Yoo Sues Institute To Recover Degree

By Frank Dabek

Charles H. Yoo '98, the Phi Gamma Delta pledge trainer at the time of the death of Scott S. Krueger '01, has filed suit against the Institute and President Charles M. Vest to recover his diploma.

Yoo alleges that MIT and the Committee on Discipline treated him unfairly by revoking his degree for his role in Krueger's death.

The suit seeks the return of Yoo's degree and monetary compensation for losses incurred as a result of the decision according to Timothy M. Burke, Yoo's lawyer in the case. Burke said that Yoo will not seek punitive damages against the Institute.

Students Smell Something Rotten in Stratton Center

By Zareena Hussain

Students thanked their lucky noses Sunday as the mysterious stench that filled the Student Center for much of the past week subsided.

For anyone who was wondering, the source of the strange, manganese-like odor originated from paint used for sets in the Musical Theater Guild's production of Evita that ran in La Sala de Puerto Rico Thursday evening.

"It reeked," admitted Elicia R. Anderson '01, "but we got accustomed to it." Anderson said, "They tried to use smell to make us feel like we were in the Argentine jungles." By Karen Robinson

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I-Campus Soliciting Student Proposals

Student Group Proposals Due Jan. 15th

By Dana Levine

The MIT-Microsoft alliance began accepting research proposals Monday to distribute up to $25 million in research funds associated with project I-Campus.

"We are mainly looking for programs with educational utility, things which use existing stuff in new ways," said Professor of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering Hal Abelson PhD '73, chair of the MIT-Microsoft alliance.

Proposals from students are also being accepted, according to Abelson.

While preliminary non-student proposals are due Dec. 10, student proposals must be completed by Jan. 15. The committee will then ask for more detailed proposals from the writers of the most promising preliminary plans.

"I wanted to make sure that there was a well defined piece of this that involved students," Abelson said. He also mentioned that no other research program of this type currently involves students.

The committee is currently accepting proposals for three types of projects: regular projects, student projects, and pilot projects. While the first two proposal types would deal with longer term, more involved projects, pilot projects provide for a short trial of a program with the potential for continuation.

"Mostly what we're looking for is big projects. Pilot projects are for groups that aren't ready to do big projects yet but would be willing to invest time in a larger project if the pilot works out," Abelson said.

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The Occupational Safety and Health Administration Monday proposed groundbreaking new rules to curb repetitive-stress injuries and overexertion injuries that government officials now cite as the most frequent source of workplace disabilities.

The federal proposals, which would cover about 27 million workers nationwide, were immediately attacked by the business community as vague, expensive and unscientific. Labor groups hailed the proposed standards.

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the nation's largest business-advocacy group, vowed to fight the proposed regulations in Congress and in the courts. OSHA went ahead with the proposed rules despite direct opposition from Congress, which has battled against the new proposals for years but was unable to pass legislation to halt the rule-making before adjourning for the year last week.

Legislation that awaited the return of Congress in January would address the issue of ergonomics, the relatively new science of structuring workplace environments to the physical attributes and limitations of an individual worker. The bill, passed by the House in August but stalled in the Senate, would have prohibited the new regulations from going into effect until new rules were finalized. "Many people will lose their jobs and small businesses will be forced to close," one bill proponent said.

The proposals are slated to go into effect sometime next year after a public comment period is completed at the end of February. They require that employers tailor their workplaces to fit with specialized chairs, keyboards and assembly-line equipment.

Microsoft Hit with Another Consumer Class Action Suit

By Ashley Dunn and Julie Silver Jr.

Another class-action suit was filed Monday in California against Microsoft Corp., as part of a building wave of consumer lawsuits filed against the nation's largest software company. District Court Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson's finding that Microsoft is a predatory monopoly, at least six class-action suits have been filed over the past 16 months in California alone, all claiming that the software giant used its monopoly power to force consumers to buy Windows 95 and 98 computer operating systems, according to court documents.

The latest suit was filed Monday in San Francisco Superior Court by lawyers Terry Gross and Francis Scarpulla of San Francisco, and Timothy Cohnen and Daniel Mogin of San Diego. The suit was filed on behalf of plaintiff Lilian Lee, a tax specialist, and Tortola Restaurant, a small chain of restaurants in San Francisco, Mogin said.

The attorneys are seeking to expand the plaintiff list to include all those in California who purchased Windows 95 or 98, Mogin said. He said the federal class-action filing in Orange County, Calif., on Nov. 15, will involve the consumer class-action filing in California, on Nov. 15. The suit against Microsoft involves a jump on the anti-Microsoft bandwidth," said Eugene Volokh, a professor of law at the University of California, Los Angeles. "But you have to remember that Microsoft is a very heavy body and it's going to be hard to move."

None of the suits list specific damages, but they do ask for triple damages if they are successful—a figure that could drive the awards in the cases into the hundreds of millions of dollars.

Microsoft spokesman Tom Pilla called the suits "baseless."

The threat of numerous class-action suits across the United States gives a greater incentive for the company to settle the government's antitrust case, because a settlement could prevent Jackson's findings from being enforced in other cases. Alan M. Mansfield, an attorney who filed the Orange County suit, said he intends to continue with his case even if Microsoft settles in the federal antitrust case.
Churches in Holy Land Close To Protest Planned Mosque
By Tracy Wilkinson and Rebecca Trumson

Churches across the Holy Land closed their doors Monday in protest over an Israeli government decision allowing Muslims to build a new mosque near a revered Christian site in this biblical city.

"We do not like what we did, but in such a case we had to," Father Noruan Manougian, grand patriarch of the Armenian Patriarchate in Jerusalem, said of the protest, which will continue Tuesday.

"What the government did is not right. Today it's not an Israeli or an American issue, but a world moral issue," he added. "We are thinking, who's next?" Christian leaders including the heads of Jerusalem's Catholic, Lutheran and Islamic religious communities, who met in Nazareth's Church of the Annunciation, said the Christian tradition holds that the Angel Gabriel told Mary she would give birth to Jesus. Israel said its decision was the best possible compromise, since the mosque was not a threat.

The Church of the Annunciation was one of scores of Christian sites that were closed Monday. Hundreds of church bulldozers cleared earth in preparation for the ceremonial laying of the mosque cornerstone, scheduled for later Tuesday.

In Jerusalem, tourists from the United States, Argentina, Ireland and elsewhere milled about in stone plaza in front of the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, the site where Christians believe Jesus was crucified and buried.

Some caressed the heavy wood doors through which they could not pass, and posed for pictures.

Other pilgrims were supportive of the closures. "I am deeply disappointed, but someone had to take a stand," said Roger Power of Kern, Ireland.

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THE True Reasons for Housing Protest

Dan McGuire’s column of November 12, “The Housing Protest Schism,” makes a number of claims about MITchoice, the recent sit-in, the student body as a whole and MIT’s community which must be addressed.

McGuire characterizes the MITchoice sit-in as a response to the Boston Globe’s editorial but, contrary to what McGuire claims, more than a “couple of administrators” were present at the sit-in. Paul Gray was there for most of the sit-ins and a number of other admin assistants were present as well. In fact, many of the administrators who attended the sit-in stood behind the freshmen on campus (FOC) decision. Since there has not been a suitable forum for students to state their opinions of this decision, it is clear that the sit-in was a necessary step.

McGuire goes on to state that the student body is largely behind Vest’s decision to house freshmen on campus; to use his own phrase, this claim is patently false.

McGuire’s mistake is in taking the student body’s general lack of activism to mean that it’s behind the administration’s decision. Since there has not been a suitable forum for students to state their opinions of this decision, it is clear that the sit-in was a necessary step.

True to the spirit of MITchoice, the rapidly growing membership is any indication, however, the student body is anything but supportive of Vest’s decision. Student government’s unwillingness and inability to react effectively to the freshmen on campus decision speaks poorly of decision-making by committee but says nothing about the feeling of the student body.

It is not surprising that McGuire ignores the fact that, in the 1990-91 yearbook, 87 percent of those voting voiced their opposition to the FOC decision; after all, the administration ignored it as well. By failing to recognize that the student body has spoken out repeatedly against this decision, McGuire’s column reflects the wider failure to heed student voice on the part of the administration.

According to the column, the faculty is “cheering the decision”; this is simply not true. It is unclear what the faculty thinks about the matter, with members speaking passionately on both sides of the issue. Members of the faculty have put forth resolutions which failed to pass; in other words, the issue of faculty opinion is not cut-and-dried as McGuire seems to think.

McGuire talks about the priorities of students “concerned by the parade of bad press” about MIT in recent times; we hold that anyone supporting Vest’s mandate out of concern for their public image does not have valid priorities. Community and the quality of student life are what matters.

As for “multiple sets of people working from the same set of information” reaching different conclusions about the FOC issue, it is unfortunate that the Task Force for Student Life and Learning, the Residence System Steering Committee, and the Strategic Advisory Committee all accepted Vest’s decision to house freshmen on campus as a constraint, rather than keeping the debate truly open. However, given that members of all three groups have been outspoken in opposition to this decree, it appears that many people seem to be indepedently reaching the same conclusion that we have, namely, that housing freshmen on campus is a huge blow to the communities that thrive within MIT, and the wider MIT community as a whole.

Finally, despite McGuire’s claims to the contrary, the sit-in was not held to attract media attention. We staged the event to send a clear message to the administration and the student body that we have not forgotten that this decision was made, and that we will not sit idly by and watch community be destroyed.

Letters could have been avoided had McGuire contacted us at mitchoice@mit.edu or looked at our website, http://www.mitchoice.com. We have been advertising on our posters.

Walter Holland ‘01
MIT Choice

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Veena Thomas

Faster, faster, faster.

According to James Gleick, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of "Chaos," people of the 1950s seem to have had plenty of free time. Gleick is the author of "Faster: The Acceleration of Just About Everything," a book on the increasingly prevalent perception of time pressure and its effects.

"Between 1940 and 1970, an estimated 40 million Americans moved to the suburbs along the lines of Danvers' Creek, with not a single happy family with both parents living in the same house together, and anyone in his right mind could sit down and read the newspaper. The mothers cooked food every night for the whole family, and everyone ate together at the same table. If you were new to the neighborhood, no one would have time to knock on their door and let them come in. Microwave ovens, doing absolutely nothing. 'I wish they had been around then,' said a single happy family with both parents living in the same house together. "

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"Mumia's trial seemed to be something of an afterthought among those in power. As a result, the media coverage was minimal. Mumia's case and links to other Mumia sites are not given the attention they deserve. It is up to us, as consumers of information, to demand better coverage of Mumia's case and to ensure that his story is heard by as many people as possible."

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Eric J. Plosky

Dropping sentimentality never goes over well with the MIT crowd. Nobody ever seems to have time to stop and reflect. People are always on the move, always in a hurry. So when it comes to their emotions, yes - not a guilt trip, but a sentimentality trip."

"Listen to the dialogue on campus; listen to the way students discuss their lives. They don't have time to stop and think. They don't have time to reflect. They don't have time to feel. They just keep moving forward, always in a hurry."

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Faster Lives and Fewer Free Moments

A couple of weeks ago, I went to Park Street to rally for life-free lives are the American way. Mumia Abu-Jamal. In all, the rally was attended by about 50 people, mainly college students and long-distance commuters, who came to rally for the life of Mumia Abu-Jamal."

"The mood of the rally was rather positive overall. People were in good spirits and were excited to be there to support Mumia. It was a good night to be a part of something positive."

"If Mumia's case is indeed a simpler time than the 1990s, how is this possible? Our world is becoming more complex every day. We are faced with more problems than ever before. But despite this, we still find ways to make time for the things we care about."

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American Beauty (****)

The seemingly anonymous movie: this dead-end black tragicomedy is a laughable failure. The Tech part is disappointingly small, there's nothing to this movie beyond sepia-toned metaphors, caricatures instead of characters, and a messy pile-up of red herrings instead of a plot. — Vladimir Zelevinsky

Autumn Tale (***‘lz)

A film so different, so whacked-out, so surreal fantasy, action movie, and black comedy, satire, and frighteningly deep examinations of the clements of a mystery, suspenseful thriller, romantic ruminations on the nature of personality. — Tzu-Mainn Chen

Bone Collector (***)

Good performances by Denzel Washington as a veteran forensics cop and a stunning Angela Jolie as the rookie he helps fail to save the hatched script of previous serial killer thrillers, differentiated only by new types of grossness and violence. Rather unthrillingly predictable. — Zarimine Amari

Dogma (****)

The latest film by Kevin Smith combines the elements of a mystery, suspenseful thriller, surreal fantasy, action movie, and black comedy to produce an engaging examination of religion. Although some may be put off by its disjointed approach, the topics it brings up are never fully explored, a fact that seems slightly lacking. — Rebecca Loh, VZ

The Legend of 1900 (****)

A visual — rather than narrative — film from Giuseppe Tornatore, the writer/director of "Cinema Paradiso," this G-rated film is remarkable, assured, and unhurried, yet full of action (internal as well as external), amazingly beautiful to look at, frequently hilarious, and emotionally affecting to the point of being mesmerizing. — VZ

The Sixth Sense (****)

Cole Sear is a young boy whose special power, "the sixth sense," enables him to perceive the ghosts which, unknown to him, walk among the rest of the world, walk among us every day. Bruce Willis plays the psychologist trying to help him. The strength of their performances carries the movie past its slight flaws, making The Sixth Sense one of the best movies of the summer. — Tru-Mooz Chen

The Straight Story (****)


The following movies are playing this weekend at local theaters. The Tech suggests using http://www.boxoffice.com for a complete listing of times and locations.

**** Excellent
*** Good
** Fair
* Poor

Brad Pitt (left) and Edward Norton in David Fincher's film Fight Club, from Twentieth Century Fox.

Fight Club (****)

A complex screenplay, strong performances, and artistic direction make for an enjoyable filming experience. The excessive violence and rhetoric at times cause the pace to drag, but the film's subtleties will be pondered long after the movie ends. Curiously, while Fight Club is comprised of many strong components, the film as a whole twenti minutes, or else he's dead. Lola's motorbike was just stolen, so she has to run if she wants to be there on time. A minor plot detail: she doesn't have the money. So she needs to run really fast. The result is a streamlined movie possessing an unstop- pable sense of motion, and giving the visceral pleasure of seeing a tightly-wound plot unfold. — VZ

Lola Lola (***

Lola's boyfriend needs $100,000 in twenty minutes, or else he's dead. Lola's motorbike was just stolen, so she has to (Left to right) Fadil Al-Badra, Ice Cube, George Clooney, and Cliff Curtis in Warner Brothers' unconventional drama "Three Kings," also starring Mark Wahlberg.

Princess Mononoke (****)

An epic action adventure, a romance, and a philosophical treatise — which also happens to be animated. While it suffers from simply having too much stuff in it, and from being frequently messy and self-indulgent, it also provides thrillingly exciting action sequences and visuals you won't see anywhere else. — VZ

Run Lola Run (***

Lola's boyfriend needs $100,000 in
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MIT Dance Troupe Presents: Fire

MIT Dance Troupe's sexually suggestive Fire titillated audiences with explicit lyrics and scantily clad performers. By the way, there was dancing too.

The performance showed the artistic talent that MIT students are capable of from creating lighting designs guaranteed to induce epileptic seizures to staging complex dance formations.

Dance Troupe members superbly choreographed and executed each dance, which covered a wide spectrum of styles, including hip hop, modern, and tap. Among the noteworthy dances of the evening was Nostalgia, choreographed by Amanda Gruhl G, with music by Squirrel Nut Zippers. The number presented a fun, retro look at dance, with performers sporting vintage costumes — complete with Fedoras and gladrags (or fancy threads). Instead of jiving the number up with cliched moves leftover from the fizzling Swing Revival, these cats tap danced, reminding the entertained audience that tap is, sadly, a style missing from most dance variety shows.

Alex Raine G choreographed the peaceful Paths to the Way which featured the theme from "The Last Emperor" by David Byrne. The dance showcased smooth Tai Chi maneuvers, a refreshing break from the high kicks and hair swinging of scantily-clad fly-girls.

Overall Fire's numbers presented so many suggestive moves, bare midriffs, and sexual innuendos that the program included a parental warning, cautioning concerned audience members about explicit song lyrics and choreography that "may be inappropriate for children." Sultry songs used in the performances include "Watch Out Now" by the Beatnuts, "Who's Fuckin' Tonight" by Fat Man Scoop, and "Where My Girls At" by 702.
Down with Science

WHAT: Turkey, stuff, pie... where I come!

WHEN: Happy Thanksgiving!

WHERE: In this backpack... the three others are books and problem sets.

WHY: Why'd you pack so much clothing for just four days?

WHO: Jennifer Donoghue

November 23, 1999
A hacker broke into our system and found out our corporate strategy.

Did he post it on the Internet? I'd like to read it.

I'm also curious about my objectives into our system.

And found out for this year. Do you have the guy's e-mail address?

This is our new CEO. He has a reputation as a turnaround expert.

It is a pleasure to meet you. Do you favor Tom or more of a business process approach?

I'm partial to the value based management method.

I'm not familiar with that one.

Everyone says you're a great turnaround CEO.

What does it take to turn around a company like this one?

I guess it's better to not be noticed the first month.

Crossword Puzzle

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56 Collection of fluff
57 Definite article
58 Tilled soil
59 Conclusions
62 Every last one
63 Deadlock

Down
1 Memo acronym
2 Female horse
3 Sealing, as in plastic
4 Ultimate degree
5 Chicory
6 Fringe group
7 Honolulu's island
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**Fox Trot**

OK, I THINK I'VE GOT EVERYTHING I NEED FOR THANKSGIVING.

**Turkey Stuffing, Cranberries, Potatoes...**

MY MASHED POTATOES USUALLY GET STANDING O-VATIONS...

**MY TURKEY STUFFING WAS FEATURED IN YOUR COOK-BOOKS...**

MARTHA STEWART KEPT WRITING TO GET MY PUMPKIN PIE SECRET...

ARE YOU SURE I CAN'T BE OF SOME HELP HERE?

ARE YOU SURE THERE IS ANYTHING ELSE THAT I CAN DO?

TURKEY STUFFING, CRANBERRIES, POTATOES... BABY ONIONS, GREEN BEANS... SWEET POTATOES, PIE FILLING... NOTHING TO DO NOW BUT WAIT FOR MY MOTHER TO ARRIVE.

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ACTUALLY, YOU COULD JUST DO SOMETHING TO MAKE THIS EASIER FOR ME, MOTHER.

ANDY, WOULD IT KILL YOU TO LET YOUR MOTHER HELP YOU A LITTLE BIT?

A TINY BIT? A FRACTION OF A BIT? A MICROSCOPIC BIT?

IT WOULD REALLY MAKE HER HAPPY.

... NOT TO MENTION THE REST OF US. COULD YOU PUT MORE WATER IN THIS BATER... THE TURKEY'S FLAMING UP AGAIN.

**Antacids! Antacids! I KNEW I FORGOT SOMETHING!**

GIVE ME THAT PHONE. I NEED TO CALL THE CHEF IMMEDIATELY.

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<td>Chi Alpha Campus Meeting. Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship will be sponsoring a series on the book of Revelation at our weekly meeting. There will be time for worship and fellowship as we study the Bible. PDR 3. Student Center. Sponsor: Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship.</td>
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<td>Contra Dance for All. MIT Folk Dance Club sponsors a Contra Dance, with live music by Carol Kycia and Cal Howard, caller Linda Leslie. Try this easy, fun, and social dancing — No experience or partner necessary. Admission 0. Student Center W20-407. Sponsor: Folk Dance Club.</td>
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<td>Silicon in Motion: Micromechatronic Systems-on-a-Chip, M. Steven Rodgers, Sandia National Laboratories. Refreshments in Room 34-101 at 3:30 p.m. Open. More info: Call Deborah Hodes-Pabon at 253-5264. Email: <a href="mailto:micromech@mit.edu">micromech@mit.edu</a>. Web: <a href="http://www-mit-edu">http://www-mit-edu</a>. Rm 34-101. 4:15 p.m.- Aerodynamic Response of Turbomachinery Blade Rows to Convecting Density Waves, Mr. Sanith Wijesinghe, Gas Turbine Laboratory - MIT. Refreshments 4:15p.m. Lecture 4:30p.m. Open. More info: Call Lon Martinez at 253-2481. Email: <a href="mailto:lonm@mit.edu">lonm@mit.edu</a>. Web: <a href="http://www-eaps.mit.edu/depCsem.html">http://www-eaps.mit.edu/depCsem.html</a>. Rm 31-161.</td>
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**FEATURES**

**What the Campus Police Can Do For You**

By Katherine Allen

The Campus Police department offers a wide range of services to the MIT community. Whether it's a medical emergency or a non-emergency situation, the Campus Police have the expertise and resources to handle it.

**Crime Prevention Programs Integral**

Crime prevention is a top priority for the Campus Police. They work closely with the students to ensure their safety and security. The Campus Police offer a variety of programs, including the Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) program, which teaches women self-defense techniques.

**Well-trained CPs provide service**

The Campus Police are well-trained and equipped to handle a variety of situations. They offer rides after class, provide emergency medical services, and are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Before anyone can even consider for a position on the CP force, they are required to have served three years in a campus, municipal, or state police force. They then undergo background checks and psychological screenings prior to the final hiring decision.

**VIEWPOINT**

What are you grateful for this Thanksgiving?

Good health, my family, pumpkin pie, froyo, food trucks, chili sauce...

- Peter R. Gamache '01
- Felix S. Klock '00
- Katie Jeffreys contributed to the reporting of this story

Happy Thanksgiving

From

The Tech
Rabih Alameddine speaks on his new book, *The Perv*

Monday, November 29, 7:00 p.m.

MIT, room 6-120, 77 Massachusetts Av., Cambridge

Book signing and reception will follow.

From the critically-lauded author of "Koolaids: The Art of War" arrives "The Perv," Rabih Alameddine’s collection of beautifully crafted stories centered around diverse members of the Lebanese Diaspora and their voyages of self-discovery in a war-torn world beset by homophobia, racism, class stratification, and human alienation.

*About "The Perv":* In distinctive voices, clear, unsentimental, and often blunt, Alameddine’s narrators -- male and female, gay and straight, the naive and the experienced -- embody the essence of human vulnerability -- disease, loneliness, ostracism, and death -- and the aching beauty of human resilience in the face of despair.

*About "Koolaids: The Art of War":* "The AIDS epidemic in America, and the Lebanese civil war, are combined here by Alameddine into a provocative, emotionally searing series of connected vignettes... Often sexually frank or jarringly violent... a graphic portrait of two cultures torn from inside.” — Publishers Weekly


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Students Find Smell Slightly Disturbing

HASS-D, from Page 1

over other findings by the HASS Overview Committee which pre-

sented the motion.

One of the committee’s most controversial findings was a pro-

posal to add to the set of basic HASS principles the following statement:

"HASS offerings are meant to complement science and engineering at MIT and to emphasize other methods and modes of discourse.

After reading the report, "The purpose of this addendum is to con-

vey a clearer picture to students and faculty alike of the relationship of HASS to the broader MIT curricu-

lum."

The committee cited programmatic requests made by students to

influence the content of HASS courses. The idea is to allow more theory and mathematics offered by the

Department of Linguistics and Philosophy as well as being highly quan-

titative classes in micro- and macroeconomics.

The committee also singled out 9.00 as having "long-standing concerns within the HOC as to its appropriateness for the

HASS-D system."

Professor Steven Pinker who teaches 9.00 drew attention to this

point at the faculty meeting. Pinker objected to the "two-cultures" point of view, that humanities and science are necessarily separate and should not be incorporated into the same class. It would be "bizarre to have an implied requirement that enables one way to look at HASS," Pinker said.

According to the report, the HOC is currently considering the appropriateness of 9.00 for HASS-D classification.

Bette Davis, coordinator of the HASS office, said that the clarifica-
tion was actually to make a more "black-and-white" distinction for determining what classes from other universities should earn students HASS credit.

One point made several times during the discussion about HASS principles was that the new bullet, while intended to make HASS more well-defined, was difficult for many faculty members to understand.

Davis also said that this description of HASS classes is internal to the HASS department, and will not be voted on by the faculty.

Distribution to change again
Since the HASS-D program was set up in 1988, there have been five categories of HASS-D classes.

Categories 1 and 2 correspond to humanities classes, 3 to arts, and 4 and 5 to social science classes.

The current requirements were implemented in 1994, six years after HASS-D’s inauguration, following the recommissioning by that year’s Overview Committee, headed by Professor Harriet Ritvo. That report specified that its changes should be reviewed in this year.

Reasons for change cited
Dean of Humanities Philip M. Knottner cited several reasons for the proposed changes, mainly that the new requirement would be easier for students and advisers to understand.

In addition, it offers students more flexibility in choosing their HASS courses. "Fields are increasingly cross-disciplinary," he said, a property that is reflected by the increased flexibility.

These changes will be followed-up on in another review to take place next January.

PROFIT NOT A DECISIVE FACTOR

i-Campus, from Page 1

Microsoft or MIT. "If you want to have an impact, it’s better to give the stuff away," he said.

He also mentioned Kerberos and Zephyr, two technologies which origi-
nated at MIT but expanded to world-
wide usage, and noted that free soft-
ware often becomes widely accepted.

"These were things that MIT students developed 17 years ago, and now they are the standard," Abelson said.

"This is a nice opportunity for stu-
gent groups to do cool things. It’s a part of the institution that is under the control of students," Abelson said.

i-Campus, a five to ten year $25 million research contract between

Microsoft and MIT, provides for the funding of MIT educational programs which incorporate new technology.

The committee, co-chaired by Abelson and Microsoft employee Peter Pathe, also includes Thomas L. Magnanti, the dean of MIT’s School of Engineering, Viji Kumar, director of the Academic Computing department, and two other Microsoft employees, Anoop Gupta and William Vahala.

pinko Questions HOC Clarifications

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"It was nasty," said Joanne Lee ’00, who had to be in Student Center Friday night preparing a pre-

sentation when the smell had reached its relative peak. "It was even in the stairwell." According to Lee some others commented, "It smells like butt."

Some don’t notice stench
Some were left altogether unaf-
cfected. According to one Tenenbaum’s neighbors, closed doors between the Student Center and the ice cream shop helped to keep the smell out.

Anderson could not comment on whether the smell from the paint affected ticket sales.

The Campus Activities Complex used deodorant spray and put up fans to try to ventilate the area, according to Michael W. Foley, associate director for operations for CAC.

Using rotten paint for sets can be a common pitfall. "We’ve almost made the same mistake before," said Ashwin G. Deshpande, G a member of the

Gilbert & Sullivan Players which recently switched to latex-based paints for their sets. Usually for G&S, there is enough time to buy a new paint in the event the old paint has gone bad, Deshpande said.

"The bad paint has been thrown away," Anderson said adding that the MTG managing board will discuss the possibility of switching from casein to latex-based paints.

The sets are now being stored in the shop in the basement of Walker shared by MTG and other theater groups waiting to be cleaned. Anderson said. Parts of the sets included G&S owned material.

"We are planning to discuss the condition of the shared materials with MTG," Deshpande said.

The paint using by MTG was Ronco’s Deep Colors line. It is used for its matte, non-reflective finish and has a normal shelf-life of 18-24 months. In guidelines for using the paint, the company warns, "Once wet paint spoils, you cannot use the paint and assume the smell will disappear after the coating has dried. The smell will not go away and there is very little that can be done to remove it."
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Student Alleges MIT Tried To Coerce Him

Yoo, from Page 1

Herald that the COD employed “outchamber” tactics.

The statement of the complaint also alleges that MIT attempted to coerce Yoo into waiving his Fifth Amendment rights. It also alleges that “MIT’s and President Vest’s actions were motivated by an interest in defacing liability from MIT in the death of one of its students” as well as outright MIT’s housing system and on campus housing shortage.

Vest was named in the case because he has the power to grant Yoo’s appeal of the COD’s decision. Vest is named both as an individual and in his capacity as president of the Institute.

Racial discrimination alleged

The suit also claims that MIT “imposed a disparate penalty on [Yoo] because of his race.”

Burke said that the claim of race discrimination is based on the fact that only two individuals were punished as a result of Krueger’s death and that Yoo, the only non-caucasian, received a disproportionally severe punishment. Burke supported his claim by reference to the report of the Suffolk County District Attorney and Executive Martin III which concluded that the entire Fiji house was responsible rather than any individual.

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Equestrians Finish In Eighth
Poor Team Showing is Balanced by Individual Successes

By Jenny J. Lee

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Two-Dance.

In Rumba, Langer and G. Zemlyakova took first with Bernstein and Dolgovina in second

Dancers Rumba, Swing Way to Several Awards

The afternoon events continued in the same vein as the morning. Despite the small number of MIT
couples participating in the competition, the team brought back several ribbons at the Silver level, and

finished the regular season as the only one with a spectacular performance. Testa had the race of his

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Three Tech Runners Finish In The Top 100

Deepest provides strong substitutes - Also stepping to the line for MIT is Captain William Johnston '00 and Christopher M. Tosta '03. Nolan was one of MIT's top five runners in the annual Tech's eighth-ranked barrier, but has filled in for number five man Phillip '00 during the season. Nolan finished the regular season as the only one with a spectacular performance. Testa had the race of his life. He obviously was feeling good and was doing exactly what Coach Taylor-had told him to do.

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GET TO THE GOOD PART.
Despite Two Key Injuries, Team Accomplishes Goal of Finishing in Top Fifteen

The seven place finish at Division III Nationals in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. Despite two key injuries, Team Accomplishes Goal of Finishing in Top Fifteen. The team pulled off the successful finish despite losing two of their top two runners to injuries. The team carefully planned strategy since racing in Oshkosh two months ago, the team had been contemplating its strategy for the meet. Their conclusion was to go out conservatively: “A combination of poor results at the national preview meet, combined with the fact that most runners at nationals run the first mile significantly faster than the team, or the miles of the race, led us to the strategy of a combination of place and time goals for mile one that initially would appear to put us totally out of the race,” Tyler said.

A risky strategy on a twisty, narrow course, but one that is well suited to Oshkosh’s flat and grassy course, which winds through the wide-open fairways of a local golf course.

Leading the charge for MIT would be Daniel R. Feldman ’02. Feldman emerged as a star last year by setting the Indoor Track Freshman 5000m record, and the start of his sophomore year as been no let down. He has been Tech’s top finisher at every race he participated in this season. Feldman’s plan for nationals was to start out in about 500m, and then have the first mile on no faster than 4:45 and then finishing strong enough to pass 15 to 20 people and earn All-American status by placing in the top 35. Planning to go out 5-10 seconds back from Feldman was senior captain Christopher S. McGuire ’00. McGuire started the season slow, but over the last month has shown signs of returning to his previous form that has brought him two Outdoor Track 5000m New England Championships. With a good race, McGuire was hoping he could finish in the top 50 overall.

Sean J. Montgomery ’01 was hoping to be 3-7 seconds back from McGuire at the mile. Montgomery was frustrated by poor performances early on an and relying on his superior speed to outkick many competitors over the later portion of the race. Liany Gao ’01 aimed to start out just behind Montgomery. Gao put in over 900 miles this summer to prepare for the national meet.

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Women’s Fencing Defeats Harvard

By Nora Szasz

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