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Nothing up his sleeve

Chancellor Graham Spanier performs some parlor magic during the E-week talent show Monday evening at the Nebraska Union Ballroom. Sponsored by the College of Engineering, E-week features an openhouse Friday and Saturday at Nebraska Hall and the Walter Scott Engineering Center to show student and faculty works in the engineering department.

Multicultural series continues

From Staff Reports

The Theology for Lunch program will feature the third in a series of discussions on "The Multicultural Vision: Promises and Provocations" on Friday from noon to 1 p.m. in the Nebraska Union.

Lapham's article, "Who and What is American?" The article was printed in the January 1992 issue of Harper's. Robert Stock, an English professor at UNL, and Keith Parker, an assistant professor of sociology, will respond to the paper.

The brown-bag lunch program is open to the public.

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Admissions

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such as calculus.

• Have ACT composite scores of 20 or be in the top half of their graduating classes.

• Or be granted admission by review, either unconditionally or with course-deficiency requirements or conditional admission.

Most students score 20 on the ACT or graduate in the top half of their classes, Hilliard said, but for those who do not meet these requirements, alternate routes are available.

For example, he said, a student would have the option of completing 12 hours with a grade point average of C or above at a junior college. Then he or she could attend UNL.

Hilliard said the requirements for courses such as foreign language and mathematics might not be changed as dramatically as some people might think.

"In the future, many of the areas

will be the same as now," he said. "Students will still be admitted but will have to make up any deficiencies they may have."

The decision to recommend raising standards was made after considering several drawbacks and benefits of the action, Hilliard said.

The report lists several reasons why UNL might consider keeping its status as an essentially open-admissions university.

For example, the report says, UNL is the only institution in Nebraska offering certain curricula.

Also, cultural diversity at the university might suffer if special efforts are not made to attract and retain more minority students.

However, the report lists several reasons for changing admissions standards.

Hilliard said the committee decided the benefits outweighed the possible drawbacks.

For example, the report says, students who score low on the ACT or

who graduate at the bottom half of their classes have a high attrition rate, and UNL has limited resources to help those students succeed.

Lower-scoring students may have their motivation thwarted in the highly competitive atmosphere at UNL, according to the report. They actually may find it easier to fit into the environment of a smaller regional school.

The report also says that less-able students may drag the rest of the class down or have a negative influence on the learning environment.

In addition, an open-admissions policy generally is a negative factor in building positive perceptions of an institution's quality.

In other words, the report states, students may look at UNL and think, "Anybody can get in there."

Rhino

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baluchithere could be moved outside onto a flatbed truck.

After the replica arrived in Gering, it was placed inside the museum's new 2,000-square-foot addition. The museum planned ahead by leaving off one wall of the addition to accommodate the replica.

The replica was moved in, and then the east wall of the building was completed, he said.

Steen said he was especially excited by the possibilities the replica presented for school children.

"Thousands of school children from the area will get to see it, and it will add so much to the educational experience of these children," he said.

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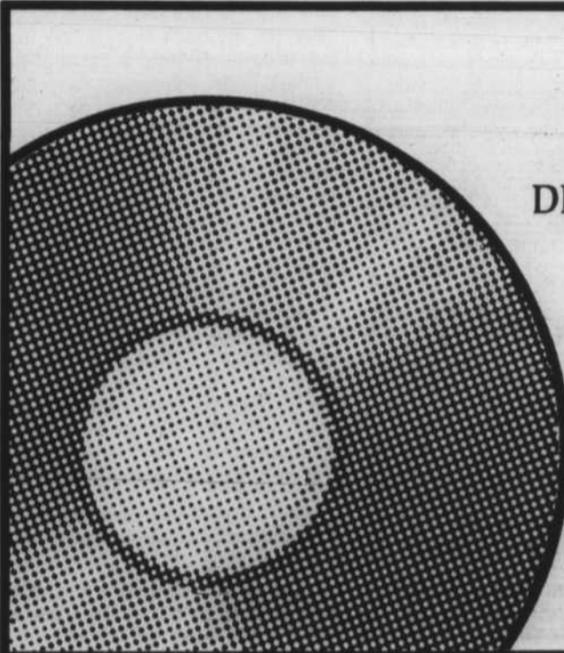
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