

# Classes need culture-weaving

Education agenda requires core courses for all nine colleges

By Becky Keasing  
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Infusing issues such as race, gender and ethics into all classes at UNL was the main topic of Monday's discussion dealing with the Comprehensive Education Program.

The discussion, "Dialogue with Faculty on Cultural Encounters," brought together six faculty members to talk about the importance of expanding the university's cross-cultural program.

The Comprehensive Education Program, scheduled to begin in the fall, will provide uniform core require-

ments for the nine undergraduate colleges.

All six speakers attended a conference in New Orleans in March. During that conference, faculty members from various universities and colleges were split into study groups. Each study group explored a different aspect of intercultural education.

Ed Nemeth, an educational psychology professor who attended the conference, said UNL needed to increase the number of cultural programs and study-abroad programs available.

"There is a tremendous need for this because students need to experience different cultures from within," he said.

Barbara Trout, associate professor of clothing, textiles and design, agreed that students needed to discover culture for themselves. A race, gender

and ethics course will be offered next year, she said. She also said she would try to implement these issues into her textile and design classes.

"My main goal in teaching in the intercultural style is to get students to track their own cultural background and self-identity," Trout said. "I hope that students will travel from ethnocentric to ethno-relative."

Another topic of discussion was the plan to require UNL students to take nine hours of cultural and global classes. This idea has faced much resistance at UNL, said Venita Kelley, professor of African studies and communications.

"When I started teaching African studies here, the students were not prepared for it emotionally or intellectually," Kelley said. "I have learned to work at a slower pace and be more indirect so I do not terrify students."

# Exit session required for students with loans

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Federal Stafford Loan, unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loan, Federal Perkins Loan or Federal Supplemental Loan for Students (SLS).

Students with federal student loans who are receiving degrees from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in May must fulfill exit requirements with the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid.

If students fail to attend a session, holds will be placed on their academic transcripts, diplomas and any future registration at UNL.

Federal regulations require all graduating students to attend exit presentations if they received one of the following forms of assistance:

The exit sessions will be held in the City Union today at 12:30 p.m. and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 9 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 4 p.m. each day. Room locations will be posted each day in the union.

Topics of discussions will include repayment options for students with loans, deferment provisions, grace periods and consequences of default.

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# Tax deadline worries some, causes lines

By Julie Sobczyk  
Staff Reporter

Curbside bins and lines of cars outside Lincoln post offices marked the deadline to file taxes Monday.

The Main Post Office, 700 R St., had extended window hours and curbside service Monday for people rushing to meet the deadline.

Don Williams, manager of the Main Post Office, said there was nothing out of the ordinary about Monday's rush to get tax forms in the mail.

"It's a typical last day," Williams said.

But, Williams said, it might have been slower than in years past because the deadline was extended to April 17.

"Some people didn't realize they had an extra day and rushed to get them in earlier," he said.

Some UNL students who didn't finish their taxes early were under pressure to get their tax forms in the mail.

Van Nguyen, a junior pre-dentistry major, said he had a lot of pressure to finish his taxes.

"I was worried," Nguyen said. "I called my friend from work to help me do them."

One reason he put off doing his taxes was because he wasn't getting a refund, Nguyen said.

"I have to pay \$45, so I waited until the last day," he said.

Matt Sprague, a senior marketing major, said he put his taxes off, but wasn't worried about the deadline.

"I've got it easy," Sprague said. "It should only take me about five minutes. That's all it ever takes me."

Sprague said he waited until the

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**FRANK WATKINS**  
Post office employee

last minute to file his taxes because he had been out of town and did not have his forms available.

Traveling was also the reason Reginald Robinson of Lincoln put off doing his taxes.

"I do a lot of traveling, so it's inconvenient for me to get the information I need to mail my taxes before the deadline," Robinson said.

Frank Watkins, an employee of the Main Post Office, worked outside along the curbside Monday, taking envelopes from people rushing to meet the deadline.

"We've been really busy, but it will probably get worse before we finish at midnight," Watkins said.

Most of the people dropping off their forms did not seem to be too stressed out about meeting the deadline, he said.

"All the people I've greeted have been friendly and smiling," he said. "Some were even joking about getting their forms in at the last minute."

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