Students take un timed tests

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We try to get these people to go to the medical department,” he continued.

The sophomore who took the un timed examination was never given such advice, but said this might be due to her particular TA more than anything else.

Some want more publicity

The program’s most controversial aspect is the fact that students are never told the opportunity for untimed tests exists.

“Different people need different testing situations in order to do well,” said Associate Dean and Section Head Travis R. Men ritz. However, he added, “If it’s going to be an available option, the students are going to want to know about it as soon as possible.”

Abelson was surprised to hear that other subjects do not give students the chance to take examinations without a time limit, adding that “it would be nice if it were an Institute-wide sort of thing.”

Even the sophomore who was allowed to take the test had some reservations. “I don’t think it’s really fair that some people get to take it un timed,” she said. Several students who were doing just as poorly as she was did not have the chance to take the un timed tests, simply because they had never discussed the subject with their TAs, the student said.

“My TA basically told me, ‘I arranged this for you, so you’d better do it,’” the student said.

Students who took the regular- timed examination should not worry about their grades being affected by the few taking the un timed version. “We don’t just throw them into the bin with everyone else,” Abelson said. He added that 6000 has never been graded on a curve, and that the students who are getting the extra time would be unlikely to significantly influence other students’ grades in any case. “We do not blindly assign exam scores,” he added.

Abelson said weekly tutorial sessions are a key ingredient in his being able to determine which students need the extra help. Before a student is allowed to take an un timed examination, the TA must verify that the student understands the material and is simply having problems with the test. “When we go over grades with such a program,” Abelson said, “the tutors have seen this person for an hour every week during the semester.”

ARA may add new delivery services soon

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program, but they don’t realize how much business they could do with such a program,” Gull said. “Domino’s Pizza didn’t do much business here at MIT before the meal card program. Since the program began, the amount of business it has been doing is incredible — right now Domino’s Pizza has virtually a monopoly,” he said.

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Students react to proposal

Students interviewed last night reacted positively to the idea of paying for food delivery with their meal cards.

“I think the program is a great idea because students will have more options to choose from without having to use cash,” said Erin K. Graham ’92. “It’s nice to order from a delivery service, especially when you’re in your room over the weekend and you don’t feel like going to Lobdell or the snack bar.”

A main reason for students’ enthusiasm is the popularity of Chinese food.

“Students want variety, and many of us like Chinese food. If the service is reasonably priced and the food is good, I think most people will like the program a lot,” said Elizabeth A. Booth ’92.

Passersby stop to examine the wares on display at the craft sale in Lobby 10 Thursday and Friday.