

Documentary Undergrad scholarships available makes stop at UNLV

Video Flight Productions is currently in Las Vegas filming footage for their documentary entitled "Flight Across America." The film will be a combination travelogue and movie; its purpose being to show an overview of every state in our nation.

Jeff Wershow, creator of Video Flight Productions, started the project approximately a year and a half ago in order to "fill a need for travel programming that goes beyond the ordinary."

His goal is to create a film that provides a guide

for serious travellers as well as to help Americans get to know their country.

While in Las Vegas, Video Flight will be looking for attractions, such as the strip and the UNLV campus, that will represent our state in the film. At UNLV, their crew will speak to performing arts students, giving instructional lectures on the logistics behind their project. If you see their crew on campus, be sure to smile. You will be representing our state in the only state by state documentary in history.

Twenty-five scholarships are available for undergraduate students majoring in engineering and science disciplines. Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and administered by Oak Ridge Associated Universities, the scholarships are designated for those students interested in pursuing careers in environmental restoration or waste management.

Applicants must be U.S. citizens and currently pursuing an Associate of Science or Bachelor of Science degree full time. The Environmental Restoration/Waste Management Scholarship Program includes full payment of tuition and fees at a DOE-approved institution, a \$600 monthly stipend and a three-month practicum assignment at a DOE facility engaged in en-

vironmental restoration and waste management.

Selection is based on academic performance, recommendations, background and a statement of career goals by the applicant. The competition is nationwide, although two and four-year institutions will compete in separate categories.

Scholarship applications are being taken through Jan. 31, 1992, and

awards will be announced in May 1992.

For applications or more information, contact Peggy Gibson, Environmental Restoration/Waste Management Scholarship Program, Oak Ridge Associated Universities, Science/Engineering Education Division, P.O. Box 117, Oak Ridge, TN 37831-0117, or call (615) 576-9278.

Grant funding up 20% at UNLV

In fiscal year 1991, UNLV received 23 percent more grant funding for sponsored programs than during the previous year, according to President Robert Maxson.

Grant support for funded projects, including research, totaled \$12 million for fiscal 1991, up from \$9.7 million during fiscal 1990. Total grant funding for fiscal year 1991 came to approximately \$15 million, including \$2.9 million in Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) funding for a major expansion of the Environmental Research Cen-

ter (ERC) in UNLV's Marjorie Barrick Museum of Natural History.

"Grant funds, which come to us from federal, state and local government as well as the private sector, make it possible for us to carry on important scientific and social-science research," Maxson said. "Without outside support, much of our research would be impossible."

"The projection for fiscal 1992 indicates that this exciting growth in funding

for sponsored programs will continue," said David McNelis, associate vice president for research. "The rate of growth in research funding at UNLV compares very favorably with the national average, placing it in the top few percent of colleges and universities, in terms of growth."

The federal government provided the largest portion of the research funding at more than \$8.5 million. Of that, the EPA provided \$6.5 million, including funds for

the ERC expansion and for Superfund environmental clean-up projects, biological studies and visibility studies.

State government provided \$1.5 million, local governments provided \$560,000, and the private sector provide \$1.6 million in sponsored-program funding, McNelis said.

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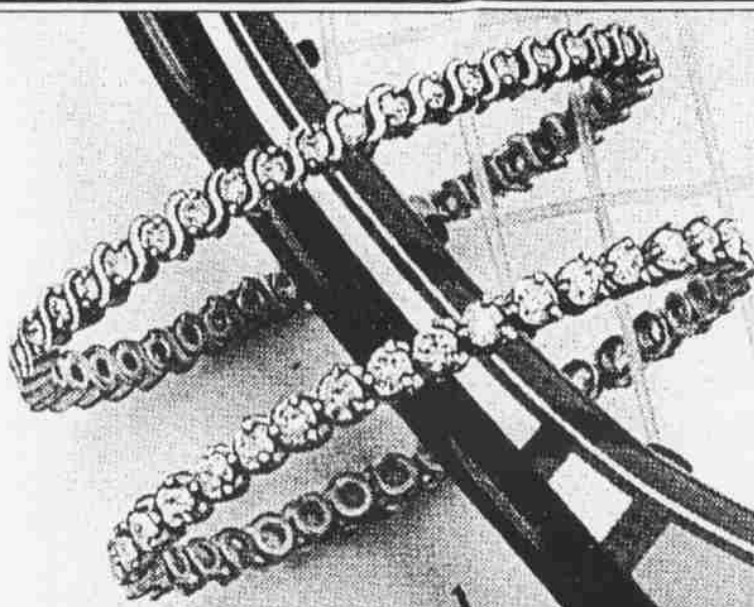
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management."

Antonello, an instructor who was also a student of the class in its first year said, "The class provides the freshman with a chance to explore campus organizations and services a lot earlier than one usually would."

In addition to campus organizations and services, the class offers insights into different majors from college deans. The instructors conduct a survey of the interests of the students as they enter the class and in turn ask the deans from those colleges to speak for the class.

The students, just like any other class, evaluate the class and its instructors, offering advice and criticisms at the end of the course. A positive factor in this class is that students learn first hand from other students how to take advantage of the many opportunities at UNLV, making their transition to university life an easier and more successful one.

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"I initially chose Occidental College because of its reputation, but realized I had overlooked UNLV," Allan said.

"Some people are hung up on prestige. Those people would be unhappy here. Those more concerned with the most value for their

educational dollar should be happy with UNLV," said Zane. "To those students who prefer prestige over the quality of education," said Zane, "it's their problem. If I paid \$20,000 a year to get an education, I'd feel I had to defend myself, too."

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