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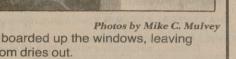
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# **UT medical school** trains professionals in allied health fields

### By SEAN FRERKING Of The Battalion Staff

A high-paying job in the fields of health or medicine may be attained in less time than most students think, said Jeffrey Baker of the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galves-

Baker, an associate professor and director of the university in Galveston, said allied health programs are taught in four years compared to the 10 to 12 years medical students spend learning their professions. The courses at the school provide the university's graduates with much-needed experience and the ability to earn an average salary of \$25,000 after graduation.

But the money is not the only thing students can anticipate - thehealth careers are extremely varied, Baker said as part of the Health Career Fair organized by the Texas A&M College of Liberal Arts, the College of Medicine and the Placement Center.

"The way that most people view our programs is either hands-on occupations or behind-the-scenes technology," he said.

Baker said fields in research or medical practice are available to UTMB's students. The different programs last an average of four years.

The format of the degree pro-grams is two years or 60 hours of selected prerequisites followed by two years of intense study in a specialized field of medicine.

With an extremely high facultyto-student ratio in all departments, Baker said, the school provides stu-dents with personal attention not found at many other institutions.

However, most students are not aware of the allied health option in medical studies, Baker said.

"Most students discover our program only one or two years before they apply," he said.

Another specialized field at the universtity in Galveston is medical technology. Christal Albrecht, assistant professor of medical technology, said her department offers an up-to-date facility that gives students a valuable and modern medical education

"We have hundreds of thousands of dollars of state-of-the-art equipment," Albrecht said.

She said the labs in medical technology use current techniques and precautions in the field of research. Students type blood, work with bi-

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# **MSC Council names three executive vice president positions**

The MSC Council's search for executive vice presidents ended Monday night with the announcement of three students to fill the positions.

The executive vice president for administration will be Wesley Hamilton, a sophomore biochemistry and animal science major from Hillsboro. Hamilton is now the MSC director of external services.

Chris Britton, a sophomore agricultural development major from Cleburne was cho-

sen executive vice president for marketing and personnel. Britton's current position in the MSC is vice president of cultural programs.

Elaine Horn, a senior English and journalism major from Fort Worth, was selected executive vice president for programs. Horn is now the MSC vice president of recreational services.

Catherine Valenzuela, current executive

vice president for marketing and personnel, was in charge of coordinating the selection process.

Students interested in the vice presidential positions first filled out an application with questions about their experience, goals, past leadership positions and reasons for running, Valenzuela said. Candidates then went through an interview process in front of a nominating committee of MSC council and

staff, MSC committee chairmen, faculty and former students, she said.

The new vice presidential terms start April 8 and last one year, she said. Responsibilities of the executive vice presidents include form-ing the MSC executive council and overseeing the areas under them, she said.

There are still MSC council positions open. Students interested in these positions should contact Catherine Valenzuela at 845-0709.

### Correction

The Battalion incorrectly reported the day of the John Miles Rowlett Lecture Series, sponsored by the Texas A&M College of Architecture. The series is today in Rudder Theater.

The Battalion regrets any inconvenience this might have





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