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Demonstration Training Program

The Training Director and a trainee for the Columbia Point Demonstration Training Program have been appointed. They are Harold Springer and Mrs. Sharon Russell, both of whom have backgrounds in welfare work. They will be associated with Mrs. Barbara Smith, Chairman of the Columbia Point Action Coalition, who helped develop the proposal for the program in conjunction with the University.

The Demonstration Program has these objectives:

- To involve broadly the residents of Columbia Point in an education program focused upon the solution of community problems.
- 2. To involve representatives of the Columbia Point community in an expanded program focused upon understanding, defining and developing solutions for community problems.
- 3. To involve UMass/Boston faculty, staff, and students in a program of joint study and planning with community residents.

A coalition of some 15 Columbia Point community groups has been organized to work with the University in planning and conducting the program.

Prof. Harry Brill (Sociology) is the Project Director for the University and is Chairman of the University Committee of faculty, staff, and students working with the community.

Business Education

Thor Olson, Business Manager, and Stanley W. Haney, Director of Purchasing, have completed short courses in the business management of universities. Olson's course was at the University of Kentucky, and areas reveiwed included accounting, personnel, buildings and grounds. Haney's studies were at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Attending the sessions were business managers from public and private institutions around the country.

SUSS Program

Approximately 25 freshmen will be involved in the Sociology and Urban Social Service Program offered by the Department of Sociology and Anthropology in conjunction with the Institute for Learning and Teaching. An important and unique feature of SUSS will be blending formal academic training with field experience.

The program will seek to assist in the training of students who anticipate employment in urban educational and social service organizations directly after acquiring their undergraduate degree.

The entering freshmen in the program will divide their time in all courses taken in sequence between classroom activities and a placement in a child-serving social agency in Greater Boston.

Dr. James E. Blackwell said: "The internships are intended to make the learning of sociology more realistic and meaningful."

Library Guide

The Manual for the Use of the Library, prepared by Walter Grossmann and the Library staff primarily for new students but most useful to other members of the University community, is a pithy guide to the resources of the library. The reviews of basic reference books are urbane and direct, such as the notation for the Dictionary of Philosophy and Psychology:

"Reprint of an Edwardian encyclopedia that has stood up remarkably well in view of the constant onslaught on this field of new theories and new interpretations of old ones."

The University Senate
And Non-Professionals

In accordance with the amended University Senate by-laws of April 1,1971, which grants speaking privileges at Senate meetings to two non-professionals of the University staff, elections were conducted last week. Of some 112 eligible secretaries, maintenence, storekeepers, bookkeepers and others, 83 cast ballots.

Kathleen Gorman, Mathematics secretary, and Judith O'Donnell, Politics secretary, were elected to the two posts. The election chairman was Thomas Curran, Duplicating.

Action and UMass/Boston

The University has received \$8,000 from Action, the new federal agency responsible for volunteer programs, to design a proposal for UMass/Boston participation in "University Year for Action."

Under this experimental program, 30 full time students would be released from regular classes to work on special projects. Field placements, related to the students' academic interests, would be developed in community service agencies. Participating students would receive stipends from Action for their community service work. Richard Hogarty of the UMass/Boston Politics Department and Mrs. Joanne Ross, formerly of the Commonwealth Service Corp and presently a member of the UMass/Boston Politics Department and a consultant with OSTI, have been retained by the University to develop the proposal. Mr. Hogarty and Mrs. Roxx are being assisted by a faculty-student-administration panel including!

Ernest Becker (Chemistry); James Blackwell (Sociology); David Landy (Anthropology); Ellen Nollman (Class of '72); James Ryan (Spanish); Maxwell J Schleifer (Psychology); Raymond Torto (Economics); Manuel Trillo (Class of '72); and Gardner Yenawine (Placement).

Before being implemented, the proposal will have to be approved by appropriate University authorities and by Action.

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