

Student services available to incoming freshmen

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When the members of the first freshman class of the University of California, San Diego, begin their daily routine of studies September 21, they will find an Office of Student Affairs already in operation and ready to serve them.

Actually, the student personnel services at UCSD, operating under the supervision of Dr. Theodore W. Forbes, Dean of Student Affairs, is an integrated program made up of several offices, each of which specializes in one aspect of student life. These include the Student Activities Office, the Scholarship Office, the Student Loan Office, the Placement Office, Foreign Student Office, the Office of Housing Services, and the Student Health Service.

According to Dr. Forbes, all of these offices operate on the "open door" policy and function during normal working hours to serve students. There is no charge for any of the services offered since the incidental fees paid by the students upon registration support them all.

If a group of students want to form a Renaissance Music Society or a Maj Jong Club, or invite the Warden of Tehachapi to speak, hold a conference or a whale hunt, or learn about any other student activity or recreation, the Student Activities Office should be able to help.

Set up chiefly to further pursuits fitting the academic challenge of the campus during leisure time, the office also sees that the rules that protect the students and the University are observed.

Since superior scholarship is often impossible to attain without adequate financial assistance, friends, alumni, and The Regents of the University have established scholarship and loan funds to help bridge the gap between resources and need of the students. Four categories of scholarships-- Regents, University, Alumni, and Special-- are awarded annually through the Scholarship Office to eligible students.

The Student Loan Office makes available three types of loans to the fulltime student: regular, emergency, and National Defense Education Act. Regular loans are made in amounts up to \$600 and can be negotiated in about 10 days. A student may obtain within 15 minutes an emergency loan, usually not exceeding \$25, repayable in 30 days.

NDEA loans are awarded after thorough review in amounts not exceeding \$1,000 annually. These loans bear no interest until a year after the student has left the University and may be repaid in 10 annual installments.

The Student and Alumni Placement Office serves students who need part time or summer employment, graduating students who are seeking full-time career opportunities, and alumni who wish assistance in job betterment or relocation. Wives of students are eligible for assistance in seeking part-time or full-time work.

The Foreign Student Office is responsible for the University's foreign students, exchange visitors, and visiting scholars in all non-academic affairs. It handles arrangements with the United States government for immigration and naturalization service and contracts and dealing with other educational institutions, foundations, and philanthropic groups.

The office also serves as the official channel between the students and their own governments at home.

Information concerning accommodations for students, faculty, and staff is handled by the Office of Housing Services. The first UCSD residence halls for single students are expected to be ready for occupancy in the fall of 1965. Until then, students will be housed in various housing in the surrounding communities of La Jolla, Pacific Beach, Clairemont, and Del Mar.

The Student Health Service is staffed and-equipped to provide, from the first to the last day of the semester, such medical care as the students may need. Hospital care is provided through an insurance plan which is part of the incidental fee services.