Housing costs will rise 4.9%  
By Paul S. Sheng  
The average rent for institute housing next year will increase by 4.9 percent to $1317 per semester. The increase is the lowest in several years, following hikes of 5 percent last year and 11 percent the previous year.  
The price of commons points, which students in four dormitories are required to purchase, will increase 6.2 percent.

The primary reason for the rent increase, according to a letter dated April 27 from Dean of Resident Life Donald E. Hartwell, is the necessity to cover rising operating costs. "The department has to pay its way," said Hartwell.  

"I don't like," said a junior in the freshman class. "I don't like so that I can keep my ROTC scholarship,"  

"The rent adjustments also represent a second step toward making the current four-level system pay," he added.  

"The housing system is also taking a major portion of an increase in employee benefit charges from 25.2 percent to 33.9 percent," Hartwell said. The system amortized the increase over several years to reduce its effect on dormitory rents.

Dormitory rents for McCormick Hall, Barton-Connover House, McCagg House, and 500 Memorial Drive will increase to $1120 a term, the highest rent ever charged to mechanical engineers. How- ever, mechanical engineers were not among the fields of high demand to the military, but now gives students the opportunity to re-consider "fascination with subject major" to have a very small influence on their choice of major.

Among other trends the survey reveals:  

- Over 80 percent of undergraduates are "very satisfied" with their choices of majors, and 70 percent feel that lowering MIT's admissions standards for freshmen will have "relatively little leverage in the real world," and their fears would not be noticed for 10 years.  

- The faculty also approved guidelines for the new regulations stating the influence of the new admissions policies and recommend- ing changes in chemistry and physics achievements.  

"There's no evidence that MIT's position has been saving the situation up to date," he said, adding that MIT has not yet adopted new rules or found one in the United States independent of the MIT system.  

The new guidelines allow the Admissions Office to accept a student who lacks experience in a core subject "if that absence is offset by extra strength in other appropriate areas."  

"If a student is a mathematics major, they could attend and answer ques- tions about the restructured stu- dent government.  

The Council of Student Repre- sentatives should become UA Coun- cil representatives, Libby said.  

"Students sign a contract to keep or a chl- ding from physical sci- ences," Hassett said according to Hassett.  

"The Air Force has shortages "There is a hierarchy of desired majors, starting with engineering, physical sciences, then business, and social sciences," Hassett said.  

"I can approve lateral changes or a change from physics sci- ence to engineering, for ex- ample. But if a freshman comes to me wanting to change from engi- neering to philosophy, I'm sup- posed to discourage him from doing so," Hassett added.  

"If the change is down in the lines to finance, I can still approve it based on my observation of personal qualities and quality take precedence over the acade- mic fields. We want to keep people of high quality -- we don't want to turn them loose," Hassett said.

Students fascinated, satisfied with majors  
More than 80 percent of undergraduates are "very satisfied" or "satisfied" with their choices of majors, and many consider "fascination with subject major" to have a very strong influence in their choices.  

Almost 2000 students completed surveys prepared by the Committee on Educational Policy with regard to changes in students choose majors. Professor Thomas J. Allen, of the Sloan School of Management, analyzed the results and presented them to the Faculty Wednesday.

Half of students enrolled in the Department of Electrical Engi- neering and Computer Science, and about 40 percent of all students, chose their majors before entering MIT. "That's 60 percent we can influence," Allen said.  

Among other trends the survey reveals:  

- Students who decide their major after entering MIT are more likely to "wander a little bit" and try more majors;  

- Personal hobbies have a strong influence on a quarter of ECE majors, and the department's policy of allowing 80 percent of students to delay their major for at least a year may lead to a strong influence on their choice of major.
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news roundup

World
US aircraft carrier, Soviet submarine collide — The US Navy aircraft carrier Kitty Hawk and a Soviet submarine collided off the coast of Korea Wednesday. The submarine was in distress while submerged and surfaced without checking what lay above, Pentagon officials said. The Kitty Hawk offered help, but the Soviet vessel declined and left with a Soviet cruiser.

Nation
Mondale scores victory in Illinois — Former Vice President Walter F. Mondale took an important victory in the Illinois primary Wednesday, beating Sen. Gary W. Hart of Colorado by 4 percent. The Rev. Jesse L. Jackson was nearly 30 percent of the vote. Mondale and Hart both acknowledged the race for the Democratic presidential nomination will be a long one. "It is, in fact, a marathon," Hart said. Mondale commented after the election: "There's still a long way to go."

School amendment fails — The US Senate rejected Tuesday a proposed constitutional amendment which would have allowed state-sanctioned spoken prayer in public schools. Lobbying by President Ronald Reagan and Christian fundamentalists was insufficient to attain the required two-thirds majority, although 56 senators backed the proposal.

Local
Two convicted of rape in Big Dan's trial — Jurors in the controversial Big Dan's rape case convicted two of four men of aggravated rape after only hours of deliberation yesterday. Convicted were Victor Raposo and John Cordiero; Virgilio Medeiros and Josel Medeiros, who are not related, were acquitted of the charge. Daniel Silva and Joseph Vieira, also accused of raping a Fall River woman in a bar last year, were convicted in a separate trial last week.

Transfer to Harvard and save $300 — Harvard University announced this week a $14,100 total for tuition, room, board, and fees for 1984-85. The increase is at about the same rate as that of MIT, which set a $14,400 total. Harvard is No. 1 among the Ivies in that category.

Weather
Spring break — Colder temperatures are expected tonight, with a mild breeze. Today will be partly cloudy with a chance of rain and high temperatures in the 40s. A stronger wind and clearing skies tomorrow may bring temperatures near 50 degrees.

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This Summer

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Go Course XVI for rockets, weapons

If you are within reading distance of this column, give a book, don't compute. If you are not within reading distance, write to The Tech, and the editor will use a bigger type font on your columns.

Today's column is on Course XVI (6.001), a course taught by Prof. Andrew S. Gerber '87, the course of planes, rockets, and weapons of all shapes and sizes. For potential VI majors interested in working on things like guidance systems, Course XVI offers the options, many of whose requirements can be satisfied with Course VI subjects, including the infamous combination of Circuits and Electronics, Signals and Systems (6.013). If you are interested in aerospace electronics, this option is a must.

Of course, much Course XVI work is for the military, but before you disparage Course XVI as the US Department of Defense, you must understand that we are constantly living with the fear that nuclear war will break out at any moment. Mr. Z. is convinced that our children cannot grow up healthy in a world with room-temperature cloud hanging over their heads. For that reason, he wants to start a relatively soon, and in his words, "we are in it every day that we can live without fear for another 30 years. I feel as if I do that the world could use more of Mr. Z's idealistic altruism.

Mr. Z feels that our nation's defense is worth whatever costs it, although he recognizes that much of heavy defense budget comes from inflated prices for equipment and materials. He is the source of this column's Least Significant Bit of Education (LUEP), for the attributes of The Tech.

I wanted to start this column in first-person narrative with something like: "Yesterday, as I was walking through Lobby 7, . . ." But numerous attempts to read stories with similar openings in this newspaper have made me extremely wary of the formula which has so often left my left eye rolling aimlessly in my and my interest ungratified. So I decided to just take the liberty to use this wonderful, incredibly non-invasive tool called the press to give the public a glimpse at what the Tech is doing to the point behind most of TheTech's sentences. I could not even see the end of the hall," said Mr. Z, from the Department of Chemical Engineering, designs The Tech. Why are those words important? To Bill Cheng '84 with pride at a public display of intelligence. Oh, to provide some priceless insight to the reader. Microcosm: To see the macro through such specific details?

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Flying through space in Course XVI

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Going to name her - "AA." Ms. AA is somewhat of a feminist. In her spare time she is working on a sequel to the novel How to Make Love to a Man entitled How to Really Screw a Man. But I digress. Ms. AA is really interested in building spaceships. She is a science-fiction fan and an eternal optimist, but she recognizes the limitations that physics currently puts on space travel. Indeed, to accelerate a single 1000-ton spaceship to a mere seven-tenths the speed of light would require all the energy the United States used in 1000 years. As Ms. AA so aptly puts it, "We can go to the stars anytime we want, but we aren't coming back alive."

I suppose I cannot go through an entire column on Course XVI without at least mentioning the four notorious subjects called Unified Engineering - 16.001, 16.002, 16.003, and 16.004. On the other hand, maybe I can. In any event, there is more to Course XVI than just Unified. In fact, two of the best courses in lasers and optics in the entire Institute are offered in Course XVI. I even took one of them. Course XVI is for learning aeronautics, astronautics, and lasers. And speaking of lasers, if the fighters in the Star Wars trilogy are so advanced that they are capable of interstellar travel, why are they not capable of firing backwards, which is certainly more useful in combat?

Stay tuned for Course XVII and what Abraham Lincoln would be doing if he were alive today.

Good friends will give you a break when you're broke.

The dinner was sensational. So was the check. The problem is, the theater tickets that you insisted on buying broke your whole budget. Enough to declare bankruptcy by the time the coffee arrived.

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Löwenbräu. Here's to good friends.

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Column/Michael Battat
Cults still recruit on campus

Does MIT depress you? Most things I do here are pretty depressing, and I am sure most things you do here are pretty depressing, too. You have to wake up for class and lose three hours of sleep. You spend a problem set, when all you really want to do is call a nice person who makes your life special. You eat pizza with anchovies. Pretty depressing. Makes your life special. You eat—

All you have to do is give your money, your inheritance, your possessions, and your life. These are things for which you have no need in this "world of unification"; the Moon will fill the resulting void.

You do not need another college peer warning you about the same. After all, we are adults capable of making our own decisions, right? The fact remains that these groups still exist; they are still looking for members, and MIT happens to be a breeding ground for depressed people—people susceptible to the "feel good" cult rhetoric.

We each have to make choices about our lives. Sometimes an innocent choice may have long range implications. It is more depressing to be brainwashed into a cult than it is to wake up after four hours of sleep.

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The denizens of the Breakfast of Champions radio program, which airs weekdays from 8 to 10 a.m. on WMBR, hosted a concert by the Slickee Boys at Spit on Wednesday evening. The Slickees are a neo-psychedelic pop band from Washington, D.C., and are currently touring nationwide to promote their first album, Cybernetic Dreams of Pi, recently released on Twin Tone Records. The band plays a mix of original tunes and covers of obscure '60s rave-ups. Local funk/wave group Slim opened the well-attended show.

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I was important. The two candidates "was not the issue," he said, it was important. The two candidate slate represented different philosophies and ideologies.

"Only three of the 15 [Group I] candidates were [with] the Simplex Steering Committee..." said. Many members of the Group I slate were not closely identified with other issues, Milne said. "There were many factors in..." he said, it was important. The two candidate slate represented different philosophies and ideologies.

"Three-fifths of registered voters did not..." he said. The Cambridge City Council has taken no action in the past which would affect the Simplex development, because of a lack of consensus. Its delay prompted MIT to move ahead with the development last fall while continuing to "relate to the neighborhood," Milne said.

The development of the Simplex site is "important to all of Cambridge," not just the immediate neighborhood, he said. The Simplex Steering Committee's view has support in Cambridge, but "development is of interest," Milne added.

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The more things change... From The Tech, March 26, 1884:
The practice which has prevailed among the professors at the Institute for several years past of subtilizing "paragraph rules" for text-books has, we hope, reached its height and is now on the wane.

Ever since the papyrograph process for multiplying writings and drawings came into use, the custom of giving to the students such notes has been on the increase, and some of our professors have found it to be a surprising extent.

In many cases the "notes" have been quoted almost entirely from text-books which, if used instead, might have saved the student much strain of energy, caused by trying to decipher illegible writing, the vexation of correcting obvious errors made in copying—or many might go unnoted—of that of keeping the pages in order, and finally, the necessity of transporting a great bulk of such notes containing comparatively little matter daily to and from the Institute... From The Tech, March 27, 1914:
The last sherd of the tradition which forholds the wearing of hats in Huntington Hall would seem to indicate ignorance on the part of new students rather than lack of respect for the hall, which by virtue of its long connection with Technology’s history and its intimate association with the life of every student, should be held particularly sacred.

(Editor’s note: This Huntington Hall was part of MIT’s Boston campus and shares only its name with the present Huntington Hall, room 10-250.) From The Tech, March 24, 1964:

Negotiations (are proceeding) with the contractor, Weston Construction Co., for the fifth-floor addition to the Student Center. The Institute announced Monday that "if the cost of construction is acceptable to MIT and consistent with the estimations of the architect," plans for the library will proceed.

Final occupation of the center by activities will be in any case take place as planned during the fall of 1965.

The planned library will house about 12,000 reserve books for all courses and a browsing library of 5000 volumes. The 500-person seating capacity would increase seating space of MIT libraries by 29 percent.

Swimmers win honors (Continued from page 12) performance for a freshman,” said the Engineers’ coach. “We’re looking for good things ahead from Clark.”

Below: Brett Miiwa ’86, Hickman and Renshaw swam to a 23rd place finish in the 800-yard freestyle relay. “Everyone performed exceptionally well considering it was the National Championships,” said Benedikt, adding that most swimmers equalled or bettered this season’s best times.

“The times at the national meet are so difficult, just making it there is an honor,” he added.

The Engineers finished seventh at the National Championships in 1982, and 18th last season.

Winter teams’ record 153-83

MIT’s 14 winter varsity sports teams compiled an overall record of 153-83, with 11 of the teams having .500 or better records this season. Leading the list were the indoor track (184), pistol (8-1), rifle (46-6), wrestling (16-3) and women’s fencing (12-4) teams.

Six MIT teams—baseball, golf, lacrosse, women’s softball, men’s tennis, and track—will travel south during spring vacation.

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Netmen win 3-1

By Victor J. Dinkin

The MIT men's volleyball club defeated Wentworth Institute of Technology 3-1 Monday night in the Pongrandi Gymnasium, in a victory which Head Coach Armando Hernandez called a result of "good defense combined with a fast offense."

The Engineers started out with a 5-0 lead in the first game of the best-of-five match, as the serving of Jorge Braver '86 and Tom Lem '85. Paul Stuopis '87 provided strong support at the net. Wentworth held MIT scoreless in the next six service attempts, picking up three points in the process. Jim Butler '86 and Rich Ryan '87 each put in two, and Stuopis once, to give the Engineers a 10-3 lead.

Braver added three points but Wentworth countered with four. With the score at 15-7, a stalemate developed despite pounding spikes by Eric Daly '87. Wentworth broke the standstill with a rolling ball which put them up 19-15.

Stuopis and Bruce Kralik '87 each served for two points, but Wentworth came back with four. Butler then brought MIT to an 11-4 lead prompting another Wentworth time out. Wentworth came out of the break to take the serve and put in two points, despite fine setting by Braver. Then a commanding spike by Stuopis regained the Engineers' serve. Stuopis served for one, which Wentworth answered. Wentworth served and put in two points, taking the lead in the first game. MIT jumped to a 7-2 lead in the second game before Hernandez called for a time out. MIT temporarily broke its opponent's momentum before the starting of the second game.

Olympic speed-skater to attend MIT this fall

By Mike Blashik

"It was exciting. I had a lot of fun," said US Olympic Team speed skater Janet Goldman of her experience at the 1984 Winter Olympics at Sarajevo, Yugoslavia last month.

Goldman, a 1982 graduate of Newtrow High School in Illinois, will be a member of the Class of 1986, but she decided to accept MIT's Class of 1988, and also train part time with the MIT skating team. Goldman said she was attracted to MIT because of its reputation as a "good mathematics school," and because she was impressed with visiting the campus two years ago.

The 19-year-old said she is "proud" about her performance in the Olympics, and she thinks she did "pretty close to as well as she could."

Goldman has not yet decided if she will continue skating after she starts school this fall. "If I decide after a year I'll have to quit training," she said. "If my studies hurt her athletic career, she will train part time during her first year here and then make her final decision." "I'll train as much as I can," she said.

She might run on the varsity cross-country team and also play for the women's basketball team.

"There is no scholarship, but she has been accepted as a "tough team." "They need her," said Hernandez.

Goldman said she was attracted to MIT's Class of 1986, but she deferred admission for two years to train for the Olympics. Athletes faced with choosing among the Olympics, a college education and a professional sports career usually choose to skip the Olympics.

Wentworth takes honors

By Mike Blashik

Sara Chamberlain, Beth Schoenlein '84, Andy Renshaw '85 and Clark Dorman '87 each earned All-America honors and the MIT men's swim team finished third in the NCAA Division I Swimming Championships at the University of Alabama in Atlanta, Ga. last weekend.

Schoenlein placed sixth in the 100-yard breaststroke to be named All-American for the fourth consecutive year. Renshaw placed second in the 100-yard butterfly and third in the 200-yard individual medley, earning All-America recognition. Dorman placed fourth in the three-meter dive and fifth in the one-meter.

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