

DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY SCIENCE APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY

The Department of Library Science at Appalachian State University reflects some interesting changes and trends. The freshmen advisees have increased in number since last fall and a number of transfers from other colleges have increased the size of the junior class when professional courses are first taken.

Although service courses for education majors were offered in the summer session, the requests for class admission to these courses was greater this fall than last fall.

At the graduate level, the Department has a group of twenty students from various places in the U. S. studying the Learning Resource Center in the Two Year College Institute, under a HEA Title II B grant. Mrs. Mayrelee Newman, formerly director of El Centro College District Libraries, Dallas, Texas, has joined the faculty to work with this group. Miss Jennie Adams is a student assistant for the institute.

In addition to the institute participants, two students in the school librarianship program are holding fellowships under other HEA Title II grant awards. The two fellows are Miss Mary Settle and Miss Connie Underwood. Mrs. Miriam Cason and Miss Vivian Carter were selected as graduate assistants for this term.

Miss Eunice Query was installed as NCLA president at the recent conference in Charlotte. Mrs. Mayrelee Newman and Mell Busbin also participated in that program. Mrs. Ila Justice and Dr. Doris Cox also attended this meeting.

The faculty is now engaged in: joint planning with faculty in Audio-Visual Education for a more effective media specialist training for school personnel who will be staffing educational media centers; refinement of the two year college librarianship program; developing plans for the transition of the professional library into a learning resource center; and preparing proposals for HEA Training Institutes for fiscal '70.

The Library Science Club has sponsored a number of events with good attendance and participation.

A total of 32 students received their master's degrees after completing the programs in library science in June and August. Several of these had outstanding academic records.

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Library Supervisors, president of the Southeastern Library Association, and is currently president of the Library Education Division of the American Library Association. She has been a member of numerous advisory boards and commissions and is currently serving as a member of the National Catholic Educational Association Advisory Council on Educational Technology.

Miss Bomar looks forward to becoming actively involved in the preservice and inservice education of school librarians, school library supervisors, and audiovisual education personnel who will serve as instructional media specialists.