

PROFS GIVE POOP ON 'PRO'

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The threat of academic probation is a necessary evil even at Rice; for if there were nothing to keep students grinding away for their education, many would soon neglect studying completely, or else would attack the books only half-heartedly.

No Joke!

Despite the jokes they crack about probation, students avoid it like measles. Probation is a serious matter; it discourages those who would seek a campus office and ejects those already holding offices.

"Death Pro"

Those people who are on what is popularly referred to as "death pro" must surely worry the most about going on probation a third time, for this means the termination of their somewhat inglorious career at the Institute.

The Rules

The rules state that "any stu-

dent who, at the end of the academic year or semester, fails to pass more than 70% of his work or fails to earn grades of '3' or higher in at least 40% of his work shall be placed on academic probation for the following semester."

Must Make 3's

Briefly translated in terms of credit hours, the rules means that if a student has sixteen hours in his program, he must pass thirteen of them, or make at least a '3' in seven of them. Complete copies of the number of hours needed to avoid academic probation are available in the Registrar's Office.