Planning for careers a priority at Delaware

DOVER, Del. — To assist the student in the formulation of his career plans, Delaware State College has a staff of professional placement counselors.

The counselors are also available for consultation concerning specific employment opportunities.

This service is available to all regularly enrolled students, evening school students, and alumni. Included in the service is the on-campus interview program, vocational interest testing, and individual counseling for all students.

More than 300 representatives of industry, business, government agencies, service organizations and school systems interview seniors in the placement center.

Additionally, the Placement Center assists student in communicating with employers who do not conduct campus interviews.

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The Career Planning and Placement Center maintains a reference library of over 600 volumes of occupational literature for use by all students early in their college lives.

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It also encourages students to explore career planning, personal and educational requirements for jobs and employment trends. This is an attempt to integrate the student's academic pursuits with his career objectives.

The Delaware State College National Alliance of Business Cluster is committed to action. NABC brings together representatives from business, industry and institutions.

The main thrust of the cluster program is to initiate, develop and expand the cooperative relationship with the business community. This marriage is to help graduates to compete for private sector jobs.

As a result, the prospect for advancement to higher positions of professional and executive responsibility increases.

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Approximately 40 industries are represented in the Cluster. Committee consisting of administrators, faculty, students and industry are committed to:

Increase emphasis on selling liberal arts graduates to industry

Explore a more timely forecast of the job market

Make clear to individuals as to where the jobs are

Expand the co-op program

Provide lecturers from industry

Determine the computer needs at Delaware State College to accommodate accounts, records and admissions

To work on a faculty endowment fund.

The Accounting Discipline, a new major at Delaware State College, is a cooperative educational program with industry and government.

Formal cooperative programs exist with the U.S. Civil Service, Dover Air Force Base, General Motors Corporation and U.S. Internal Revenue Service.

In these programs, a student fills the job position with the company for a semester. The student is paid the going salary for his position. Upon graduation, the individual has the opportunity to move into the full-time position of the agency.

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Delaware State College and the Philadelphia Regional Office of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation have entered into a co-operative agreement to develop bank examiners.

While co-oping with FDIC, the students are assigned to a field examining team and are exposed to various phases of band supervision and operations.

In January '75, Delaware State College began its degree program in nursing. The purpose of the nursing curriculum is to create an innovative approach to nursing education for potential students, not being served or reached by intellectual programs.

The programs are geared to both the academically gifted and the academically disadvantaged.

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In cooperation with the University of Delaware the chemistry department prepares students for professional careers in engineering, administration, chemical, civil, electrical and mechanical engineering.

The cooperative engineering program also prepares students to enter graduate programs leading to advance degrees in engineering.

September '75, Delaware State College will offer a bachelor or technology degree. This program provides the opportunity for recipients of the associate degree from the Delaware Technical and Community College to earn bachelor degrees.

Aurelia Harris proves agriculture for women

PINE BLUFF, Ark. — Aurelia B. Harris, University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, assistant professor of agricultural economics, is helping make her field attractive to other women.

When she was seeking her master's at the University of Florida in Gainesville, she was the only woman in the department.

Not a country girl, her inexperience in agriculture and her gender made her the subject of much teasing by her male counterparts.

She gained their respect when they found out she was making better grades than most of them.

And today in professional circles, Miss Harris says she finds that men do take her seriously. "Most men treat me like a lady, but they also listen to my ideas," she explains.

Currently at Pine Bluff, she is actively making a woman in agricultural no longer such an oddity.

Elzadia and Edna Washington, sisters from Proctor, Ark., are studying under Miss Harris. Edna is a senior; Elzadia a junior.

Miss Harris feels the Washington sisters have potentially bright futures.

"Agriculture, compared to other industries right now, is still providing job opportunities, especially for women, and most especially for black women," she said. "We're still a novelty in the profession."

Professor Harris is the only woman in her field in the state and one of only a handful in the country.

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She came to Pine Bluff last October to work with a $136,500 research project concerned with farmers supply cooperatives. The project, funded by the Department of Agriculture's Cooperative State Research Service, involves rural persons in 24 counties in the state's delta region.

The 26-year-old economist says she leaves Pine Bluff many times as early as 5 a.m. to visit rural areas and talk with people about their attitudes toward supply cooperatives.

The research project, "Farmers Evaluation of Management Practices of Farmer Supply Cooperative in Arkansas," is geared to find out what rural persons have to say about the merchandizing techniques of the cooperatives. The results, it is hoped, will lead to recommendations for improved services.

Occasionally, says Miss Harris, people are leary of a woman asking questions about farm or rural related issues. But generally, she says, the response has been very good.

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ATLANTA — Morris Brown sophomore Rufus Cross has been selected to receive the United Negro College Fund's Emmet D. Fowler Scholarship for the 1974-75 school year in Church Organ and Choir Study.

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FUNERAL LEAVE PAY. Pay to a worker, usually for a limited period such as up to 3 days, for time lost because of the death and funeral of a member of the worker's immediate family.

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HOURLY RATE. Usually, the rate of pay, expressed in dollars and cents per hour, for workers paid on a time basis.

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College wages war against rats

ORANGEBURG, S.C. — Rats have become an increasing menace to the public environment according to studies and reports made by state and federal officials.

The 1890 Extension Program which is coordinated at South Carolina State College in cooperation with Clemson University and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, has taken steps to control widespread rat population in South Carolina.

"Rat and mouse prevention and control is a year-round task," said C. A. Brown of State College, the district coordinator of the 1890 program who is heading up the rat control project. Dr. R. L. Hurst, director of research, planning and extension at the college, is the coordinator of the 1890 Program.

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According to Brown, rat and mouse prevention and control has been implemented for four South Carolina counties — Chesterfield, Marlboro, Hampton and Georgetown. The project is being conducted in three phases.

Brown indicated the two species of rats that cause most damage in South Carolina are the Norway (sewer rat) and the Alexandrine (black rat). Another pest is the house mouse which prefers the environment, food, water and shelter as that used by humans.

He said although there is some movement of these species, it is not a mass movement that results in premises becoming heavily infested overnight.

Reports show from one pair of rats, a progency of 350 million can be produced within a three-year period. The report, made by state and federal entomologists, wildlife biologists and health officials, also show that rats cost those Americans that house them more than $20 a head per year, due to property damage, food contamination and combating the diseases they spread.

Recent reports place the rat population in South Carolina at two million, costing the state over $40 million each year.

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The housing and living conditions of most low-income people furnish the most desirable environment for the production and maintenance of the rat species mentioned earlier, according to Brown.

With cooperation from local and county health departments and other county officials, the 1890 Extension personnel conduct rat-control programs in the needed areas of the four counties.

Anticoagulant poison bait is being obtained through local health departments in the amount to effectively kill rats in family homes and other known rat-infested places.

The baiting for kills is started in early December and continued through mid-February. This anticoagulant poison bait, when used as prescribed, produces little or no damage to animals, poultry or humans, explained Brown.

The 1890 Program leaders, local county agents' offices and the health departments in the respective counties have set a five-year goal to perfect county-wide rat and mouse control.

The program was launched in the fall of 1972 in Chesterfield County. The project got under way in Hampton County in 1973 and was begun in the other two counties a year later.

Chapter in book

ATLANTA — A chapter entitled "Urban Planning in Zambia" and authored by Morris Brown, professor Dr. Norman C. Rothman, department of history, will be included in a book, Urban Planning in Africa.

Bennett student defeats handicap

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Dena Warren is a very special person on the campus of Bennett College. She is one of the most delightful young ladies you would want to meet. Born under the sign of Gemini, she is a very independent person who has a very good idea of who she is and where she wants to go.

"I'm depending on Bennett to help me get to where I want to go," she smiles. Dena is a victim of cerebral palsy.

A freshman from Washington, D.C., she is very optimistic about life. She sets a fine example for everyone on campus, not that she tries to, but because it is her very nature. She realizes the importance of Bennett's liberal arts education and its emphasis on studies for women.

"Dena's the most strong willed person that I know," stated Joyce Bass, another

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"We tell her, Dena, you can't go there or you must take it easy. But she does it anyway."

Despite her handicap, Dena has conquered the fears of making it in the outside world.

Engineering plan offers incentive

NEW YORK — Minority Introduction to Engineering, MITE, is a two-week summer program designed to motivate minority students to consider engineering as a possible career.

The Engineers' Council for Professional Development (ECPD), as part of its guidance effort, has secured funds from RCA, E. I. duPont de Nemours and Company, IBM, Eastman Kodak, Olin Company Charitable Trust and others to support several programs of 40 students each at various engineering colleges across the nation in 1974.

A typical MITE program is a two-week, in-depth, on campus exposure to engineering for minorities entering their senior year of high school.

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ECPD is seeking to expand MITE, establishing 50 centers across the next 3 to 5 years.

MITE represents a minimum of 2,000 minority students a year being personally exposed to engineering.

Additional introduction of students as well as members of their families and high school faculties occurs through participants' contacts when returning to school.

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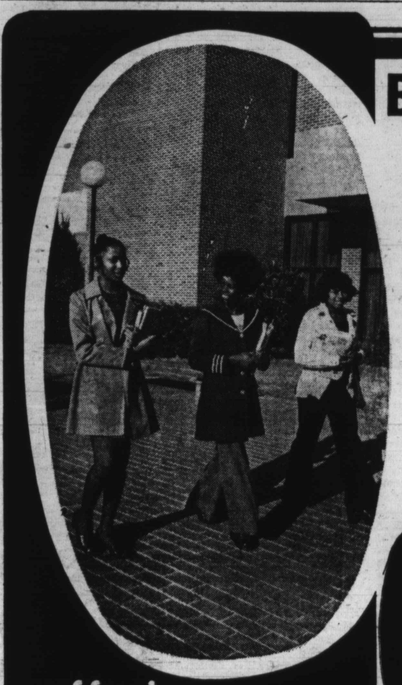
One might ask if 2,000 minority students a year is significant. Indeed, it must be significant when viewed against the present output of approximately 600 engineers.

Even with 50 per cent retention, 2,000 entering freshman would imply a yearly output of 1,000 minority engineers.

These 1,000 would be a lower bound to the increase of minority engineers resulting from MITE when peer group motivation is realized.



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