

Students pay more for education as lab fees increase

Changes made for 57 classes, may occur again

By Chris Hain
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Purchasing supplies for his intermediate drawing class is hard enough for Robb Blum. But this year, he will have to pay \$15 more in laboratory fees than he would have last year for the same class — Art 201. The lab fees for the class are higher because last semester the university raised or added lab fees to 57 classes for the 1993-94 academic year. "It makes it that much harder to buy supplies," said Blum, a sophomore art major from Bellevue. The art, art history and mechanical engineering departments have had the most classes with lab fee changes. Art will have 14, and mechanical engineering will have 11. Joseph Ruffo, art department chairman, said many factors could make a department ask for lab fee

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increases. A department could request an increase if its budget has a shortfall for course materials or if the cost of materials increases, Ruffo said. Blum said he wanted to know where the money from the increased lab fees was going. "I haven't seen too many materials," Blum said. "I guess I'm a little skeptical." David Brinkerhoff, associate vice chancellor for academic affairs, said the process for assessing lab fees was student-oriented. After a department requests an increase, a committee of three faculty members and two students must approve the request, Brinkerhoff said. Every course is reviewed individually, he said, and not all requests are approved. The committee turned

down requests for lab fee increases for 30 courses, he said. Eight courses were approved at a lower level than requested. "It's a very selective process," Brinkerhoff said. The members of the committee were George Sturgeon of the chemistry department, Al Romero of the School of Music, David Fowler of the Teachers College and student representatives Michelle Pfeiffer and Doug Stobbe. In considering increases, Brinkerhoff said the committee tried to avoid sticking students with any unnecessary increases. Brinkerhoff said this year's changes represented the kind of minor adjustments that probably would be made every year.

Lab Fee Changes

Course	Lab Fee Changes			
	93-94	94-95		
Advertising 489		30	CRP 990	15 25
Arch 824		25	Geology 102	10 20
Art 201	10	25	Geology 869	10 20
Art 221	5	15	Management 198D	15 25
Art 222	5	15	Math 221	15 15
Art 263	35	50	Mech Engr 311	15 20
Art 275		10	Mech Engr 340	10 15
Art 301	10	25	Mech Engr 342	10 15
Art 302	10	25	Mech Engr 401	15 20
Art 321	5	15	Mech Engr 443/843	10 15
Art 322	5	15	Mech Engr 445/845	15 20
Art 324	5	15	Mech Engr 446	10 15
Art 401	10	25	Mech Engr 447	10 15
Art 402	10	25	Mech Engr 450/850	15 20
Art 421	5	15	Mech Engr 452/852	15 20
Art 422	10	15	Mech Engr 480	15 20
Bio Sci 109	10	20	MechSystMgt 354	10 10
Bio Sci 112	10	20	Met Engr 360	15 20
Bio Sci 911		30	Met Engr 461/861	15 20
Bio Sci 913		30	Nutri Sci 469	15 15
Civil Engr 252		15	Nutri Sci 473	10 10
CRP 431/831	15	25	Nutri Sci 474	55 55
CRP 810	15	25	Nutri Sci 973	10 10
CRP 824	15	25	Physics 441/841	10 30
CRP 830	15	25	Physics 442/842	10 30
CRP 840	15	25	Physics 443/843	10 30
CRP 911	15	25	Theatre 420/820	20 20
			Theatre 398/898	50 50
			Theatre 398/898	25 25
			Theatre 402/802	15 15

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Greeks keep rush fair

By Jamie Karl
Staff Reporter

Dirty rushing was not a problem for fraternities or sororities this year, greek affairs officials said. Joel Weber, assistant interfraternity rush chair, said fraternity summer rush was monitored tightly, and only a few violations were reported. "But even after extensive investigation," Weber said, "nothing major ever surfaced. It was a relatively clean rush." Rush is the process by which fraternities and sororities select new members. Rush violations would include using alcohol during rush parties or portraying another organization negatively. Mary Ann Holland, secretary for greek affairs, said no violations were filed with the Interfraternity Council Arbitration Board. "Most reported violations are strict-

ly rumors in nature," Holland said. "But once you sit down and explain what happened, things are cleared up." Jayne Wade Anderson, director of greek affairs, said hazing was a top concern this year for students going through rush and for their parents. "I did all 22 sessions of NSE (New Student Enrollment) and had no more questions on hazing this year than I have had year after year," Anderson said. "But I did have many questions and discussion on alcohol abuse." Anderson said concern didn't translate into fewer numbers of students pledging greek organizations. The number of men who went through rush decreased from 630 last year to about 600 this year, she said. But the number of men pledging fraternities increased to 464, from 452 last year. Holland said 550 women registered for rush and 419 pledged sororities.

ROAD TO NOWHERE



Damon Lee/DN

Neihardt Residence Center, Pound Residence Hall and Chi Omega Sorority residents may be wondering if their addresses have changed. This street sign was put up between the three residences sometime before school started, and no one seems to know why. The sign indicates Parallel and Center Hill roads, but no actual roads are there. In fact, the two roads don't exist in Lincoln.

Needed greenhouse repairs include replacing exterior covers

By Amy Taylor
Staff Reporter

A proposed project on East Campus calls for the renovation of four of the 26 greenhouses located between Dead Man's Run and East Campus Loop. The four greenhouses badly need repairs, said Tom Johnson, facilities coordinator at the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources. Their outer skins have deteriorated so much that they can no longer trans-

mit light properly, he added. The planned renovation project includes replacing the outside coverings and interior partitions, upgrading the mechanical systems, modifying the venting and cooling systems and installing new fans. The project is expected to begin April 1 and to be finished by Aug. 15, 1995. It will cost \$595,000. Once the renovations are completed, two of the greenhouses will be used by the department of agronomy and field

crop research, and one will be used by the horticulture department for horticultural crops, Johnson said. The remaining greenhouse will be used for disease research by the department of plant pathology. Sam Shafer of the agronomy department said the greenhouses would house various plants, including flowers, vegetables and turf grass. The greenhouses would also mainly be used by graduate students and professors for research purposes such as plant breeding.

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