

Young, old share NU experience

By Brandon Loomis
Senior Reporter

Younger students are beginning to feel more comfortable sharing classrooms with students old enough to be their parents, the president of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Adult Student Network said.

Andy Gueck, a 38-year-old pre-med student, said non-traditional students are finding comfort in numbers. He defined non-traditional students as undergraduates 25 and older.

"We are a minority in this environment, but we're growing," Gueck said.

Although the Office of Institutional Research has no accurate count of non-traditional students on campus, Deanna Eversoll, director of evening programs, said non-traditional enrollment in night courses has increased.

Evening enrollment is at 1,097 this spring, up 9 percent from last spring, she said.

Gueck said the total current non-traditional enrollment is about 2,500.

In the past, younger students didn't like having older students in class, he said, because older students tend to ask all the questions.

Fran Thompson, a 39-year-old sophomore in sociology, said she shouldn't have to feel uncomfortable asking questions, because that is what she pays tuition for.

"Someone actually told me... the non-traditional students should keep their mouths shut," Thompson said.

But, Gueck said, fewer members

of his organization have heard statements like that lately, because younger students are learning that older students are adding to classes, not detracting from them.

Because they are too shy to ask questions for themselves, Gueck said he thinks a lot of the students "like to have us ask the questions for them." The Adult Student Network is a support group helping students with both emotional and administrative problems, Gueck said.

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"The younger undergraduate has a support group in the campus community, but the older student goes home when class is done," he said.

Gueck said the organization changed its name from the Non-Traditional Student Association this year, "because 'non' is a negative word."

The group provides speakers, information about classes, and has weekly meetings.

"Ninety percent of what we do is social interaction," Gueck said.

Most non-traditional students need encouragement to stay in school, he said, because they have a hard time balancing jobs, family and school.

"We have necessary jobs rather than jobs of convenience," he said.

Rachel Loyd, a 54-year-old sophomore in human development and family, said the support group has given her the courage to continue her education.

"If it weren't for all this interaction, I would have quit," Loyd said.

Loyd, a beautician with a family, said she has taken as many as nine credits per semester in the past while working full time.

"I'm looking forward to the day when I can take 12 credits," she said, but outside responsibilities won't allow that yet.

Gueck said older students, who have had steady paying jobs for years, suddenly find themselves with little or no spending cash when they start paying tuition.

"I haven't been out to eat since before Christmas," he said.

The group lets those students know that others are in the same situation, he said, and that better jobs are waiting for experienced college graduates.

"Most of us are either going for a career for the first time or making a major career change," Gueck said. "It's a little scary."

A survey sent to all non-traditional students found that although there is still some concern about the university's sensitivity to older students, things are getting better all the time, Gueck said.

"Now we just have to take care of the parking problem on campus."

Class sizes back to normal

By Roger Price
Staff Reporter

The cold weather did not impair attendance at University of Nebraska-Lincoln classes Monday as dramatically it did last Friday, according to some UNL professors.

With windchills plummeting to nearly 60 degrees below zero Friday, many UNL students decided to skip class.

Glenn Sowell, visiting assistant professor in the physics department, said only 60 to 66 percent of his students were present Friday, but attendance was back to normal Monday.

The same trend held true in the chemistry department. James Carr, an associate chemistry professor, said that while attendance was low Friday, it was back up on Monday.

Martha Webb, assistant professor of history, said twice as many students as normal missed her History 100 exam Friday.

In the Keller Plan sections of Psychology 181, testing was down about 50 to 70 percent, according to Mark Waller, a teaching assistant with the program.

Bob Micwald, a political science professor, estimated that at

least 75 out of the 220 students in his Political Science 100 class were absent Friday. Micwald said he does not plan on doing anything to punish those that were absent because it was an "unreasonable weather situation."

Micwald said he received many calls from students whose cars wouldn't start Friday.

Beth Williams, office manager for the Cornhusker Motor Club, estimated that towing requests handled through her agency were up at least 50 percent Friday due to the cold.

The cold weather also had a negative effect on other aspects of weather life.

Joe Selig, UNL ticket manager, said he felt that attendance at Saturday night's basketball game was "definitely impacted by the weather."

Selig said that 9,200 attended the game while season ticket sales numbered 11,000.

The National Weather Service predicted Monday afternoon that the cold weather would continue until Friday when it should warm up to the mid-to-upper 20s. Temperatures should remain in the teens and 20s throughout the weekend and following week.

Short-term loans more available

By Brandon Loomis
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After discontinuing its book voucher service last fall, the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid has loosened requirements for short-term loans to students without cash for books at the beginning of each semester.

John Beacon, director of the office, said the vouchers, which allowed students to buy books on credit until grant refunds arrived, took time and effort away from the processing of financial aid.

"At the time of year when we're the very busiest, it (the service) meant dedicating staff to that function," he said.

Anticipating that some students would be unable to afford books without vouchers, Beacon said, the office allowed students to take out loans without the usual individual repayment counseling. Instead, students were given counseling in large groups.

In September 1988, 495 students took short-term loans, up from 354 in September 1987, when book vouchers were available.

During spring 1988, the last semester of the service, 485 students used book vouchers.

Beacon said the office also had planned to get refunds to students earlier than in the past, so students could use them to buy books within the first two weeks of classes. But in the fall, the office was busy breaking in a new computer system, he said, and refunds were delayed.

In the past, students have generally waited eight weeks for refunds, he said.

Because of illnesses in the Office of Student Accounts, refunds also

Ojikuto said center needs increase to combat inflation

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Ojikuto said the increase is necessary because of inflation.

The budget does call for an almost 31 percent reduction in the center's expenditure for printing costs, Ojikuto said.

This year's printing request is for \$25,000, down from \$36,045 for 1988-89.

Ojikuto said the printing reduction came because of a new copying machine that allows the center to do much of its own printing instead of relying on an outside printing shop.

have been delayed from this semester's target date of Jan. 23, Beacon said.

Bob Clark, director of student accounts, said he was recently out with the flu, which delayed approval of the refunds.

"If I was going to point my wicked finger at someone, I'd point it right at myself," he said.

The first refunds were sent to students at the end of last week.

In future semesters, students should have their refunds in time to buy books, Clark said.

"If we don't have them out sometime during the first week next semester, I'm going to be very unhappy."

In the meantime, Beacon said, needy students can use loans to buy books. Short-term loans, although they have an annual charge of 9 percent, serve practically the same purpose as book vouchers, he said.

"Three vouchers of 1 percent per month is not a bad deal," he said.

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