Record number enter Course VI-A

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The class entering the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Cooperative Course (Course VI-A) includes 189 students, according to John A. Tucker, program director.

This year 224 students applied to the program, he said, the highest number of applicants in its 68-year history. That number represents 66.1 percent of the department's sophomores, an increase from 54.1 percent last year.

The department restricted total undergraduate and graduate enrollment in the program to about 230 in recent years due to faculty support problems, Tucker said. It was necessary to "selectively reduce" the number of new students some companies could accept, he said.

The department will be able to accept a class of about 108 students in 1984, Tucker estimated.

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Companies conducted 1068 individual interviews March 1 and 2, Tucker said. The companies made 127 positions available — the largest number of openings ever, he continued.

Two new locations — General Electric Co. Microelectronics Center in North Carolina and International Business Machines Corp. at Kingston, N.Y. — will accept a total of seven students, Tucker added.

Several companies unable to continue cooperative programs at other universities due to budget cuts remain in MIT's program, Tucker noted.

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