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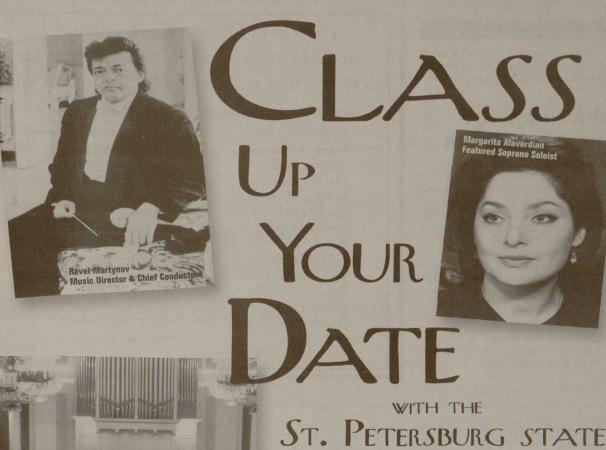
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School of Public Service Peace uses new selection process

BY PATRICK PEABODY The Battalion

The second class of students entering the George Bush School of Public Service Graduate Studies is different from the first class both in composition and cohesion.

Jennifer Jamieson, graduate recruitment and placement officer at the Bush School, said a new interview and selection process caused the differences between the two classes.

'We believe that the new process allowed the students to put their best foot forward," Jamieson said. "A two-day conference was held during which they participated in writing assessments and many group activities, as well as some interviews. We got more information from them than we did from the last class. We wanted to look at something more than just their applications.

Brenda Aguilar, a public service graduate student, said the new selection process caused a difference between the two classes.

"I think the interview conference really put us at an advantage over the first class," Aguilar said. "We got to know each other before we began attending classes, and it helped us blend in together as a class. Also, the interview process was less threatening, and it allowed for people with diverse backgrounds to have equal footing in the selection process.

Aguilar said the interview conference helps prospective students determine if the program was concurrent with their academic goals.

"At the conference, we got to in-teract face to face with the administration," Aguilar said. "We could interview the administration and faculty just as much as they were doing to us. It also gave an idea if this was the right graduate studies program for you.

Jamieson said the second class works better in groups than the previous class because they had more time to get to know one another.

The first class had so many activities going on they really had no chance to bond, but the second

group has come together quite well," Jamieson said. "They also seem to really understand that working in groups is very important

for public service.

and community-service projects.

two classes were similar. work very hard.

Jamieson said the number of graduate students is the same as last year's class

"We have about the same number of students this year as we did last year," Jamieson said. "There are about 20 students now, but we hope to be able to increase that number in the future. Increasing the number really depends on the applicant pool though. We will not sacrifice quality for quantity though. This university has a great tradition of having very good quality students.

Jamieson said the public service studies are still evolving.

"We will keep improving as we go along," Jamieson said. "With every corner we take, we will keep getting better and better. We will try to give them an enhanced education in public service and help them improve so they can work both individually and in groups. We have a sense of commitment to continue to improve."

"We expect a lot of good things from the class," Jamieson said, "and we can only expect more as

Aguilar said the class gets to ap-

ply what they learn. 'It is pretty exciting, the class is really like a big team," Aguilar said. "Our success depends on each other. We also have a lot of activities, including group projects

Jamieson said academically the

"The new class' GRE [scores] and GPAs are very consistent with last year's class, which had very high scores," Jamieson said. "They are both very strong classes and

"The great thing about this program is its newness," Aguilar said. It is great to be in a program that is still evolving. We are asked our opinion on different things, and we feel involved.

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BY MEGAN WRIST

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The first stage includes moving the barricades and completely closing Munson Avenue at Holt Street. The second stage calls for partial closure of Munson Avenue at Gilchrist Avenue.

After these two stages, the barricades would be completely re-

moved from the neighborhood. According to notes taken during the meeting by Joan Perry, spokesperson for the committee, the following options were reject-

ed by the committee: Speed humps on Munson Avenue combined with a median on Francis Drive at Ashburn Avenue

 Speed humps already in place on Munson Avenue combined with a median on Francis Drive at Ashburn Avenue and one on Lincoln Drive at Munson Avenue

• Speed humps on Munson Avenue, with no northbound entry at Munson Avenue north of Gilchrist Avenue and a median on Francis Drive at Ashburn Avenue

• The closure of Munson Avenue at Holt Street, with a median on Francis Drive at Ashburn Avenue and speed humps on Mun-son Avenue between Lincoln Drive and Francis Drive

 Gateways to the subdivision, chokers (medians blocking inter-

sections that disable mo from proceeding straight the intersection) and crosswalk near College mentary School.

Schoenfeld said if council approves the coproposal, the first phase implemented by Dec. ond stage will begin i semester and contin the middle of the ser the third stage woul the precise date of the of the experiment wi mined by the city cou During each stage

will be placed along to evaluate traffic flo the area.

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'We have taken the initiative to build a family here," Rickerson said. We have built a community together. The best way to get people out is to go door to door. Not being able to do that would

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of community. Sasse said Department of Residence Life wants to maintain the current community, established through traditions like Bonfire.

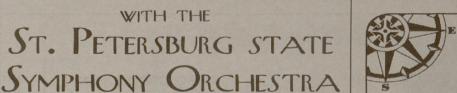
"I don't believe we have to destroy the sense of community," Sasse said. "We can still have

really impede our sense community with women. Sarah Fullen, public relations chaird for the Traditions Maintenance Council and a senior his-

> tory major, attended the meeting and said the Council is interested in the integration of women into Hart Hall because of its historically strong participation in Bonfire

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