

Standards won't affect test's status

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the four scores are averaged together for a composite. The highest possible score is 36. UNL requires a score of 20 for admission.

The SAT has two sections, math and verbal, each with a possible score of 800. The two scores are combined for the final score, the best being 1600. UNL applicants must have a 950 to be accepted. A 29 on the ACT is roughly equivalent to a 1300 SAT,

Hayden said.

Over the years, the ACT grew in popularity. Today, the two tests are used equally — half the states favor the ACT and the other half favor the SAT. About 1 million students take the ACT and one million take the SAT.

Nebraska started accepting SAT scores in 1986, Schmidt said, to try to make UNL more accessible to out-of-state students who have more access to SAT tests in their state.

The tests seem to be moving closer to each other in content, but they still have different formats.

Only a handful of colleges — namely Wake Forest, University of North Carolina, and the California Institute of Technology — still require an SAT score, Hayden said. It's a myth that you can't go to a good school with an ACT, he said.

"You can go to any Ivy League school with an ACT."

Professor to U.S. history to help Australian societies

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lots of angles," Wunder said.

Wunder will bring his expertise and experience to Australia, but he will also make contacts with scholars from other nations, said Brian Foster, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

He also said Wunder's invitation is important not only to the Center for Great Plains Studies, but also to scholars like Wunder who gain the chance to maintain their productivity and visibility while making contacts in the international community.

"An awful lot of what the center is about is making contact with scholars all over the world," he said.

Foster said the center is unique because it not only links departments on UNL's campus, but also links the university to the Nebraska community.

"The center is the most important single academic reflection of place, of its location in Nebraska," he said.

Wunder said the center tries to provide a way for students and faculty to learn about the Great Plains by working with people across the university

campuses.

"We try to get some people together who don't ordinarily get together," he said.

He said the center sponsors conferences, seminars and speakers on campus, such as the recent discussion on earthquakes in the Midwest.

The center also publishes two academic journals: Great Plains Quarterly, which covers the humanities, and Great Plains Research, a journal dedicated to the social and natural sciences in the Great Plains, he said.

Wunder said the center sponsors the Great Plains art collection in Love Library and is working on a Great Plains Encyclopedia, which is expected to be completed by the year 2000.

"Things are generally popping," he said.

"The Great Plains Center is one of those areas Nebraska has excelled in," Wunder said. "It does so well because of the common interests of everyone. The result equals something unique and special."

North Korea shuns peace plans

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Korea lost its sovereignty to Japan in 1910. After World War II, Korea regained its sovereignty, only to be caught in the Cold War between the United States and the Soviet Union.

The 38th parallel became the dividing line between the Republic of Korea and the communist north.

On June 25, 1950, the Korean War started.

Park was a little boy, spending a quiet

Sunday with his family when the radio reports told of the start of the war.

Three years later the war ended.

After the Americans gave 60,000 of their young men, Park said, they started giving to South Korea's economy.

Through the decades, South Korea has prospered on the road to democracy, Park said, but the road has not been easy.

Now, South Korea is a major economic trading partner for the United States, Park said.

"We enjoy the importation of American goods and you enjoy the importation of Korean goods," he said. To be specific, Park said, \$126 million in Nebraska goods have gone to South Korea in the last year.

Park said he had enjoyed his stay in Nebraska and wanted to stay longer.

"This is a real opportunity to let me know about Nebraska, the University of Nebraska and the people of Nebraska," he said. "I just envy these young Korean students."



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