Frosh applications top 4,400

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Director of Admissions Peter H. Richardson '48 has announced the current status of the selection procedure for the class of 1982. According to Richardson, 4,447 applications for undergraduate admission have been received. Currently, applications are being reviewed by members of the admissions staff, so that decisions can be made early next month and applicants can be notified by the end of March.

Selecting the prospective members of the class of 1982 is a difficult process, according to Richardson. The applicants are ranked on a scale in accordance with their scholastic and personal attributes. The scholastic evaluation is based on school grades, class rank, types of courses taken, SAT scores, while the personal component is based on interviews, activities, and recommendations.

Male and female applicants are judged by the same standards, however, added attention is given to minority applicants. "For the most part," according to Richardson, "minority students are admitted if they seem able to take on the academic workload." Minority students include Blacks, Puerto Ricans, Mexican Americans and American Indians.

While some MIT students complain about the disproportionate number of women, no effort is being made to ease the admission standards for female applicants. Richardson claims that "we ad-

notes

* The Association of Student Activities (ASA) will be having its annual elections meeting this Sunday, February 26 at 4:30pm in Room 400 of the Student Center. All activities are strongly recommended to have a representative at the meeting.

* MIT Hillel is sponsoring a brunch followed by a General meeting this Sunday, at 1pm in the Buh Room. 10-105. The speaker is Joshua Rubenstein, New England Coordinator of Amnesty International. Topic is "Jews in Trouble." The meeting will start at 1:00pm. All are welcome.

* The Black Graduate Student Association will hold its third annual Ebony Affair dance this Saturday, from 9pm to 2am at Walker Memorial. Dress is semi-formal. Live music will be provided by the band Stratus. Ticket prices are $3.50 for MIT students and $4.50 for all others. For tickets, call x3-4846. Everyone is welcome.

* Deadline for applications for the Second Annual Mr. Simmons Pageant is Feb. 28. For further info, call 738-2972.

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