

1,000 ahead of last year

Grad school applicants up

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Applications for admission to graduate school are up this year at Texas A&M.

"We're about 1,000 ahead," M.H. "Jack" Ivins, assistant to the dean of the Graduate College, said this week.

For the period of August 1 to June 1, the number of applications processed — not the number received, which is greater — 1,960, said Ivins, who directs the recruitment program of the Graduate College. For the same period last year, the number of applications was 2,911, he said.

Ivins said that he does not know exactly why the number of applications has increased so much, but that it is probably the result of several things.

"We can't put a finger on any one factor," Ivins said. "It's a combination of many factors."

One of those factors is the economy, he said, specifically the high unemployment rate. That has contributed to the increase in applications because traditionally, when it's harder to find work, more students choose to go to graduate school, he said.

Another factor he cited is the

growing reputation of Texas A&M. Graduate students like to attend a university with a national reputation, Ivins said, and the reputation of Texas A&M has been growing in recent years.

The third factor which Ivins said has contributed to the large increase in applications is the recruitment program of the Graduate College. He said that while no major changes have been made in the program since last year, the recruitment program has become more aggressive.

Four colleges within the University have received the majority of the applications:

The College of Engineering, with 1,108 applications, received 10 percent more applications this year as compared to the same period last year. The College of Business Administration received the second greatest number of applications, 555, which puts it 7 percent ahead of last year. And applications to both the colleges of geosciences and sciences have increased about 45 percent — geosciences received 387 applications and sciences received 418.

Of the applications processed, about 70 percent were

accepted, Ivins said. Of the 2,764 accepted applications, 2,645 were fully accepted while 119 were accepted on a provisional basis. A provisional acceptance is one in which the applicant does not meet the minimum requirements of the Graduate College, but is accepted and placed on probation.

The minimum requirements for acceptance to the Texas A&M graduate program are a combined score of 800 on the Graduate Record Examination and a 2.5 grade-point ratio. However, some departments within the University have minimum requirements in addition to those of the Graduate College. And because of the increased number of applications, some departments are increasing those standards.

The Department of Geology has been one of those to raise its minimum requirements, said Dr. Thomas T. Tieh, graduate advisor for geology.

"We in geology have raised the standards by necessity," he said.

The minimum G.R.E. score for the Department of Geology has been raised from 1,100 to

1,200, but the minimum GPR has remained a 3.0, Tieh said.

Tieh agreed with Ivins that the economy has played a role in the increase in applications. "Part of this is due to a slowdown in the geology-related industries," he said.

The Department of Chemistry also has raised its standards, Dr. Michael B. Hall, the graduate advisor for the department, said. Last year the standards were a score of 900 on the G.R.E. and a 2.75 GPR, while this year it is 1,000 and a 3.0, Hall said.

The minimum requirements and the number of applications are not the only things to increase. The average score on the G.R.E. has gone up as well, Ivins said. Last year, the average score on the G.R.E. was 1,090 for applicants to a masters' program and 1,095 for a doctoral program.

While the averages for this year have not been computed yet, Ivins said he thinks they have gone up.

"We're getting higher grades this year than last year," he said. "We expect to be in the 1,100s."

Shuttle leaves San Antonio

United Press International
SAN ANTONIO — The space shuttle Challenger, on its way back to Cape Canaveral after a six-day mission that included the United States' first female astronaut, spent the night at Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio.

The 747 carrying the shuttle was scheduled to leave Texas at 3 p.m. CDT Wednesday to go to Florida.

Frank Weatherly, a public affairs spokesman at Kelly, said the shuttle landed on schedule at 3:45 p.m. CDT, Tuesday. "There were no problems in the landing," he said.

The Challenger was originally to be flown to Sheppard Air Force Base in Wichita Falls for the night, but thunderstorms in north Texas forced NASA to change its plans and head to Kelly

where previous shuttle carriers have refueled.

The shuttle, carrying Sally Ride and four other crew members, was forced to land at Edwards Air Force Base in California Friday because of fog which prevented the scheduled landing in Florida.

Challenger departed California two days ahead of schedule, NASA officials said.

"It was just good work, relatively few problems and good weather that enabled us to get it out of here early," NASA spokesman Les Reinertson said. "We're elated we can turnaround as quickly as we did."

Challenger's next flight probably will be delayed by about eight days. That flight, set for the end of August, will feature the first night launch and landing.

Business graduate students sought

by Jennifer Carr
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Expanding the graduate program at Texas A&M is the primary goal of the College of Business Administration, says William H. Mobley, dean.

Mobley said his primary reasons for expanding the program, specifically the doctoral program, are the national shortage of qualified business administration faculty and the small size of Texas A&M's graduate program in relation to its undergraduate program.

More than 16 percent of budgeted faculty positions in the nation's accredited schools are vacant, Mobley said, creating a healthy job market for new Ph.D.s. As a major university — the College of Business Administration ranks fifth in the nation in size — Texas A&M has an obligation to help alleviate the shortage.

Currently, Texas A&M's business college has 371 graduate students, only 77 of whom are doctoral candidates. That is 21 percent of the total enrollment of 5,775 for Spring of 1983. Studies show that most successful public business schools have about 30 percent of their students enrolled in graduate programs.

The doctoral program here already is growing, Mobley said, from 66 students last year, and is anticipated in 1983-84, possibly because the college is increasing its recruiting and becoming more aggressive.

"The real key (to recruiting) is that our faculty are known and

respected at other universities," Mobley said. Most doctoral students attend a school on one of their professor's recommendations, he said.

In addition, letters describing programs and research are sent to faculty and students throughout the country, he said.

The graduate program is limited in part by the available resources, including Ph.D. level assistantships and fellowships, Mobley said. As a part of a doctorate degree, the student must do some teaching or research.

To increase the availability of the positions, Mobley said, budget increases are requested and outside sponsors of fellowships may be found. Space for office and classrooms also are a problem.

Mobley cited several reasons for the national faculty shortage.

Until recently, he said, job opportunities in the undergraduate level have been very attractive. And faculty salaries traditionally lag behind the private sector.

In addition, Mobley said, while business schools as a whole have grown tremendously in the last 10 years, their graduate programs haven't grown as rapidly.

Mobley said the College of Business Administration hasn't been affected much by the faculty shortage, although it continues to have openings.

"We've been quite successful in recruiting, but it's a competitive job market," he said.

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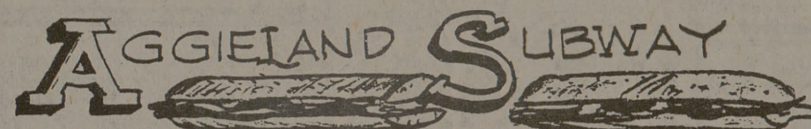
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