

letters

We, as instructors in the English Department and members of the committee that represents the Junior staff within that department, wish to express our concern over the Daily Nebraskan's coverage of the alleged exclusion of men from English 253A. We are not writing primarily to protest what many consider to be the inaccurate and unprofessional way in which the story has been handled—nor to give yet another version of the "truth." It is becoming increasingly clear that there may never be exact agreement on just what did happen in that classroom.

We are writing rather to tell the university community what we do know with certainty: that the English Department faculty overwhelmingly supports open enrollment policies in its classes; that the department has shown and continues to show its commitment to Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity hiring—in the past five years the department has hired eight women and four men including two black faculty members—and finally that the English Department is outstanding in the University for the wide range of courses it offers which focus on the experience of groups like women, blacks, native Americans, gays and Chicanos. Our continued wide offerings in areas which often explore the experience of men, whites and other traditionally more visible members of our culture demonstrate our intention to examine in literature matters that are of vital interest to as many parts of the student body as possible.

We, the members of the committee, are personally involved in working with other faculty in the department

to foster and extend these policies. Although there is much to be done, we feel strongly that there is also much we may be justifiably proud of in our department and we hope that these things will not be obscured in the heated controversies that this situation has created.

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Landlord...

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deposits can be avoided by preparing a written checklist which records the condition of the apartment at the time the tenant moves in. Such a checklist should be signed by both the landlord and the tenant and dated.

The above information should not be considered a substitute for legal advice. The solution for any one problem necessarily depends upon the exact facts and circumstances. If you have a rental problem be sure to consult with Student Legal Services at 237 Nebraska Union, 472-3350.

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