take part in AIDS delegation



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Going to China - Ken Tomory, of the Student Health Advisory, is going to China to teach about AIDS.

Ken Tomory, a UNLV junior studying business administration, has been invited to China in November as part of a U.S. delegation of specialists in the management and control of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) and the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV).

Tomory and approximately 140 other delegates will take part in the AIDS education and cultural exchange program, which is organized by the U.S. Citizens Ambassador Program.

While in China, the delegates will meet with members of the Chinese Medical Association (CMA) to exchange information about HIV infection and how America is dealing with the disease.

As one of the only students to take part in the delegation, Tomory said he plans to stress the importance of including AIDS education and sex education that

emphasizes behavioral change in school curricula. He said it is extremely important to openly discuss these topics with teens in order to stop the growing transmission of the AIDS virus.

Tomory also plans to share his knowledge about peer education with the CMA professionals.

"In America, we're learning a lot about peer education, and we're finding that it is easier for students to talk to each other about matters as personal as AIDS and sex," Tomory said.

Tomory is the student representative on UNLV's Campus Committee on AIDS, and he chairs the Student Health Advisory Committee. He also represents the College of Business and Economics as a student senator and serves on the campus Publications Board.

An advocate of HIV education and prevention, Tomory is the

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## Community College graduates earn more

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Students with two-year degrees may earn more initially than their counterparts with four-year degrees, a University of Florida study, released in mid-August, maintained.

Job-placement counselors at community colleges weren't surprised by the finding.

"I wouldn't be surprised that associate degree holders earn more in the first three-to-five years (after graduation)" than bachelor's degree holders, said Bernard Fils-Aime, placement director at Miami-Dade Community College.

The study, done by University of Florida doctoral candidate Bruce Judd, compared the wages of 2,810 workers eight years after earning Associate of Arts degree from five Florida community colleges to holders of bachelor's degrees.

In five of eight employment categories, people with associate degrees earned about the same or more money as bachelor's degree holders.

Fils-Aime attributes the higher salaries to a profusion of technical fields for which high school graduates are underqualified and four-year college graduates are overqualified.

"That may translate into higher salaries (for two-year degree holders)," Fils-Aime said.

The study found that associate degree holders did better than bachelor's holders in communication and public administration jobs.

"That surprises me," said Bonnie Siefen of the career services office at Nebraska's Wayne State College. "What kind of associate degree would you get in public administration?"

Siefen and Fils-Aime agreed that a two-year degree only goes so far.

"After five years (the salary discrepancy) reverses," Fils-Aime said. "People who are ambitious will look to finish their degrees."

## Gas prices rise as crisis continues

The California State Automobile Association (CSAA) reports that August 1990's gas prices are averaging \$1.31, a total of 9 1/2 cents higher than last month's survey of regular, unleaded, self-service gasoline at 600 gas retailers in northern and central California and the state of Nevada.

Gasoline prices have risen as a result of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and also the 5-cent increase in state gasoline tax which began August 1.

The August 1990 prices are 16 cents higher than those surveyed a year ago for unleaded self-service gasoline.

CSAA continues to urge motorists to practice auto fuel conservation and to avoid panic-buying of gasoline.

CSAA suggests that you use

your car wisely and take steps to conserve gasoline. Make five gallons of gas do the work of six by:

- Never idling your engine for extended periods. If you expect to wait more than a minute, shut off the engine.
- Car pooling or ride sharing whenever possible.
- Organizing errands and shopping into fewer trips.
- Having tune-ups twice a year, which can mean a 9 to 15 percent mileage improvement.

The gas survey is conducted for CSAA by Computer Petroleum Corporation. The monthly survey prices are averages. Additional reductions or increases of up to 16 cents a gallon may be found at individual stations.

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## Hazardous materials classes offered

UNLV's chemistry department is offering two experimental courses on the principles of hazardous materials management this fall.

CHE 392 X is offered on Wednesday evenings, 6:30-9:30 p.m., in the Chemistry Building, Room 101. It is a three credit general elective course. Students should have completed at least one full year of university-level chemistry and have some knowledge of organic chemistry.

Those individuals who are not regularly enrolled students or who prefer to take this course as a seminar may register for CHE 192 X as special students. This course, offered at the same time, is also three credits, but each student will receive a satisfactory or fail grade, based upon class participation. An understanding of chemistry principles will be helpful, but not required.

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Hazardous classes - Chemistry professor Dr. Terri teaches a class about hazardous materials.