

Departments to study environment

A new interdepartmental program in Environmental Science and Engineering, designed to serve as a vehicle for University-wide study and research in the broad area of man-environment problems, will be established at Rice during the summer.

Faculty members from Chemical and Electrical Engineering, Architecture, Biology, Economics, Geology, and Psychology will participate in the program. They will continue, however, to teach undergraduate as well as graduate level courses in their academic departments.

Initially the program will in-

volve only graduate level activity, although courses offered will be open to undergraduates as electives. Prospective graduate students in the program must hold degrees in any of the sciences, mathematics or engineering.

Professor Arthur W. Busch, who has directed research in environmental engineering at Rice for several years, has been named chairman of the program, which will function as a separate administrative entity under the Dean of Engineering and Science, Dr. William E. Gordon.