Demand for engineering grads exceeds supply

Recent demand for engineering students far exceeds the output at UNL, said Lyle Young, associate dean of the College of Engineering and Technology.

UNL's shortage of engineering graduates is caused by an 80 percent enrollment increase coupled with only a 5 percent faculty increase during the last 10 years, Young said. As a result, the engineering college has been forced to tighten its belt and limit the amount of students accepted in advanced classes.

"Money to increase the faculty comes slow, and to keep the quality of education high, we set minimum grade point averages in each department," he said.

Although the shortage is a great disadvantage for the nation, engineering has taken the blame in some places it should not have he said.

For example, automobile industry officials say that the Japanese took control of American trade not because of superior technology, but because of the high labor cost and government regulations in the United States, he said.

Because of a lack of funds, the engineering college also experiences a problem with teacher turnover, he said.

"Other universities and industries can offer a larger salary, so naturally it's difficult to recruit instructors," he said.

Unless the college receives a sizable increase in funds, the number of UNL engineering graduates and the level of their education will remain the same, he said: Keeping and recruiting instructors is a difficult enough task with the present budget, he said.

In 1982-82, 412 engineers graduated with bachelor's degrees. If the engineering college had more money to work with, Young estimated that the college could increase the amount of graduates by 25 percent to 515 students.

Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger recently estimated that a shortage of 16,000 engineering students exists each year. Weinberger said he fears a shortage of engineering graduates will cause trouble for the national security.

Task force to access state's agriculture

Agriculture 2001, a task force on agriculture and natural resources, has been created to provide external input on planning and to develop programs that will best meet the needs of Nebraska agriculture, according to Roy Arnold, vice chancellor of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

The task force will assess Nebraska's agricultural strengths, define potential growth and propose actions to strengthen agriculture in the state.

Arnold said he hopes to establish a "broad-based citizen input" team that will serve as a representative of all geographic locations and different interests in Ne-

About 175 distinguished Nebraskans have been invited to participate in the task force, which will work in conjunction with the NU Foundation to develop financial support for the recommended programs. Task force efforts will be on a volunteer basis, Arnold said.

Police receive calls about accidents, thefts

The following is a list of the calls and complaints received by UNL police in the 24-hour period from 7 a.m. Tuesday to 7 a.m. Wednesday.

9:34 a.m.-A window reportedly was broken out of a car in parking area 23.

4:45 p.m.-An accessory was reported stolen from a motorcycle at 12th and U streets.

4;54 p.m.-A car-bicycle accident was reported near

East Campus. 5:28 p.m.-A bicycle was reported stolen from 1235 N.

16th St

7:56 p.m.-A backpack was reported stolen from the Abel Hall game room.

7:57 p.m.-A hit and run accident was reported in parking area 27.

10:33 p.m.-Someone complained of a party or parties shooting a BB gun at 1125 N. 16th St.

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