Degree in Urban Studies tailored for modern life

By BARBARA BRUMM
Student demand has prompted the University of Michigan at Dearborn to offer a new bachelor of art's degree program in Urban and Regional Studies.
"This program is part of a movement on campus to construct different and diverse programs within the liberal arts tradition which would be applicable to to-day's student professional and job needs," said Dr. Eugene Arden of Southfield, U.M Dearborn provost and dean of academic affairs.
"Students have asked us to form a program like this and we hope that what we teach in this new program will help graduates earn a living by preparing them for to-day's new jobs."
Emphasizing that the new program is not a radical departure from what a college program traditionally is, Arden said, "Instead, we have pooled together various

existing courses from many de-partments on campus into one ef-fective curriculum.

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"WE ARE just offering new options for students to take. Individual departments couldn't handle these options so we need a whole new program to make these options available."

Over 90 percent of the courses that will be included in the program are aiready offered at U.M. Only four new courses will be added to the program. Two of the courses will focus on urban civilization and the other two will be research and field experience courses.

All courses will be available at U.M. Dearborn by September. These courses will deal with both the physical environment and culture and physical design of the city plus focus on how the city functions and what the economics of the city are.

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"Hopefully, we will be able to expand our program here to be attractive to people who want not only just to work in city government but to those who have other careers related to the city, such as journalism and health care."

Students may specialize in three major areas within the program including public policy (including public foliance and administration), urban ienvironment (including environmental science and contemporary social problems), and urban civilization (including and urban civilization (including for today's skills."

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Raising teens just different, young caseworker explains

By JACKIE KLEIN aising teenagers today is no ler than it ever was. It's just

harder than it ever was. It's just different,
That's the assessment of the Southfield Parent-Youth Guidance Commission's new daseworker, Mrs. Martha Harold, She's a pert 24 year old who understands kids because her own expériences as a teen are not far behind her.
"Parents are faced with a different set of situations' today, but kids have always asserted themselves," she said. "Mothers and

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MRS. HAROLD has been with the Southfield agency for two weeks, replacing Robert Cross who was promoted to supervisor in the Oakland County Youth Assistance Program.

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She attended Case Western Reserve University for two years and was graduated from the University of Wisconsin with a degree in social work and concentration in psychology.

Part of her field training in college was working with teens. After graduation, she was employed for two and one-half years with the American Red Cross in Pontiac counseling servicemen, veterans and their families.

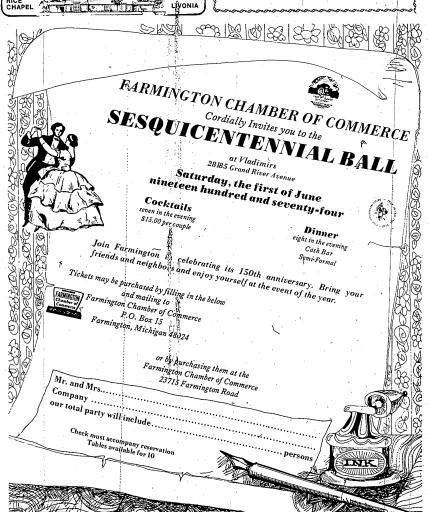
Her new job involves preventative and rehabilitation programs for youths up to 17 and their parents.

"NO CHILD has a problem

"NO CHILD has a problem that doesn't affect his parents," Mrs. Harold said. "Sometimes, kids deny they're having difficulties ad we try to draw them out. But if the young person is unwilling to talk, we can't help him."

The juvenile division of the program, doesn't require a youth to be counseled unless he wants the service, Mrs. Harold explained. Parents must give approval. Parents must give approval en in the community long enough to establish any definite patterns. But she believes the biggest problem between youth and adults is lack of communication.

"Heaven help the He's subject to peer pressures and a variety of "NO CHILD has a problem





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