

OCC unveils new skill program

Officials at Oakland Community College are drafting a program that would train students in careers in computerized manufacturing. The skill is expected to be in wide demand in future industries.

OCC trustees recently directed \$160,000 toward building facilities to house the program inside the college's Auburn Hills campus.

Plans are still developing for the program, which would award an associate (two-year) degree in Computer

Integrated Manufacturing. It could take another year before enrollment is opened, said Auburn Hills campus Provost Christine Gram.

GRAM SAID the program, now one year in the works, could be ready for enrollment by next fall or likely winter term. A college team is being assisted by officials from IBM in the course development.

She said they are still working on a

"needs analysis" for future industry projections on job opportunities in the field.

But a college advisory committee looking into the subject noted that there will be a "high demand" for technicians and training in this field as more industries adapt to it.

COMPUTER Assisted Manufacturing integrates computerization in manufacturing from start to finish — from designing the engineering plans to the

manufacturing end, with computers determining how manufacturing parts are cut out, she said.

She said it's not known yet whether additional faculty members will be needed. The college currently offers an "introductory course" on the subject, she said.

Building construction for the program is expected to be done inside Building A in the Auburn Hills campus and in a robotics laboratory in the campus' High Tech Building.

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WSU puts state 'gift' to use

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Jobless rate now 8.5 %

Temporary auto layoffs and larger-than-normal seasonal job losses caused Michigan's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate to rise by seven-tenths of percentage point to 8.5 percent in January, Richard Simmons Jr., director of the Michigan Employment Security Commission, reported.

The statewide jobless total in January increased by 28,000 to 373,000, Simmons said. In December, 345,000 workers or 7.8 percent of the labor force were unemployed. A year ago, January 1987, the state's jobless rate was 11.1 percent with 454,000 out of work.

Despite the increase in unemployment, Michigan's January 1988 unemployment rate is the lowest for the month since 1979, when the January rate was 7.3 percent.

half of it — \$1,155 million — along to students in the form of loaning equipment.

"I didn't imagine in my wildest dreams that we would be able to do this much good," said WSU Provost Walter S. Jones. He said the instructional equipment fund will be used only for "equipment for the students to use in labs and elsewhere."

THE UNIVERSITY received \$2.53 million during the final days of the 1984-85 legislative session.

The college of liberal arts which delivers about 45 percent of the university's total credit hours, will receive \$357,000, the largest award. The college is contributing another \$68,000, bringing the equipment purchase total to \$425,000.

In all, the fund plus allocations from the 10 colleges and student services will mean 1.6 million in equipment, with all the purchases to be made between now and September 1986.

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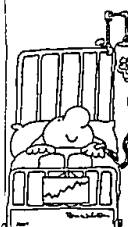
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