said. Cases which involve clear wrongdoing by students do not need to be heard by the COD, she added.

The earliest incident of theft by the three students occurred at SERC last August, Professor of Aeronautics and Astronautics Edward F. Crawley '76, director of SERC, said that his laboratory lost about $12,000 worth of Macintosh equipment, some of which was federally owned and some owned by MIT.

Salois believes that the total value of the equipment stolen in that incident was "closer to $15,000."

The three students also stole $16,000 in computer equipment from a mechanical engineering laboratory on the fourth floor of Building 3 last November, according to Salois.

Mechanical Engineering Lecturer James B. Grimoldi Jr., who administers the lab, said all the equipment taken in this incident was owned by MIT. Because of the theft of "one third of the Macintosh II's in the lab," the number of students able to take Visual Communication Design in (3.704) over IAP had to be cut from 18 to 12, according to Grimoldi, who teaches the class.

He added that it "really said that these students are affecting others' educations that way."

The third incident which has been clearly linked to the three students happened in January at TELAC. Associate Professor of Aeronautics and Astronautics Paul A. Lagace '78, director of TELAC, said the stolen equipment was worth about $1,000, wages and was all MIT property.

Through "discussion and cooperation with the students," Glavin said that almost all of the equipment had been retrieved.

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