Show "Deep Throat" in class

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It may be said that it is wrong to prevent people from seeing the movie and deciding for themselves. It is a greater wrong to allow the continued exploitation and exhibition of someone who now only wants to be left alone to heal. Most people go to the registration day movie as a joke. This movie isn't funny.

If people are to decide for themselves, let it be an informed decision. The film belongs in a classroom, along with the testimony of witnesses, Lovelace's own writings, and information on the history and psychology of pornography, kidnapping, brain-washing, and sadomasochism. I believe any reasonable human being who has had access to the information I have seen, heard, and experienced would agree with me. "Deep Throat" should not be shown for profit.

The editors of The Tech received a copy of the following letter sent to Leonard H. Foner '86 in response to his letter (Feedback, Feb. 10).

Dear Mr. Foner,

I empathize with the frustration you must feel because of your elimination from Structure and Interpretation of Computer Programs (6.001) this term. Having been an undergraduate (SB in mathematics '84) and a graduate student (PhD in mathematics '79) as well as a faculty member here for some time, I think I understand what it is like being a student at MIT.

I am sorry that we had to limit enrollment (for the first time in history) and we would like to have any help you can provide in making it so that the problem will not recur. However, I strongly disagree with some of your conclusions. I would like to respond to them from my perspective.

Yes, it is true that the Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Department is in desperate need of new facilities, and it is true that our computer is severely overloaded. But you should not, however, draw the conclusion that we could have predicted and perhaps averted the disaster. 6.001 had an enrollment of between 220 students (in Fall terms) and 320 students (in Spring terms) for the past three years. The system will uncomfor tably support 330 students and it becomes unbearable at about 300 students. At no time in the past three years have more than 330 students appeared in the first lecture. Thus, we have consistently printed 450 copies of notes and other materials for Spring term use. You must imagine our surprise and dismay when 600 students (as counted by Joel Moses) appeared in Room 2e-100 in the first lecture on Tuesday, Feb. 1.

Is this a fluke or is it part of a long-term trend? If it is a trend, we must double the number of faculty and graduate student staff assigned to this subject in the future.

Professor responds to 6.001 complaints

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Class rings may be ordered on February 16 and 17 from 10am to 3pm in Lobby 10. Also, rings ordered last fall may be picked up at this time.