WMU earns continued accreditation from North Central Association

WMU has earned continued accreditation from the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. The association's Commission on Institutions of Higher Education voted in August to continue the University's accreditation for another 10 years. The action culminates a process that began more than two years ago.

North Central, one of six regional associations, accredits institutions to provide public certification that they are operating at generally satisfactory levels of quality. Institutions reaffirm their accreditation by North Central every 10 years, WMU, which first was accredited in 1915, received its previous North Central reaccreditation in 1981.

"The preparation for a reaccreditation visit is enormous underpinning," said President Hansicke. "I am very grateful to the many colleagues who prepared the self-study documents that were so well done that they elicited compliments from all of those who used them during the reaccreditation process.

Preparation for reaccreditation began in January 1989 at WMU, when committees started research to compile a Self-Study Report. The report, which took stock of changes at WMU over the last decade, was completed in full 1990 and reviewed by the University community before being sent to North Central this past December.

Besides earning continuing accreditation for all of its instructional programs at both the undergraduate and graduate levels without stipulations, the University is benefiting in other ways from the review process.

University administrators have been invited to speak at the March 1992 annual meeting of the North Central Association on their experience with a new approach to accreditation. WMU was one of a handful of colleges and universities that used an option to tailor their self-study process to target as many as four significant issues, challenges and initiatives with institutional ramifications.

WMU chose to emphasize these areas: undergraduate education; graduate education; research, and cultural diversity and access; and student life.

"By using the special emphasis approach, we were able to concentrate on issues of critical importance to the University rather than collecting data on none work we would use," said Susan B. Hannah, assistant vice president for academic affairs and chairperson of the Self-Study Steering Committee.

The newly revised self-study evaluation by the North Central Association is scheduled for 2000-01.

Senate scheduled to act on general education revision

The Faculty Senate is scheduled to act this fall on a major revision of the general education program at WMU. The proposed revision, due for presentation by the Senate Oct. 3, in 1008 Trimpe Building.

The revision of the general education program began last year. Students from all areas of interest in general education are invited to attend and speak, said senate president Ellen K. Page-Robins, sociology. The senate heard a panel discussion on the revised program, developed by the General Education Council and called the University Education Program, at its Sept. 12 meeting.

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Business building to be dedicated Oct. II

The University will dedicate the new $20.1 million building for the Haworth College of Business at its meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, in 0108 Trimpe Building.

Principal participants in the dedication program will be: Winifred D. Fraser of Northville, chairperson of the WMU Board of Trustees; John Engler's office, William U. Parfet, president and chairperson of the WMU Foundation board of directors; G.W. Haworth, founder and board chairperson of Haworth Inc.; Richard G. Haworth, president and chief executive officer of Haworth Inc.; Carl Schramm and Ed Pogue of SmithHammond Partners Inc. of Birmingham, Mich., the project architect; Herbert Berg, president, and Penny H. Perry, director of the Miller-Davis Co. of Kalamazoo, the general contractor; and President Hansicke.

The Senate also is scheduled to conduct elections for two councils and hear reports from Provost Nancy S. Barrett.

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Dean Darrell G. Jones, Haworth College of Business, will serve as master of ceremonies.

An open house and reception will follow the dedication program.
Fine arts plaza flowers praised by garden group

The blooming colors around campus are attracting praise from more than just students and faculty. The Kalamazoo Garden Council has recognized WMU for excellence in the landscape of the fine arts plaza. The flowerbeds are closing up their first year in and around the plaza.

Although the award was presented to WMU, the true winner is its landscape services division. Grounds crews from the division, supervised by Timothy M. Holysz, are responsible for planting and keeping up the beds.

The choice of designing the area was shared by Sally J. Seedorff, landscape services, and Katherine Zanoni of Solutions Unlimited Inc., a Kalamazoo landscape architecture firm.

WMUK wins McCree award

The news department of WMUK-FM (102.1) recently was honored by the State University of Minnesota with a first place broadcast award for outstanding contributions to the public understanding of the legal system in the Upper Midwest. The award-winning program, "Compass," is being dedicated to the memory of Erik A. Schreiner, mathematician to be Visiting Scholar at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, who presented a lecture at WMU Thursday, Oct. 10, and is one of the major participants in several of the special workshops on matrix research.

Prominent mathematician to be Visiting Scholar

Roger Horn, professor of mathematics at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, will present two lectures at WMU Thursday and Saturday, Oct. 10-11, as part of the Visiting Scholars and Artists Program.

He will discuss "The Curious History of the Ubiquitous Singular Value Decomposition" at 4 p.m. Thursday in the commons room on the sixth floor of Everett Tower.

Other invited speakers include: Tien -Hung Bui, Central Michigan University on "Some Results on the Singular Value Inequalities"; Francelle Kline, who has served on the CDA board as a parent representative. The CDA also serves clients at the West Main facility.

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### Zest for Life

**"Home is Where the Chaos Is" or "Getting My Second Shift Organized"** is the title of the next health enhancement seminar scheduled for 12:05 to 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 15, in Room A of the Bernhard Center. Juggling the pressures and responsibilities of work with maintaining a healthy home along with activities and emotional needs of a family can be an overwhelming task for many people. Time management, organization, and professional development, will provide strategies for juggling home and family responsibilities with professional life. Bring your lunch and join us!

Feeling overwhelmed, discouraged, and angry? Coping With Stress In The Workplace will offer a workshop that will assist you in developing personal skills for responding to stress through changing attitudes, changing relationships and changing tension into relaxation. It will be conducted from 5:30 to 7:15 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, Nov. 5, 12 and 19, at 61, 625. The meeting will be in the McKeen Alumni Center at 7-6719.

### Recycling

Some of you may have noticed that polystyrene (Styrofoam) hot cups are now available on campus to try out the capability to recycle polystyrene foam. This type of foam is less than half the bulk of paper hot cups. Also, polystyrene foam hot cups do not contain ozone-depleting chemicals.

Please use your placed used hot cups in the appropriate containers and do not leave the cups to be collected by the campus recycling system. The bulk of the polystyrene foam hot cups will be recycled. Any that are not used will be handled by the campus recycling system. The bulk of the polystyrene foam hot cups will be recycled. Any that are not used will be handled by the campus recycling system.

### On Campus

#### Future of European Community to be focus of lecture by faculty member from Germany

Researchers spend a great deal of time in the library searching printed and electronic information. With the availability of the many indexes available in Waldo Library, this search has become easier. How can the Periodicals Service Window help you? Periodicals Service Window provides access to over 5,000 current periodicals including national and local panel presentation and discussion.

#### Libraries

The goal of the seminar is to provide an overview of telephone features and to give tips and techniques for increasing productivity. Features to be discussed and demonstrated include speed dialing, call forwarding and voice mail.

For more information and registration, persons should call the Department of Telecommunications at 7-0918. Reservations will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

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The program, a part of series sponsored by WMU and its Alumni Association, will be moderated by Dean Douglas P. Ferraro, arts and sciences.

The cost, including the breakfast, is $5 for WMU alumni and friends Tuesday, Oct. 15.

#### Who’s Who nominations due

The Office of Student Life is accepting nominations for Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges for the academic year 1991-92 through Friday, Oct. 4. Faculty and staff members are invited to nominate outstanding seniors or juniors for consideration.

Forms are available at the Office of Student Life, 2420 Faunce Student Services Building.

### Human Resources

#### Training and development seminars offered

A seminar on "Fundamental Typing and Layout" is scheduled for noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 8, in the Red Rooms A and B of the Bernhard Center. This session will teach you that printed matter comes faster by just the content of the words on a printed page. Of interest to all who work with word processing or page layout packages. The seminar will show how visual presentation helps to effectively deliver your message. Participants may bring a lunch.

#### Most work habits — good and bad — are developed during the first days on the job.

#### Recreational Services

The following list of vacancies is currently posted in the Job Opportunity Program segment in the Department of Human Resources. Interested eligible employees should submit a job application, resume or sign the appropriate bid sheet during the posting period.

#### Jobs

**Exchange for Sale**

1986 Toyota mini-van, 61,000 miles, one owner, loaded with options. $5,700. Call Deb after 5:30 p.m. at 382-0163.

#### Jobs for Sale

- **Cultural Center** at Woodbridge Library. Two beds, one bedmaster with ceiling kitshn, one half bath, fireplace, sideboard, old style furniture, excellent condition. $500. Call 323-9717.

#### Jobs for Sale

- **Library**
- **University Film**
- **Exchange**
- **Media Services**
- **Future of European Community**
- **Will the 12-member European Community develop into a "United States of Europe" after 1992? That question will be addressed at a lecture at the University of Passau in Germany, with a presentation by Faculty member from Germany.**

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Distinguished alumni

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as one of the nation's foremost concep-
tional thinkers in the area of teacher educa-
tion and received the MSU Distingui-
ished Professor Award. In 1990, Lanier
received 17 applications for the computers,
which were awarded to William A. Smith,
teaching, a pioneer in teacher collaboration.

Recently a published author and a frequent speaker at national
assemblies, Lanier serves on the
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For her present position as dean.

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