Freshmen await the results of the housing lottery. A eager freshmen waited over three hours in line for the information.

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class don't have the math for, even if the course description says the math course isn't a prerequisite.

Abayon also had advice for students interested in UROPs. He failed to get a UROP for pay during his first semester. "I failed miserably because I didn't have the lab skills that the professors want. You should have looked harder at my skills that the professors wanted. I failed to get a UROP for pay during class you don't have the math for, said Smith.

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ting in class, listening to Professor Davison give his lecture and it silts a person in a trench coat and it was clear that this was the person caring in Introductory Chemistry, a student coming into class about ten minutes late, completely out of breath, said, "Some professors, I'm lost, but I had to stick it out to get here."

Donovan, who is active in several music groups and in ROTC, caution-

d that it is possible to do too much. "I think you will know what that happens and be able to eat back. In my experience and what I've seen from other students, it's a lot easier to cut back than to add something," he said.

Both Wrighton and Davison said that learning is an individual skill. Davison talked about the Team-Work program being used in intro-

ducatory chemistry classes. Davison, when "I come here a year ago, the best piece of advice I was given was to work with my classmates. Your classmates are certainly your most valuable resource.

In the third student speech, Sil-

berg also stressed the importance of getting involved early. Silverberg said that finals were much harder than high school finals and worth far more of the grade.

Silverberg warned that finals don't stress too much about finals and worth far more or the final grade. "Don't stress too much about finals. Don't be like me and delay your test. You exam that you know about nothing that you've been studying for the past three months, she said.

Silverberg ended on a cautionary note. Pace record was not designed so that freshmen could blow off all their classes, she said. I know too many people who took too much advantage of pass/no record that they didn't do as well.

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work program being used in innova-

tive, interactive computer classes, saying that it is waiting to find out to which dorm he is assigned before deciding whether to accept the bid or not.

Wrighton said efforts to reduce the crowding situation also created problems. "If we were willing to go back to last year's crowding level, we'd get 60 spaces," said Smith. Last year 228 students lived in crowded rooms.

Freshmen frustrated by system

After hearing the results of the second round lottery, several freshmen who did not receive permanent assignments expressed their frustra-

tion with the housing preference system.

"I really hate this system," said Surya Gangul '97, one of the freshmen who will be coming back to campus next quarter. "I'm just a bit about our research enterprise. MIT is a research institution. What does that mean? Well, it's a very large amount of money that MIT has. Arguably we are the largest and finest academic institution for science and engineering research. At measured in dollars, it's a $700 million dollar per year enterprise. Any researcher is going to talk a lot about his work, but these subjects introduce the principles that you will use in the vast majority of MIT students.

Beyond the requirements in sci-

e, you will find a broad menu of activities planned for this after-

noon include the picnic and the GSC Open House. The picnic, held in Killian Court, is the only campus-

wide graduate student picnic. President Charles M. Vest will speak, and lunches will be provided by MIT.

The Graduate Student Open House will provide an opportunity for new and old graduate students to get to know each other. The Alum-

niae Association will provide ice cream.

At the end of the open house, the GSC will host the Night on the Town tour. Tour guides who are familiar with different hot spots around Cambridge and Boston will take groups of graduate students to Harvard Square, Longwood Street, Quincy Street, and a party held with the Sloan School of Manage-

ment orientation students, Brown said.

Traditionally, the GSC's most popular orientation event is the Boston Harbor Cruise, which will tour Boston Harbor Friday evening. A total of 500 tickets are available at the GSC booth for $5 apiece, but they are expected to sell out.

The GSC will also sponsor a trip to Fenway Park Sunday to watch the Boston Red Sox play against the Kansas City Royals. Two hundred tickets will be available.

David Page answers a question about the biology classes. From the right, Brian White, Boris Magasanik, Page, and Robert A. Weinberg '64 were present to represent the biology department at the "Meet the Frosh" presentation yesterday morning.

Kelly Hunt '97, a freshman still waiting to see if she got into Mac-Gregor, said, "It's just a big hassle." Ryan Cleary '97, said that he has received a bid from a fraternity, but is waiting to find out to which dorm he is assigned before deciding whether to accept the bid or not. However, not all students were dissatisfied with the system. Jenny Wang '97, said that she did not mind the wait because she got her first choice of MacGregor. She added that she would rather have gotten her assignment in the first round, saying, "There has been a lot of anxiety in the past 24 hours."