Why do students come to MIT?

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of students interested in science and technology is smaller today than it has been for many years. "This group is smaller, I would say, than it was even in the pre-research days when science was not emphasized at all in educational programs," Hecht said.

This is a problem, Hecht added, that "many people at MIT are very concerned about," he said, "and it's also due to the fact that the changing nature of the profession," he added, "is that it's also due to the fact that there's a lack of teaching as to what an engineer does. You know what a engineer does. You know what an engineer does for a living."

A large part of the problem, Hecht said, is that there is a lack of teaching as to what engineering actually is. "Many people at MIT, RPI, Dartmouth and Princeton, Yale, Cornell, and MIT's final applicants."

The newly formed Student Personnel Office will be running annual visits to the campus. The report says that additional research into the effects of these influences is needed to enable the Institute to enhance their usefulness as information sources.

Factors in the decision

"There is a single influence judged negatively," in the student's decision-making process, according to the report. "It is total cost, counterbalanced by a large number of positive influences." Most MIT applicants seem to place quite a bit of emphasis on academic measures, such as size, student-faculty ratio, variety of course offerings, special programs, and overall reputation. Lesser, but still positive, influences are the location, sites, presence or absence of a graduate school, and other factors.

One of the main weaknesses of the report is that we have no baseline data to compare this set of priorities to," Hecht said. "No studies have been done at other schools with students at this time in their decision-making, so we don't have any way to tell if applicants to others schools in MIT's range are as interested in academic programs as MIT applicants are."

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Room 5-420

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