New Eight-Week Course Offered for Freshmen

Beginning with this new school year, an eight-week orientation course will be required of all incoming freshmen. This course will be worth ½ credit to the students, and one hour's attendance is required per week.

The course can be defined as the "FRESHMAN PROBLEMS COURSE", but will not add to the confusion of a new school by creating more "problems" for the new participants. The sole aim of this course is to help the students know what's going on!

Following is a list of the areas hoped to be covered during this eight-week program. A definite listing of the procedures of this course will not be available until the actual beginning of classes, but a general idea can be derived from the following outline:

Week 1 - August 27-31

Introduction -- General Information

Objectives:

- 1. To review financial aids procedures
- 2. To make sure that as many freshmen as possible have completed their financial aids processing where necessary
- 3. To review graduation requirements and degree requirements
- 4. To help students develop a flexible master plan
- 5. To review the drop-add procedure and grading policies
- 6. To review the mail registration procedure

Week 2 - September 4-7

College Expectations - Rights & Responsibilities

Objectives:

- 1. To review the student handbook with the intent of utilizing the handbook as a tool for the student to help optimize his chances for success
- 2. To review the responsibilities of the student to the college
- 3. To review the responsibilities of the college to the student
- 4. To examine the discipline procedure
- 5. To examine the activities program of the college

Week 3 - September 10-14

Workshop on Academic Performances

Objectives:

- 1. To help the student work out a system to better budget his time
- 2. To review methods to help the student improve his study skills
 - a. Note taking
 - b. Effective reading
 - c. Effective writing
 - d. Effective listening
 - e. Appropriate approaches to taking tests (both essay and objective)

Week 4 - September 17-21

Library

Objectives:

- 1. To help the student utilize the library as a viable resource
- 2. To familiarize the student with library resources
- 3. To familiarize the student with procedure necessary for the student to effectively utilize the library

Week 5 - September 24-28

Career Information and Four Year Articulation

Objectives

- To make the student aware of the various alternatives available after he completes his objective at Alpena Community College
- 2. To familiarize the student with the various resources he can utilize to obtain career information
- 3. To familiarize the student with the placement function at ACC
- 4. To familiarize the student with the articulation process of ACC

Week 6 - October 1-5

Cognitive Map Test

Objectives:

1. To administer the cognitive map test

Week 7 - October 8-12

Overview of Testing

Objectives:

- To familiarize the students with the various types of testing available and how to utilize it
- 2. To familiarize the students for reasons for the use of cognitive mapping.
- 3. To explain the language and symbolism of cognitive maps

Week 8 - October 15-19

Interpretation of Cognitive Maps

Objectives:

- 1. To help the student interpret the meaning of this map
- 2. To outline ways in which the student can benefit from the information he has received from his map
- 3. To summarize the course experience and develop a method of evaluating the experience
- 4. To leave the student with a viable way of maintaining counselor contact
- 5. To leave the "door open" for further group work if student feels the need

Students will be divided into various sections with the ACC counsellors as the instructors of these sections.

It is hoped that this new course will be a successful encounter for the freshmen, as it has been in planning for the entire 1972-73 year. In speaking with Dean Souden, Dean of Students, about this new course, he revealed, "I feel that there are a great number of services available to the students that the students don't know about." This course should provide the answers that annually puzzle freshmen. In so providing this course, the new freshmen now have no excuse for a lack of knowledge!

LETTER TO FRESHMEN

To all ACC freshmen:

Although I graduated from ACC last May and have transferred to Central Michigan University, I would like to take this opportunity to talk to you about Alpena Community College.

You will find yourself in a totally new situation as a freshman in college, despite what you may have heard about ACC being an extension of high school.

Just as important as academic studies in college is the social life. Through various clubs and organizations, you can meet all sorts of people. ACC has one sorority (Alpha Psi Omicron), a fraternity (Phi Sigma Beta), a Vets' Club, and two service organizations: Golden Z Club (for women) and Circle K Club (for men). I urge you to join some of these clubs . . . you'll get alot more fun out of college if you do!

Some of the major events last year were an alumni basketball game, a semi-formal Snowball Dance sponsored by Golden Z Club, a Winter Weekend at Hubbard Lake sponsored by the Ski Club, and a Spring Weekend at Sportsmens' Island, sponsored by Circle K Club.

ACC has an extensive intramural program that has been very successful in the past few years; it looks like it will be bigger and better than ever this year. Events scheduled range from flag football, basketball, soccer, and volleyball, to checkers. Mr. Miles is Director of Intramurals.

Besides the POLEMIC, ACC has two other means of written communication: "The Log," a weekly newsletter, and "The Splinter," a daily newsletter. Be sure to read these regularly, so you know what's going on around ACC!

Now that you have entered college, you have a new freedom -- to do what you want and be who you want to be. I hope you take advantage of this opportunity. ACC is, largely, what you make it.

Sue Reynolds
Former POLEMIC Editor

Intramural Schedule Lists 36 Events for 73—74

This year's intramural program promises to be the biggest and best ever, as a total of 36 different events are scheduled.

Starting off the 1973-74 intramural program was the egg throw, held at Campus Kickoff. Some other events listed on the intramural schedule include flag football, tennis, soccer, bait casting, a turkey shoot, badminton, and paddleball . . . there's something for everyone, whether one prefers to participate in single, double, or team sports.

Intramural Director this year is physical education instructor Richard Miles. His office is located in the National Guard Armory on Water Street.

How to enter the events? Simply get an individual or team blank from the intramural bulletin boards located in Van Lare Hall, Wilson Dorm, the Student Services Building, or from the Director's Office in the Armory. Turn them in to the intramural office as soon as possible.

At the end of the year, team and individual champions will be honored at an activities banquet.

So why not join in on some of the intramural events? You'll find it's lots of fun, and a great way to meet new people.

HELP!

Photographer, business manager, reporters, editors, and typists are needed for the POLEMIC. Contact Mr. James Miesen, POLEMIC advisor, in office 351 of the Natural Resources Center. Experience desirable but not necessary!

SPECIAL COURSE OFFERING---Sociology 127 Native American in Modern Society Louis Baca, Instructor

Examines the position of the American Indian in the United States with special emphasis on the residents of the Great Lakes area. Concepts of social science are used to explain modern social movements within the Indian community. History and culture of the American Indian will be alluded to as it fits into the framework of the course of the class, but will not be overly emphasized.

Open to all. Three (3) credit hours. First class meeting Monday, August 27, 4:00 p.m. in Van Lare Hall, Room 102. By arrangement thereafter depending on class size.

ACC Instructors and Office Locations

Having trouble finding an instructor? Even students who were here last year may be having difficulty finding certain instructors, as some have moved their offices to different buildings.

Here's a list of all ACC instructors and their office locations:

NATURAL RESOURCES CENTER

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R. Clute 251
R. Dominic 356
E. Dunckel 359
R. Garlitz 354
F. Grimes Library
J. HartwickLibrary
W. Law353
R. Matteson 352
J. Miesen 351
R. Moreau 358
J. McGill 357
G. Sparks 355
W. Strom 158B

VAN LARE HALL

L. Aufderheide1
C. Baumgardner5
J. Beyer 120
L. Boyer 9
B. Buchner 113
M. Coombs 12
H. Gamage11
T. Hall 13
T. Hartwick 3
R. Hein Music Room
D. Henry10
R. Kakish 120
L. LaTulip 113
C. Neumann14
L. Puustinen2
T. Quinn7
K. Titus6
S. Titus 4
S. Valli119

BESSER TECHNICAL CENTER

A. Pyne	114
H. Brooks	112
J. Brousseau	115
J. Chandler	105
E. Coggins	114
G. Hardesty	105
H. Hatopp	
A. Hunt	105
R. Jones	053
O. Lamb	106
T. Leach	107C
F. LeMieux	BTC
M. Draper	BTC
I. McLaren	BTC
D. Miller	107C
W. Yule	112
R. Wisener	108C

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H. Bordewyk
D. Dierking

J. Wright MUSEUM

MUSEUM R. Hamilton

R. Holup R. Miles W. Morse

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