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Enrolment jump of 360 causes some concern at WLU

An increase in students which will probably reach 460 when enrolment is completed within the next week is not all good news for Wilfrid Laurier University.

Neale H. Tayler, president of Laurier, said he was gratified to see that the university is growing in popularity among high school students who are rediscovering the benefits of a university degree.

"But with our concern for a close student faculty inter-relationship and restricted space we may have to take some action to limit enrolment in arts and science in addition to business and social work," he said.

Preliminary enrolment statistics compiled by James Wilgar, WLU's registrar, showed that 3,624 undergraduates will be attending the university this year, compared with 3,164 a year ago.

Dr. Tayler pointed out that WLU has noticed an increasing number of applications and registrations for several years. It now has just about stretched facilities to the limit.

He noted there was a trend in students returning to the traditional areas of arts and science, up by 194 this year. Enrolment in the school of business and economics has remained about the same, despite a continual increase in entrance requirements.