10-250 problems could be worse

Editor's Note: 10-250, the oldest large lecture hall on campus, has recently been renovated, but some of the "improvements" seem to cause more problems than they alleviate. Looking back, one notices that functional problems seem to have been a basic element of the hall for some time.

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One of the last controversial conclusions of the late report of the Student Committee on Educational Policy is that the hall designated as 10-250 is something less than an ideal place in which to listen to a lecture. This, the largest lecture hall on campus, receives considerable use from some of the largest courses taught here. Obviously, it would be very difficult to do without it. Nevertheless, it is warm, stuffy, ill-lit, and cramped. Some of the difficulty of the courses taught here can doubt be traced to the ease with which one can fall asleep in this room, presuming one can find a place to put one's head. This case with which one can fall asleep in this room, presuming one can find a place to put one's head, is no doubt a basic element of the hall for some time.

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A first step, a simple step, in the direction of improving 10-250 would certainly be to improve the lighting, as to give a reasonable level of illumination. Perhaps something might also be done about reducing the temperature, and changing the seats. This may take some thought though; The Tech carried editorial complaints about 10-250 being too hot in the 1920s, and nothing much seems to have happened since then.

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