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Fellowships Offered For Women

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) through the Educational Foundation, is offering fellowships for women

The American Fellowships are offered to "women of the United States who have achieved distinction or promise of distinction in their fields of scholarly work." Approximately 70 dissertation fellowships are available for those who will have successfully completed all required course work and examinations for the doctorate except for the defense of the dissertation by January 2, 1978. It is expected that the degree would be received at the end of the fellowship year.

Post doctoral fellowships for research and fellowships to assist women in their final year of professional training in law, dentistry, medicine, veterinary medicine and architecture are also available. Stipends range from \$3,500-\$7,000. Post doctoral fellowships are up to \$9,000

The International Fellowships are for advanced study and training to women of outstanding ability who are citizens of countries other than the U.S., and who may be expected to give effective leadership upon return to their home countries. About 35 International Fel-

lowships are awarded each year with stipends ranging from \$3,500 to \$5,500.

Applicants must have a degree equivalent to the bachelor's degree from a U.S. university, a plan of study or research, and the intention of returning home

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Harold Jackson, Director of Public Relations, addressed a public relations skills workshop that was conducted recently in the women's bldg. The workshop was designed to improve the public relations skills of local and state agency employers and employees.

Psychologists To Meet On Campus

Tennessee State University will host a two-day conference involving Nashville area psychologists and social workers on October 13-14 in the Women's Building on campus.

From the theme: "Shaping New Perspectives in the Delivery of Social and Mental Health Services," the conference will make available for social workers, psychologists, mental health and social service workers, students and other interested persons several training workshops which will address issues and techniques in the delivery of social and mental health services.

Sponsored by the Nashville Chapter of the Association of Black Psychologists, Nashville Association of Black Social Workers, Tennessee State University's Department Psychology and the Public Service Office, the conference will feature workshops on the strategies and techniques for working with inner city families; social, educational, and personal problems of adolescents, and social and mental health workers as social change agents. Strategies and techniques for short

term and long term social change.

Registration for professional is \$5.00 and for students is \$2.00. Interested persons are urged to pre-register by October 7, 1977. For further information contact Robert Boone at the Public Service Office, 320-3398.

THIS WEEK

THE SEQUENTIAL TEST OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRESS (STEP) will be administered from 8 a.m.- noon in the A- auditorium on Tuesday, September 27. Registration should be completed at least one week prior to test date. The next STEP will be given on February 7.

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THE GENERAL EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT TEST (GED) will be given Thursday, September 29 and Friday, September 30 in room 207- Education Building. The fee is \$10.00 and the testing time is 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Tutorial Program Offered

The University-wide Tutorial Program is operating everyday of the school year according to Al Hudson, tutorial supervisor.

Students may sign up at the Wilson Hall Cafeteria, lower side entrance or at the Counseling Center, 1015 35th Avenue North. The Counseling Center, in a joint effort with the University,

has implemented the tutorial program to assist students.

Tutorial sites are the main floors of Boyd, Eppse, Hale and Hankal Hall lounges, the lower floor recreation room of Watson Hall lounge and the lower floor cafeteria of Mary Wilson Hall.

Arrangements for the services will be made for individual convenience.



Dwight Jackson(left), a senior psychology major, is serving a one-year internship with WNGE television. Jackson's duties include news writing and reporting. He is shown here with Dennis Clore, who directs the control boards. Jackson, a native of Landover, Md., has a show on WTSU radio and is editor of The Meter.

GRADUATE EDUCATORS MEET

Dr. Frederick S. Humphries is to address the National Black Alliance for Graduate Level Education next month. The Alliance will hold a conference on "The Impact of Politics on Higher Education: A Black Perspective."

Meeting dates are October 6-9 at the Holiday Inn, Cascade Plaza of Akron, Ohio.

Dr. Humphries will speak on the subject, "The Historically Black Colleges and Universities: A Case for Action." Other speakers include Dr. Leonard O. H. Spearman, deputy commissioner of bureaus of post-secondary education, HEW; Dr. E. Belvin Williams, senior vice president of educational testing services; Dr. Preston David, executive director of EEO commission; and Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett, president of National Newspaper Publishers Association.

The conference is co-sponsored by the Black Cultural Center and the Institute of Civic Education, both of the University of Akron.

Registration fee for the conference is \$65 before September 23 and \$75 afterwards. The fee includes a special performance by Cice-ly Tyson on Saturday, October 8.

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to pursue her professional career.

Additional information on all AAUW fellowships can be obtained by writing: AAUW Educational Foundations Programs, 2401 Virginia Avenue N.W., Washington, D.C. 20037.

Deadline for submission of applications and supporting papers is December 15.

PROFILE

HONORS PROGRAM

The term used most frequently in describing the Honors Program is "challenge." A basic premise of the program is "that the academically superior student needs the challenge and opportunity to achieve academic excellence."

From its start in 1964, the Honors Program has grown while emphasizing achievement. According to Dr. McDonald Williams, director of the program, it developed from a study done in about 1963.

"Dr. Charity Mance chaired a committee that explored the feasibility of an honors program," he said. "The program began in 1964 with the freshmen class and was expanded upward each year as at class passed through



Dr. Jamye C. Williams ... the University."

A decade after its start, 141 student were enrolled in the Honors Program. Last



Dr. McDonald Williams year, 211 students were involved.

"We look at the records of freshmen and invite those who have a 'B' average or better in high school or who have scored 20 or better on the ACT," Williams explained. "Those who fill out an application, list a reference at their high school. We

ber urges them to apply or by coming by the Honors Program office on the ground floor of the Martha M. Brown Memorial Library.

"Students in the program often bring others in to enter the program," Williams said. "A faculty recommendation is needed in addition to the required grade point average. We usually accept a student no later than the sophomore year because of the number of honor courses required of an honors graduate."

Students can take honors courses without being in the program," he added. "Some of our classes are designed for the outstanding students in various departments."

Williams emphasized that students enter the Honors Program by choice.

"There are many good students who do not join the program," he said. "Some tell us that they want to



and her honors class

check with the reference for a general recommendation."

Other students join the program when a faculty mem-

become climatized to the University before entering the program.

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"I am especially proud of students in the program because they do accept the challenge."

Responses to a questionnaire sent recently to graduates of the program revealed that many students were impressed by the smaller classes, the standard of excellence and the opportunity for in-depth reading offered by Junior and Senior Colloquia.

Houston T. Kinnard, a 1969 graduate, called the program "very challenging." The open discussion through colloquia classes were meaningful," he wrote.

Other students complimented the dedication of the 20 faculty members who teach honors courses and the quality of speakers who address the annual honors banquet.

"Our awards are one means of incentive for the student," Williams said. "We want to encourage students to be well-rounded."

He said he sometimes recalls his collegiate days as a member of the University of Pittsburgh, track team to remind students of the need for balanced activity. But he stresses academic excellence.

"I would like to see students gain satisfaction from doing something intellectual and doing it well," he said. "I think students in the program do feel this satisfaction."

Karen F. Brown
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Bureau of Public Relations

NEWS BRIEFS

MRS. MIRIAM G. TOWNS, associate professor of home economics, has contributed \$1,000 to the TSU Foundation Scholarship Fund. In a letter to Dr. Calvin O. Atchison, Vice President for Research, Planning and Development, Mrs. Towns asked that the funds be used to provide two \$500 scholarships for students majoring in home economics. The awards are to be in two successive years in payments of \$250 each semester.

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THE CATERPILLAR TRACTOR COMPANY of Peoria, Illinois has contributed \$1,500 for the engineering department. Earlier the company donated \$250 to the school for material in the Career Development Center. The gifts were presented by Caterpillar's college representative, Wes Durand.

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DR. FREDERICK S. HUMPHRIES has extended congratulations to Dr. Walter Smith, newly appointed president of Florida A&M University. Dr. Humphries is an alumnus of the university.

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THE EXXON EDUCATION FOUNDATION has contributed \$6,000 to TSU. The grant was made through the Foundation's Institutional Support Program. It is to be used by the department of engineering.

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DOUG SHIELDS AND GREG TRAGITT will give a talk and slide show on their bio-gas plant at the American Society of Agricultural Engineers' state meeting which is September 30 - October 1. They have also been invited to give a report at the Tennessee Academy of Science meeting in Cookeville, in November and to write an article for the Indiana Prairie Farmer Magazine.

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DR. CAROLE F. STICE will present a paper to the College Reading Association Conference in Cincinnati, Ohio. "Techniques for Introducing Students to the Psycholinguistic Nature of the Reading Process" is the title of the report which will be given on October 28.

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DR. JAMYE C. WILLIAMS, head of the Department of Communication, attended the Southern Area Conference of American Women in Radio and Television (AWRT), Sept. 16 and 17 in Birmingham, Alabama. She represented the Nashville chapter of AWRT.