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Program provides total education

Each summer, several non-traditional student groups populate campus—some for a session or two, some for a week of camp and some for a six-week academic-based program.

The last group is Upward Bound, a federally-funded program that helps participating high school juniors and seniors develop the skills and motivation necessary to succeed in college.

The NMSU program is one of three in Missouri and 423 in the nation. It has been on campus since 1966 when the first programs were started.

The six-week summer program involves approximately 50 students who live in Brewer Hall and attend UB classes mornings and afternoons. All students take a communication skills and a reading and study skills class. In addition, they can choose between other courses such as writing lab, computer science, contemporary issues and values clarification.

The Upward Bound program does not stop with a six-week summer program. It continues throughout the academic year as Jeanie Casady, academic coordinator, and Lana Brown, administrative assistant, travel to 13 area high schools.

"The students need the continuity that we can provide through the bi-monthly meetings. In those meetings we provide things like tutoring, academic advising, college preparation and career information," Brown said.

Beth Richardson, a senior from Unionville, Mo., said, "I get a lot of self-confidence and a lot of help getting into college and with my school work." Richardson said the program has helped her with spelling, algebra, geometry and ACT preparation.

Although academic concerns take up a big part of the program's focus, the Upward Bound staff also works with students for their social and cultural needs. Some students may not feel they relate well with peers in the home school, but during the six weeks on campus they can find an accepting group and build their self-concept. Other students have not been out of their hometowns very much. Day trips to Kansas City, Mo., St. Louis and campus theater productions give them opportunities to expand culturally.

"It's been proven that adjustment to college life is not just in the academic realm. If we can provide

some social/cultural experiences that begin to prepare them for the college experience, then we will have helped them in their transitions to college life," Brown said.

Following these two years of participation, graduating students can elect to go on to the Bridge phase of the program. Upon admission to NMSU, they take six hours of college classes during the first summer session and stay in Ryle Hall with the other college students. The UB staff helps them adjust to college life as individuals need it.

"They've had post-secondary encouragement nonstop for two years and

to get them in college and committed early leaves less opportunity to be distracted from education goals," Casady said. "The adjustment period for any incoming freshman is difficult, but the value of the Bridge program is that our students have a support base through advisers, staff and other Bridge students."

"It's a good program... and it's serving a need in northeast Missouri." Wayne Newman, program director, said. "Since the University is service- and need-oriented, (Upward Bound) fits into their educational format."

—Jodi Carlson



Upward Bound instructor Karla Yannotta assists high school seniors Toni Detwiler and Lisa Miller during reading and study skills class. The class is one of two required for all students in the program.

Dayna Pittman

THIS WEEK...

SENIOR EXAMINATIONS for students finishing after the first summer session will be administered by the Testing Services Office. The ACT-COMP exam is scheduled from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Monday, in 103 Administration/Humanities Building. Local divisional exams will be administered from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, in 103 A/H. For information, call Testing Services at 785-4140.

THE 1985 FCHO YEARBOOK has arrived. All students, faculty and staff who signed a mailing label in May will receive their ECHO by mail, directly from the printer in Dallas. All faculty, staff and full-time students who did not sign up to have their yearbook mailed may pick up their ECHO during distribution from 9 a.m. to noon Tuesday and Wednesday, in 332 Administration/Humanities Building. Your identification card is required to pick up your copy of the 1985 ECHO.

"THE SEVEN YEAR ITCH," George Axelrod's hilarious comedy about a day-dreaming husband tried by temptations and racked by suspicions when his wife is away for the summer, is the second feature of NMSU's Summerplay series, Friday through Sunday, in the Little Theater in Baldwin Hall. All Summerplay performances begin at 8 p.m. and admission is \$4 and \$3. Call 785-4515 weekdays, between 12:30 and 2:30 p.m. and 6 and 8 p.m.

ITEMS OF INTEREST...

ON-CAMPUS APARTMENTS are available for married students for the summer and married and single students for fall. For information, call the Residence Life Office at 785-4133.

THE BAPTIST STUDENT UNION will hold volleyball at 7 p.m. and Bible study at 8 p.m. every Tuesday during summer school. Bible studies are led by Jerry Carmichael, campus minister. For information, contact the BSU, 110 W. Normal, at 665-4841.

THE JAPANESE CULTURAL Exchange Program seeks families interested in sharing American culture and family life with visiting students from Hosei University, Tokyo. This year's homestay program is scheduled from Aug. 8-14. For more information, contact Ann McEndarfer at 785-4481 or at 665-2321.

NOTES...

Jerry Mayhew of the **Health, Physical Education and Recreation Division**, has had his article, "Low-cost Modification of the Margaria-Kalamen Anaerobic Power Test," published in the Iowa Journal of Physical Education. **Jim Barnes, Language and Literature**, has a poem appearing in the current issue of "New Letters," published in Kansas City. **Barnes** recently read from his new book of poetry to a group from the Missouri Scholars Academy at the University of Missouri-Columbia. "Issues in Designing the Reading Curriculum," a manuscript by **Marlow Ediger, Education**, has been published in the 1985 spring issue of "Reading Improvements," a professional journal for reading teachers.

D A T E L I N E

WEDNESDAY

First Summer session ends, 5 p.m.
Northeast Today calendar issue deadline, 5 p.m., 202 A/H

FRIDAY

Summerplay, "The Seven Year Itch," 8 p.m., Little Theater, BH, through Sunday

JULY 9

Registration for second summer session, registration hallway, A/H
Classes begin, 1 p.m.
Free add/drop, through July 10

JULY 10

Summer Recreation Program organizational meeting, 7 p.m., Ryle Hall

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