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tially explained by a lack of publicity.

"Every time I put up posters they get ripped down in a week," said Phelps.

Another problem is her lack of assistants. She is one of only

two advisors in the whole program who also teaches full time.

"I think the advisors at other schools have student slave labor to help them," said Phelps.

Phelps invites students to

visit her office in Flora Dungan Humanities (FDH) 519.

Catalogs to the participating schools are available in the reserve reading room of the library under Dr. Phelps' name.

Student tells of problems with exchange program

by Richard Gibson
Staff Reporter

Some of the students attending UNLV through the National Student Exchange Program (NSE) have run into several problems including closed classes, and lack of advising and orientation, according to Eileen Brady, an exchange student from Bowling Green State University in Ohio.

Brady submitted a list of classes from the UNLV catalog for approval by her advisor, the NSE coordinator and the director of transfer evaluations, all at Bowling Green last spring.

Of the 20 classes approved for her to take only five were offered this semester.

"I was only able to get into two of the five classes I was approved to take," said Brady.

"I got one alternate and took one class that was not on my approved class list which might not be transferable."

She tried to get other classes approved by the proper advisors at Bowling Green but there was not enough time.

Unless she goes to summer school or takes an overload of classes Brady said she will not graduate on schedule.

Kirk Elliott, an exchange student from Indiana Purdue at Fort Wayne said he had similar problems.

"I'm taking a full schedule of classes, but some will not be transferable," said Elliott.

This is a common problem according to NSE advisor Dr. Mary Phelps.

"I pre-register every NSE student myself, making sure that there are no class conflicts, but because the students are too late for CARS registration some classes are closed," said Phelps.

Another problem is a lack of orientation said Brady.

"Orientation when I was a freshman helped me make friends, learn some of the ins and outs of the school and at least find out where the buildings were"

She is frustrated by her lack of knowledge about basic things at UNLV simply because they are done differently than at her home school.

NSE students are not required to attend orientation because they are not freshmen, said Phelps

A lack of counseling was another problem Brady cited.

Dr. Phelps said that students may individually seek an advisor in their major, but that they are not assigned one automatically.

These problems are not isolated to UNLV according to Phelps.

"Housing for NSE students in Hawaii is a nightmare because the exchange students are put on a list behind the island residents and the state residents on other islands" said Phelps

Brady is not completely disappointed with the program however.

"(The program) offers two perspectives of college life. That is what I like most about it.

"It has made me appreciate a lot of Bowling Green's programs but I also appreciate what UNLV has to offer; like the weather," she said.

Money Magazine says Cooper Union provides the best buy for the buck

(CPS) - Statistically, anyway, students will get the most college for their tuition money at Cooper Union Institute in New York City, Money magazine's fall "Money Guide" reported Sept. 10.

Using a statistical analysis, the magazine measured 17 kinds of academic performance at the nation's colleges, determined value of the academic performance on the job market, and then compared it to each school's actual cost.

Those that delivered the most economic value for the tuition dollar made the publication's list of "best college buys."

The magazine said that, besides Cooper Union, students would get the most valuable courses for the least amount of money at the California Institute of Technology, Rice University, the New College of the University of South Florida, State University of New York - Geneseo, State University of New York at Binghamton, Trenton State College, State University of New York at Albany, the University of Virginia and the University of Florida.

Such magazine ratings typically are "flawed," said Richard Chait of the National Center for Postsecondary Governance and

Finance, a group headquartered at the University of Maryland that focuses on higher education budget concerns.

Administrators generally hate the ratings, which may range from Playboy magazine's lists of "top party schools" to the Yale Insider's Guide To College to U.S. News and World Report's annual ranking of "best" colleges. They blast them as impossibly general and inherently inaccurate.

Yet, Chait adds, "I think (such rankings) are useful to the consumer because the industry itself does not provide information about what school is best."

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More than one thousand English-language oriented schools and colleges in over 140 foreign countries offer teaching and administrative opportunities to American educators.

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parable to those in the United States. Foreign language knowledge is seldom required. Some overseas schools will hire graduating seniors for student teaching.

For more information send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Friends of World Teaching, P.O. Box 1049, San Diego, CA 92112-1049.

Rededication scheduled for Jaycee Park

The City of Las Vegas Department of Parks and Leisure Activities plans to re-dedicate Jaycee Park to the citizens of Las Vegas on Saturday, Oct. 27 in celebration of a project to upgrade all city parks to improve the environmental quality of life in the community.

Improvements currently being made include 7,500 feet

of interlocking pathways, a hydraulic sprinkler system, single family picnic pads, polygon hex group picnic shelters, restroom improvements, bocce court upgrade, baseball diamond upgrade, and new block walls around certain portions of the park.

For more information call 386-6297.

Department of Justice awards grant

Congresswoman Barbara Vucanovich announced today that the Department of Justice has awarded \$100,000 to the Las Vegas Metro Police Department.

The purpose of the grant will be to establish a multi-jurisdictional investigative and prosecutorial approach to drug crimes. Centrally-managed narcotics trafficking investigations will involve federal, state, and local agencies. The priority of the Organized Crime Narcotics Trafficking Program, which

authorized this grant to the Metro Police Department, is to establish a multi-agency response to regional major drug crimes.

"There is no question that Las Vegas has been hit with an increasing number of violent drug conspiracies," Congresswoman Vucanovich said. "If Metro is to be able to effectively strike a blow against organized drug trafficking, this kind of multi-agency coordination of investigation and prosecution will be essential."

Singers invited to join chorus

The Musical Arts Chorus is now rehearsing "A German Requiem" by Johannes Brahms at 7:15 to 9:30 p.m. on Sunday evenings at UNLV's Alta Ham Fine Arts Building, room 132. Interested singers are invited to join; there are openings in all voices.

The Southern Nevada Mu-

sical Arts Society will present the Requiem in a performance by the Musical Arts Chorus, the Desert Chorale, soloists, and the Musical Arts Orchestra in UNLV's Artemus W. Ham Concert Hall on Sunday, Nov. 25. For further information call Dr. Douglas R. Peterson, music director, at 451-6672.



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