

For place to go after graduation

Center aids job hunter

By KYLE CREWS
The 10th floor of Rudder Tower offers a spectacular view of campus and the surrounding area to people looking out the large glass windows. If anyone were able to look from the outside in, he would see an even more spectacular sight: hordes of Texas A&M students wearing suits and dresses, hair neatly combed, and all displaying their best manners. These students are not attending one of the many conferences held in the building. They are using the services offered by the University Career Planning and Placement Center.

Personnel at the Placement Center, under the direction of Lou Van Pelt, prefer to visit with students early in their college careers. Many times they can suggest elective courses or types of summer jobs that would make students more appealing to employers after they graduate.

Van Pelt said recently that scheduled corporate recruiting activity for September has increased 40 per cent over last year.

"There has been an increase in demand for all majors this year," he said. "Of course, the ones who have had quite a bit of activity in the past are the engineering,

business and geoscience disciplines."
There were 14,107 student interviews conducted last year during the fall and spring recruiting seasons.
Van Pelt recommended that students in certain majors start their job search at least two full semesters before graduation. These include majors in liberal arts and other disciplines that do not have a large amount of on-campus recruiting.
"We will help these people prepare a professional resume and compile a mailing list of prospective employers," he said. "If they are early enough in their degree program, we will direct them to take courses that will improve their employability."
Lisa Martin, a political science major who will graduate in December, is looking for a job through the Placement Center.
"There aren't that many interviews open for my major but they do have some and there is a lot of information on where you can go for further help," she said.
Martin said that the placement annual, a directory of names and addresses of potential employers made available to students, has been very helpful.

The Placement Center maintains an up-to-date library where students are encouraged to read about opportunities available in a particular field. It also includes literature about individual companies.
"The library is a tremendous benefit for someone going through recruiting," said senior Robert Speer, electrical engineering major.
"The only real problem with the procedure is that students can't sign up for interviews until 1 o'clock in the afternoon. If you cannot get there at that time, you often miss getting an interview. I don't know what other way they could do it, though."
Schedules go out every day at 1 p.m. from which students choose an interview time. These schedules go out two weeks in advance of the recruiter's visit to the campus.
Steve Kosarek, senior in electrical engineering, said that better advertisement of Placement Center services would enable more people to use them.
Van Pelt said that this might be a valid complaint, but that he has tried to let people know about the services available to them.
"We have been in the Battalion, on educational television and we have announcements on every de-

partment's bulletin board on campus, he said. "We also put a reminder card in every senior's card packet during registration. This lets them know where we are."
Van Pelt said that last year he and Malon Southerland delivered 137 presentations to groups in an effort to explain the services offered by the Placement Center.
Southerland has served as associate director of placement since 1974 and has recently been named director of cooperative education for all participating colleges at Texas A&M.
"The Placement Center maintains an Educational Placement Service which is under Southerland's direction. This service keeps in contact with public schools and publishes a monthly bulletin listing available positions."
John Gudelman joined the placement staff at the beginning of this semester as assistant director of placement. He will be in charge of working with agriculture majors but will also assist in all phases of placement-related services.
The Placement Center does also work with former A&M students who are interested in changing jobs. Former students request this service 600-800 times each year.

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The titles are actually the names of flowers, and the request politely asks visitors not to pick the flowers in the Floral Test Garden.
The garden, a joint effort between the College of Agriculture and the grounds maintenance department, is located on Houston Street across from the Educational Television building. It was established in 1968.
In 1969, part of the garden was named by All America Selections, a non-profit organization, as a demonstration garden for growing their selections of annual plants. Later, the garden was designated as a testing ground for new varieties of annual seeds.
Each year seeds received from seed producers and suppliers in this country and abroad are planted in the garden. The resulting flowers are rated from 1 to 10, depending on how well they've grown. The ratings are then sent to All America Selections,

which awards the most outstanding varieties. These ratings also help the seed producers, for if the plant receives consistently high ratings, it is worth marketing.
About 20 to 25 percent of the half-acre garden is devoted to testing All America varieties, said Eugene H. Ray, the director of the grounds maintenance department. The garden is one of 39 such test gardens in the United States.
Other parts of the garden are devoted to growing different varieties of annual plants for the visual enjoyment of visitors, to give them an idea of what can be grown in home gardens throughout Central Texas.
The Floral Test Garden undergoes three plantings a year: the first in March, again in late May or early June and a third time in December.
Altogether, throughout the year, the garden cultivators plant as many as 1,000 different varieties and up to 20,000 to 25,000 individual plants.
"I would like to keep the garden as a green area," Ray said. "We desperately need a green area going into the campus."

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