

**Weather:**

Mostly cloudy and breezy today with occasional flurries possible. Southeast winds increasing 15-25 mph by afternoon with a high of 20. Cloudy tonight with a low of 13. Partly cloudy and windy on Tuesday with a high of 27.

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## Dead week called useful, but violations concern professors

By Linda Hartmann  
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Despite some concerns about dead week violations, UNL officials say that allowing students time to prepare for final exams is a valuable policy.

Desmond Wheeler, UNL Faculty Senate president, said dead week may not be the best policy, "but there is logic in not having exams during that week."

Approved in 1983, the Faculty Senate's dead week policy allows only laboratory practical examinations, make-up or repeat examinations and self-paced examinations to be given during the week before final exams.

**Policy good when followed**

Stanley Liberty, dean of the College of Engineering and Technology, said he thinks the dead week policy is good as long as it is not heavily violated. He said moving a test into dead week takes up a class period, but sometimes it's necessary.

Liberty said the week before final exams is good for structured review. He said he worries more about instructors moving regular exams into dead week than moving final exams into dead week.

Liberty said he is not aware that the dead week policy is being widely violated. Introducing new material during dead week violates the spirit of the policy, he said.

Stephen Hilliard, assistant dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, said no finals preparation policy is perfect, but until students feel that the dead week policy is not working at all, it should be followed.

**Tests can be on dead week**

Hilliard said instructors may move tests into dead week only with unanimous consent of the class or with an option for students to take an exam either during dead week or finals week. He said any voting on the matter should be done by secret ballot so students don't feel pressured to vote one way.

Hazel Anthony, dean of the College of Home Economics, said students should not be pressured to agree to a

change in final exam dates. Dead week policy is for the students' protection, she said. If it is not followed, she said, it serves no purpose and should be abolished.

Anthony said one alternative to dead week and finals week may be to allow instructors to give final exams on any day during the last two weeks of the semester. But she said many instructors would not follow their exams with more class periods, which would cut the semester short for some students.

Another alternative is allowing several days without classes or exams before finals week.

Hilliard said Harvard University allows a "reading period" of one week before final exams. Hilliard said the concept works well at Harvard because of the lengthy comprehensive exams given there. But it may not work as well at UNL. He said only highly motivated students would use the time to full advantage.

Wheeler said he does not like to introduce material on Friday of dead week that will be on the final exam the following Monday. In that way, he said, a reading period would be advantageous.

**Reading period is possible**

Liberty said UNL's semesters are longer than those at some universities, so a reading period policy may be possible. But he said he doesn't support canceling classes several days before final exam week because it would not allow students enough time for structured review with teachers.

Anthony said she prefers the dead week policy to a reading period policy because many students would use the days as a vacation instead of studying.

G. G. Meisels, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences said dead week is a good time for review. He said doing away with several class periods before final exams would reduce students' chances for reviewing with instructors.

Keeping up with materials throughout the semester is the best way to study for final exams, Meisels said. Allowing too much time before final exams by having a reading period policy might encourage cramming, he said.

## Woman ROTC officer tries to break barriers

By Michael Hooper  
Staff Reporter

Carlotta Horrace says most people expect women army officers to be single, burly, masculine women with hair above their lips. But, as UNL's first woman captain in the ROTC program, she's trying to prove that wrong.

Horrace became an instructor in charge of the ROTC recruiting office in October.

She says she has received "a lot of strange looks and comments" because of her career choice.

Before coming to UNL this year, Horrace was stationed in West Germany where she commanded about 175 soldiers, some of whom called her a wimp, she said.

"When I first gave commands (during formation), they almost had heart attacks because they heard a female voice," Horrace said.

However, she said, "in the seven years I have been in the Army, I have not met any married woman that is of rank higher than captain."

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## Advanced degrees on the increase

### More school gives security, higher salary

By Joe Dejka  
Staff Reporter

Big bucks and job security lured 914 UNL students to earn advanced degrees in the 1984-85 school year, university officials said.

Advanced degrees translate into higher pay scales, more opportunities for specialization and greater chances for success, several UNL officials said.

Most master's degree recipients studied business, education, civil engineering, computer science, English, human development and family, human nutrition and food service management and music. The College of Business Administration and Teachers College awarded the most doctoral degrees.

Representatives of several UNL colleges said they expected the number of degrees awarded this year to remain about the same as in 1984-85. UNL awarded 177 doctoral degrees and 737 master's degrees last year.

**Salary increase**

Toni Santmire, chairwoman of the UNL educational psychology department, said a master's degree in counseling or school psychology can mean a \$5,000 to \$10,000 increase in salary over a bachelor's degree and more opportunity for career advancement.

The department awarded 74 master's degrees last year. This high number reflects the increasing demand for human resources counselors with advanced degrees, Santmire said. She said professionals in the field think students with bachelor's degrees only are not qualified.

"Advanced training is the rule," she said.

CBA presented 105 master's degrees, the most at UNL, in the 1984-85 school year.

Dvee Buss, CBA director of advising, said most of the students earned a master's in business administration. She said the MBA is a generalized degree designed for people from non-business fields.

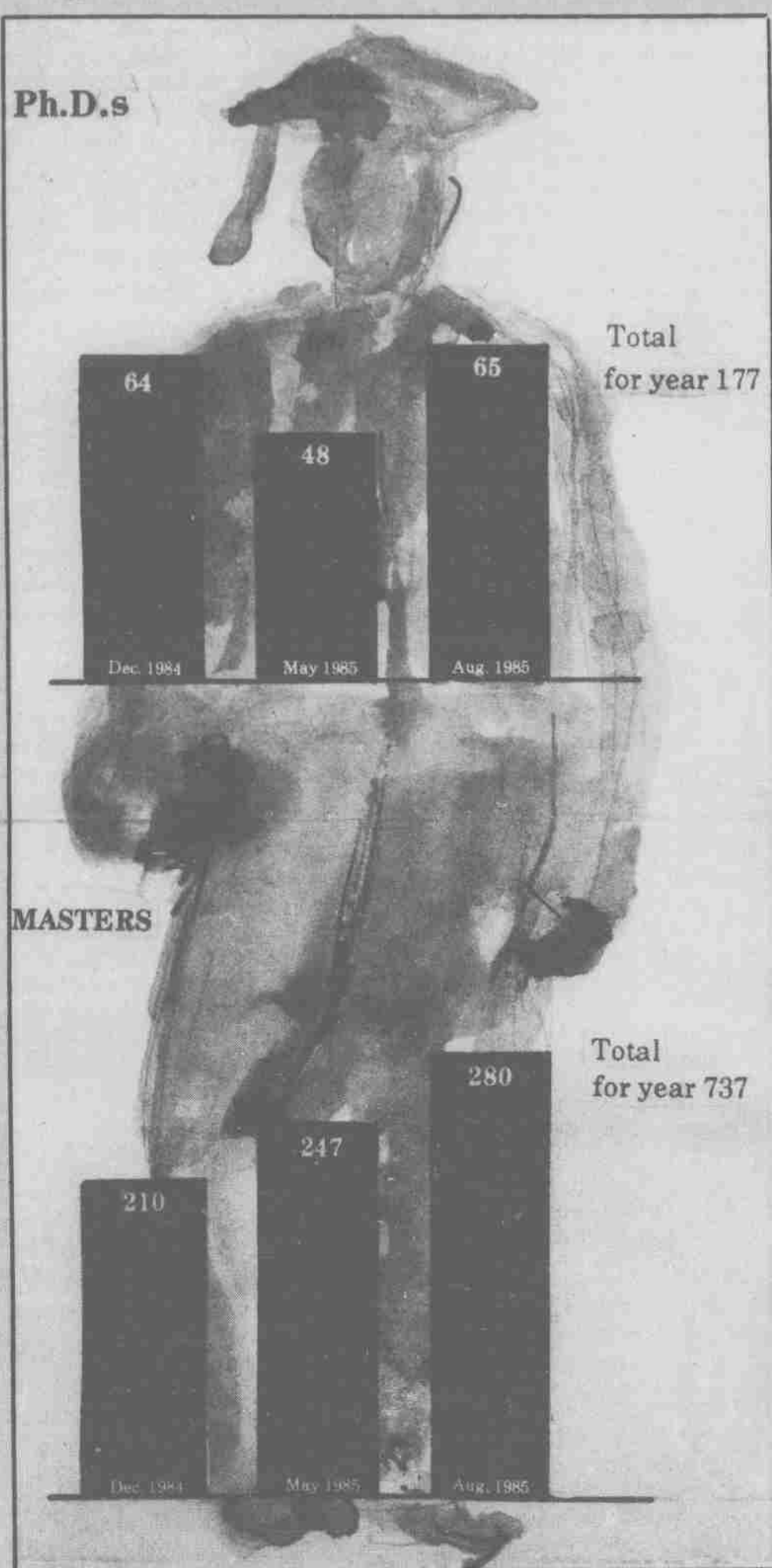
**Increase expected**

By preparing a person for a managerial position, the program makes the person "very marketable," Buss said.

Edward Anderson, assistant dean of the College of Engineering and Technology, said the national trend is for an increase in students pursuing advanced engineering degrees.

The college presented 101 master's and 7 doctoral degrees last year. Anderson said he expects the figures to increase even more in the coming years.

In addition to increasing the graduate's starting pay, he said, a



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master's degree opens opportunities in the field.

In the usual 18 months it takes to

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— Toni Santmire, educational psychology department chairwoman

complete the degree, each student gets a different educational experience that allows him to specialize

and build leadership skills, Anderson said.

Frederick M. Link, chairman of the UNL English department, said teaching at a university requires a doctoral degree. The master's degree is a step toward that goal, he said.

Credit toward the advanced degree means a higher pay scale for students who want to teach in public schools. But, Link said, some students pursue their studies for their own enjoyment.

The UNL School of Music presented 27 master's degrees in 1984-85.

Deb Anderson, the school's graduate secretary, said a master's degree in music can mean higher pay for performers, better opportunities for getting booked into touring groups and better opportunities to teach above the elementary level.