McEnany Explains Tuition Policy For Students Enrolled Before 1965

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All students enrolled in Rice University before the fall of

Pitzer Reveals Promotions For 14 Rice Faculty

Six Rice faculty members have been promoted to full professor effective at the beginning of the 1965-66 school year. Rice President K. S. Pitzer announced the following promotions: Dr. Dwight S. Brothers, economics; Dr. Jean-Claude De Bremaecker, geology; Dr. Mary Ellen Goodman, anthropology and sociology; Dr. Konstantin Kolenda, philosophy; Dr. Lewis H. Mackey, philosophy; and Dr. Andrew F. Muir, history.

Dr. Pitzer also announced eight promotions to the rank of associate professor. They were Dr. Donald D. Clayton, space science; Dr. Alan Grob, English; and Dr. Jesse David Hellums, chemical engineering.

Also Dr. Frank Hole, anthropology; Dr. Jack W. Hudson, biology; Dr. B. Frank Jones, mathematics; Dr. Frank Curtis Michel, space science; and Dr. M. M. Raaphorst, French.

1965 will be permitted to complete their normal term of residence without paying tuition, according to M. V. McEnany, Dean of Undergraduate Affairs.

This statement was formulated by the Board of Trustees and Dean McEnany felt that it implied that a student who takes an extra year to graduate might have to pay tuition.

Dean McEnany reiterated this policy to the Thresher after several students contacted him because they were candidates for degree this year but for some reason failed to finish and must come back to earn their degree.

He pointed out that the student can appeal to the Committee on Student Financial Aid, and that each case will be considered separately.

Take More Time

Mr. McEnany said that he felt that the criterion for deciding whether a student must pay tuition will be “if a student must take additional time for reasons which are not his fault, in all likelihood he would get relief.”

Mr. McEnany added that a student who is taking extra time because of a change of major would probably not be charged tuition. He felt, though, that a student who merely “goofed off” and needed extra time would be required to pay tuition.

When asked if financial need would be considered in determining the cases of students appealing to the Financial aid committee, Dean McEnany replied, “I don’t know; I think it would not be a strong factor.”

‘Hard Question’

A question that will be “hard to answer” according to Mr. McEnany, is the problem of a sophomore or junior who might want to change his major, but whose decision might be heavily influenced by whether or not he would have to pay tuition for the extra year.

Dean McEnany felt that “the situation for the following years will probably be the same as this year.”

Regarding a student who drops out of school and comes back later, the Dean of Undergraduate Affairs said that he will not pay tuition “provided the class he comes back into doesn’t pay.”

Dean McEnany pointed out a second problem that has been raised by Rice’s new tuition policies — the elimination of Class III grads. Formerly a Rice (Continued on Page 8)
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graduate who was not working toward an advanced degree could return to the University to take courses if he wished.

Must Pay

Now a person in this situation must pay tuition on a pro-rated basis for any courses he takes. The biggest problem in this area, Dr. McEnany reports, is that there are no scholarship funds available for these students because they are neither graduate students nor undergraduates.

Mr. McEnany also commented on two other aspects of the tuition situation. He remarked that along with the 603 letters of acceptance sent to prospective freshmen, went 261 offers of financial aid in some form.

He added that of these totals, 123 acceptances had been sent to early admission applicants and 50 offers of financial aid had gone to this group.

The number of offers for financial aid represent nearly 45% of the acceptances.

The Athletic Department will also receive a certain amount of assistance from the University in paying the tuition of freshmen on athletic scholarships, Mr. McEnany reported.

After the final number of freshmen admitted and given aid under the regular admission program is determined, a proportionate amount of tuition scholarships will be made for the incoming freshman athletes.

Dean McEnany said that this plan was decided on instead of letting the freshmen who are offered athletic scholarships apply for tuition scholarships along with the other applicants.