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By Merry Hayes Staff Reporter

Members of UNL's Teachers College are using their resources and expertise to meet the in-service needs of Nebraska's school districts through Short Courses on Renewing Educators.

"SCORE will keep the lines of communication open between the university and the schools," said Ron Joekel, associate dean of the college. "It will improve teaching and education for students in Ne-

More than 60 topics, which are designed to improve education, are presented by UNL faculty members who specialize in those areas. The presentations include topics such as student motivation, classroom management and teen-age suicide. "It's a way of bringing people up to date that's not lengthy, costly or consuming," Joekel said.

SCORE, offered for the first time last fall, has made its two-hour presentation at five school districts this year, including a presentation at North Platte, Joekel said.

"We were looking for a good inservice opportunity for our faculty and the SCORE concept matched our needs," said Ivan Kershner, administrative assistant for the North Platte Public Schools.

Don McCurdy, a member of SCORE, said the program "gives you an opportunity to do some of the things you do best.'

The only problem, he said, is the lack of time for a follow-up on presentation information. After the techniques are demonstrated, McCurdy said, teachers have no time to practice the techniques with faculty members.

Child Saving

Dean deems proposal costly Anthony plans to fight design transfer

By Todd von Kampen Senior Reporter

College of Home Economics officials are more worried about the loss of a major program to the College of Architecture than about the college's proposed budget cuts, said Hazel Anthony, home economics dean.

The architecture college's plan to create a department of interior design from architecture and home economics programs wouldn't bring the savings and benefits supporters claim, Anthony said. The proposal, which UNL officials estimate would save \$80,000, could cost the program its accreditation, she

"We've got two things going against us: one, that architecture could propose to take over our largest option without consulting us," she said. "The other is the list we agreed to with the vice chancellor (Robert Furgason)."

UNL officials also proposed eliminating two faculty positions in the college, ending stipend payments for intern dieticians and dropping UNL's community service program. The cuts would save UNL \$62,000 if adopted without changes, officials said.

The Daily Nebraskan reported Tuesday that architecture officials favored consolidation of programs in interior design and construction management over budget cuts totaling \$150,000. Dean Cecil Steward said in a statement last week that creation of a single interior design department would improve students' education and job opportunities by enhancing the program's "professional and academic breadth.'

programs that don't have a home economics base, Anthony said. The collegewide accreditation team that visited UNL two weeks ago, specifically opposed transfer of the interior design program to the architecture college, she said. The interior design program is accredited by the Foundation of Interior Design Education and Research.

"To advance up the professional ladder in this field, accreditation status is terribly important (for graduates)," Anthony said.

UNL is unlikely to save \$80,000 by consolidating interior design offerings, Anthony said. The two colleges' philosophies differ enough that consolidation would change the nature of the courses offered.

"We still would have to have a basic design course for the other majors and a beginning interior design course because it's required," she said.

Transfer of the interior design program also would cost home economics one of its fastest-growing programs, Anthony said. About 200 students have interior design majors, while half of the college's new freshmen enter the program each year, she said.

Students are divided on the consolidation plan, said Mary Beth Prusa, chairman of the college' student advisory board. Although a few students think interior design courses in the architecture college would be more related to their future, others are worried about the possible loss of accreditation, she said.

Many students don't realize the effects of losing accreditation, and many

But accreditation teams frown on others come here just because the program is accredited, said Prusa, a senior consumer and home economics education major from Howells.

> Anthony said elimination of dietician stipends would discourage many interns from coming to UNL. Interns need the stipends because they are not allowed to make any money during the internship, she said. The stipends average about \$2,000 a year for each student.

> Julie Farnsworth-Ritz, an intern last year, said many in her class of 10 had to borrow money for the internship even with the stipend. Although her husband works, single interns needed the stipend to pay for necessities, she said.

"If the stipend wasn't there we would have gone elsewhere," she said.

Elimination of the community service program should have a minimum effects on students, Anthony said. The program, offered jointly with UNO's School of Social Work, trained students to help social workers in such areas as nutrition and child care.

Although the UNL portion of the program will be dropped, Anthony said, students can get the same training by taking electives in a different manner. The budget savings would come from eliminating a part-time instructor who supervised the program's practicums,

Anthony said the college "would survive" if only the proposed budget cuts were enacted. But, she said, the college plans to appeal the transfer of the interior design program because it would be unfair to the college.

"I'll fight them to the end," she said.

Police Report

A drive-through gate on the southwest corner of Memorial Stadium was reported vandalized at 7:04 p.m. Wed- By Kent Endacott

Police say the lock on the gate was broken and the gate had been sprung and knocked off its hinges.

Other incidents reported Wednes-

3:35 a.m. - Wheel and tire reported stolen from car in Parking Area on 19th Street between T and U streets.

8:52 a.m. - Record albums reported stolen from room in Schramm Hall.

from a room in Abel Hall. 8:33 p.m. — Fire reported in the

trash chute at Smith Hall. 8:45 p.m. - Car window reported broken at 1425 R Street.

9:47 p.m. - Vacuum cleaner reported stolen from Bessey Hall.

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Vice Chancellor Yost defends NU research Federal funding for research at NU

Vice Chancellor John Yost said NU is among the finest research institutions in the country and, as such, received its highest level of funding in 1985.

Yost was responding to a National Science Foundation report that places NU 120th among U.S. universities in federal financing for research and

"The National Science Foundation 2:48 p.m. — Cash reported stolen report is somewhat misleading because it considers only a subset of total research funding," Yost said. "If outside funding is considered as well, then NU is in the top 45."

> Yost also noted that NU did not include the research funds received by the UNMC in Omaha in the information for the report.

"If our research funding for the medical center was included, then we would rank much higher," he said.

Six other Big Eight or Midwestern universities ranked above NU in research funding. Colorado is the highest in the group at 21st overall, with \$62.7 million

has continued to increase despite a vacancy at the position of vice chancellor for four years. The position has been unfilled since 1982, when Robert Rutford quit to become president of the University of Texas-Dallas. But the exact increase in funding is not known because of accounting complications, Yost said.

"It's not the vice chancellor of research that gets the grants, it's the faculty proposals that get the grants.

In September, Yost was appointed interim vice chancellor for research and graduate studies.

Faculty Senate President Desmond Wheeler said a decrease in federal funding would hurt the entire university. He said the university depends on the overhead funding accompanying research grants for the maintenance of the library and other programs.

Yost said he hoped legislators will consider the benefits offered by research at NU when considering the university's budget this spring.

"I am confident the legislators and in research funds. Nebraska received citizens will realize the advantages \$23.2 million in 1984, the latest year in university research provides towards which comparison figures are available. the economic development of the state."

CFA hopes fund increase will bring better speakers

By Diana Johnson Senior Reporter

Big-name speakers would be more likely to visit UNL if a recommended increase in the University Program Council Talks and Topics program is approved, said members of the Committee for Fees Allocation.

A proposed budget increase from \$19,815 to \$20,950 for the Talks and Topics program was approved by CFA Tuesday in an 18-2 vote.

The proposal now must be approved by ASUN and Chancellor Martin request, which totals \$98,484. Massengale.

not meet the standards of most universities' speaker programs, it would help to attract more well-known speakers to

In other matters, CFA decreased UPC's support of UNL's Homecoming Committee in a majority vote.

John Bacon, CFA chairman, said the budget decrease of \$400 will lower UPC support to \$1,500. This, he said, "will encourage (the committee) to seek more corporate sponsorship.'

ASUN President Gerard Keating also presented the 1986-87 ASUN budget

ASUN's budget and Nebraska State CFA member Jerry Romer said that Student Association's budget will be although the budget increase would discussed during a hearing Feb. 27.



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