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Teachers study 'Capitalism'

Twenty-six elementary and secondary teachers have been studying the American economic system during an American Capitalism Seminar which closes today at Marshall University.

Sponsored by MU's College of Education and College of Business through funding from the Marshall Foundation, the three-week seminar was designed to enhance the public school offerings in economic education and on the United States' economy, according to Dr. Mahlon C. Brown, MU professor of social studies and seminar director.

"If we can expand the teacher's personal understanding of how our economic system works, then that teacher becomes much more effective in the classroom," Brown said. "Our ultimate goal is the improvement of the public's knowledge of economics."

In addition to Brown and MU assistant professor of accounting Neil Atkins, seminar assistant director, the program's faculty included representatives from business, labor, government and education.

"This program is really a very creative educational venture interweaving the academic and business/labor sectors," Brown added.

Field trips to the John Ames Plant, Huntington Alloys, Inc., the First Huntington National Bank, Ashland Oil, Inc., and Balneo Glass were scheduled also.

Program offers students 'insight'

Four area high school seniors and one college freshman are participating in a 10-week program in the Marshall University Chemistry Department.

The Research Project Program, sponsored by Huntington Alloys, Inc., Ashland Petroleum Co. and the American Chemical Society, is designed to give "promising high school students an insight into chemical research," according to Dr. James Douglas, chairman of the Marshall Chemistry Department.

The students are Susan Klapore, Vinson High; Jeanie Ray, Huntington High; Grace Simmons, Buffalo High of Wayne; Mark Smith, Stacey High Central High, and Stacher Walth, a recent graduate of Huntington High who will be attending Oberlin College this fall.

Each student is working under the direction of a faculty member. Projects include building and programming computers, determination of trace contamination in the Ohio River and synthetic research in organic chemistry.

Coordinator terms

Elderhostel success

"Very successful" is how Dr. Richard Comfort, professor of sociology, described the two Elderhostel programs held on Marshall's campus this summer, July 8-13.

Comfort serves as the campus coordinator for Elderhostel, a national program drawing persons over 60 years old to some 300 college university campuses. Marshall is one of seven schools in West Virginia offering the program which is partially federally funded.


Course work included "Living in the Appalachian Area," taught by Dr. Karen Li. Simpikes, assistant professor of sociology/anthropology; "American History," taught by Dr. Charles Mofat, professor-emeritus of history and "Creative Use of Leisure Time," taught by Comfort.

Field trips and tours were included in the activities. Under the performing arts activities, the groups heard a performance of "Private Lives." According to Comfort, the students have participated in 20 Elderhostel programs nationally and Marshall's was the best "in terms of professors and program content and coordination."

Fall implementation seen

BOR approves doctoral program

A new, interdisciplinary Doctor of Philosophy degree in Biomedical Sciences will be offered this fall at Marshall University jointly by the Marshall and West Virginia University graduate schools.

Approved by the West Virginia Board of Regents Tuesday, July 10, the joint doctoral program is the first of its kind to be offered on the MU campus, according to Dr. Paul D. Stewart, MU Graduate School dean.

The new program will provide advanced educational opportunities for students interested in becoming research scientists or teachers in the basic science areas of biocelency, physiology, pharmacology, microbiology and anatomy, the dean said.

"The new program not only benefits potential students, but it also enhances the recruitment of quality faculty by providing them opportunities to engage in effective research in partnership with graduate students," said Dr. Robert W. Coon, vice president for health sciences. "The continued stimulation of a research program, coupled with effective teaching, will result in a stronger undergraduate program in biomedical sciences as a base for the Ph.D. program."

A cooperative education effort between Marshall and West Virginia University, the courses will be taught primarily by members of Marshall's medical school basic sciences faculty, who hold faculty appointments at WVU.

"Although we will begin admitting students to the program this fall, there are several administrative details and operational procedures which will be worked out as we go along," Stewart said.

After a three-year period, the program will be reviewed by both schools. "This trial period is standard for any new program at West Virginia University," explained Dr. Frederick Lotspeich, MU Biochemistry Department chairman, who is coordinating the Ph.D. program on Marshall's campus.

During the initial three years, three candidates may be admitted each year to the doctoral program.

"Actually the joint doctoral program is an extension of Marshall's own Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences degree program which was initiated in Fall 1977," Lotspeich said. Two students were graduated this spring from the master's level program and five currently are enrolled in it, the department head noted.

"We will be using Marshall's master's program in biomedical science as a base for the Ph.D. program," Lotspeich said. After completing an appropriate M.S. degree program, students planning to pursue the doctoral degree may be required to complete additional course work before taking the examination for candidacy into the Ph.D. program.

Once admitted to candidacy, the student will take additional courses and, under the supervision of his research committee, select a research project for doctoral work. The dissertation. Each candidate's research committee will be composed of six members with two of these members to be appointed by the WVU Graduate School dean.
that we assign him to the position on a permanent basis," Hayes said.

"I was impressed by the endorsements I was receiving about Dr. Jones' work in the Academic Affairs area, but I was reluctant to reassign him. He has been extremely valuable as executive vice president and moving him would be a loss to our present administrative organization," Hayes said.

"However, the academic program is the reason Marshall University exists and the academic dean is in that position of primary authority. Therefore, I have had discussions with the University Council, which took up the matter with the vice presidential search committee and other faculty members. The response to having Dr. Jones serve as the chief academic officer was overwhelmingly favorable, so I asked him to assume the position," Hayes said. "I am very pleased that he has agreed to do so."

"Many other changes and additional initiatives are being made to compensate for the loss of the executive vice president position. In line with this, a new position, assistant to the president, will be established."

The vacant position of director of institutional research and planning will not be filled and responsibilities of that office will be assigned to two presently-employed staff members, who will report to the Office of Academic Affairs.

Assigning the vice presidents for student affairs and Community College to report to the provost "will permit us to administer under one office almost all of the programmatic activities related to student life on the campus," Hayes noted.

Hayes added that assigning Jones as chief academic officer will permit Marshall to enter the 1979-80 academic year "without the problems and delays that we would encounter in the orientation and adjustment of a new academic administrator. It also will provide academic leadership by an individual who already has a comprehensive view of academic programs and the kinds of students who are admitted with Marshall University and its objectives."

"Dr. Donald S. Robinson, chairman of the Pharmacology Department at the Marshall University School of Medicine, has taken a look at the department's periodic news letter, "Drug Alert," which made its debut in the region last month. The news letter, first developed by Robinson in 1971, will be distributed by the MU medical school as a continuing education service for area physicians. Each issue will be devoted to a single topic related to drug therapeutics and appropriate nondrug management of a medical problem. (Marshall University Photo by Rick Hays)"

"The Kanawha River samples also are being tested for carbon tetrachloride.

Others involved in the research are: Randy Carpenter, field adviser, a chemist with Southern Community College at Logan; Billy Cremons of Huntington and Curtis Hardman of Glenville, both candidates for masters of science degrees in biological science, and Steve Caug of Huntington and Holley Faulkner of Richwood, both undergraduate chemistry students.

Dr. R. L. Turner said the next logical step from the biologist's point of view is "biological magnification," the concentration of organisms in each step of the food chain. The tests will determine what elements are being ingested by organisms in the rivers and what ultimately may be ingested by humans.

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"Other tests are for polychlorinated biphenyls, or PCBs, carcinogens expelled from power plants: aldrin, dieldrin and DDT, all pesticides, and total hardness."

Library announces between-term hours

The James E. Morrow Library will observe the following between-term hours during the break between first and second summer school terms:

**BREAK HOURS**
- **Sat., July 14 (Regular schedule)** - 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- **Sun., July 15** - CLOSED
- **Mon., July 16 (REGISTRATION)** - 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- **Tues., July 17 (CLASSES BEGIN)* - 7:45 a.m. - 10 p.m.

**REGULAR SUMMER SCHEDULE**
- **Monday - Thursday** - 7:45 a.m. - 10 p.m.
- **Friday** - 7:45 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- **Saturday** - 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- **Sunday** - 5 p.m. - 10 p.m.