Ocean Studies Aided by Grant

The University of B.C.'s Institute of International Relations has been awarded a \$170,000 grant by the Donner Canadian Foundation to fund a large, long-term research project on "Canada and the International Management of the Oceans."

Twenty researchers from Law, Commerce, Political Science, Economics, Geography, Slavonic Studies, Applied Mathematics, and Resource Ecology will, under the auspices of the Institute, investigate problems ranging from the international regulation of ship-generated oil pollution, to the politics of ocean fisheries, to the regulation of the commercial and military uses of the seabed.

Institute director Dr. Mark Zacher said the project marks the first time in Canada that a group of researchers from a variety of disciplines have been brought together to study such a broad range of ocean-policy problems.

The Institute of International Relations is part of UBC's Faculty of Graduate Studies and was established in 1970. It is specifically charged with

promoting multi-disciplinary research projects involving faculty and graduate students. While the Donner grant covers the next three years, the Institute's work in ocean research will probably cover at least six to ten years.

Dr. Zacher said there is no comparable research project on ocean policy problems in Canada. "In fact, there are few research centres in the world where such a broad range of issues are being examined," he said.

"Government officials with whom we have been in contact are very interested in our project and have indicated that they are willing to assist the researchers and are eager to review the results of the studies. In 1976, we are planning a major conference involving both government and non-government people to review findings of the studies."

Dr. Zacher said the research project has two central purposes:

(1) Development of a major body of social-science research which will enhance the knowledge of Canadians and others regarding past,

present and future issues in respect international management of the oceans; and

(2) Production of a number of experts international management of the oceans w be able to provide expert advice to gover officials and private organizations in Canato act as public critics of government pot this area.

He said the major question that will unit the studies will be: How have different reguland co-operative arrangements on management tended to affect the interest coastal countries in the past and how different arrangements affect their interests future?

Dr. Zacher said the growing importance oceans, in a world where there is inc concern about the diminution of food and r resources and the quality of the

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Tuition Fees Revised

A revised schedule of tuition fees for graduate students at the University of British Columbia has been approved by the Board of Governors.

Dean Ian McT. Cowan, head of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, said the Faculty's tuition fee structure had been revised in the light of the University's new dedication to providing increased educational opportunities for part-time graduate study and a more flexible tuition-fee structure for both full- and part-time students.

The new tuition fee structure will be effective in the 1974-75 academic year. However, graduate students who wish to pay tuition fees under existing arrangements may do so if it is advantageous to them financially, Dean Cowan said.

NEW STRUCTURE

Under the new tuition fee structure, candidates for master's degrees can elect to pay on the basis of a "year fee" or on the basis of \$60 per unit of course work taken. Most UBC courses carry a unit value of 3

Master's students who pay on a "year fee" basis will pay tuition fees of \$450 each year for two years for a minimum accumulative tuition fee of \$900. Master's degree candidates who pay this \$900 fee will thereafter pay a tuition fee of only \$30 a year.

Tuition fees charged by the University do not include a variety of student-levied fees totalling \$60. Thus, master's degree students who elect to pay on a "year fee" basis will pay \$450 in tuition fees plus \$60 in student-levied fees for a total of \$510.

The introduction of the \$60-per-unit method of paying master's degree tuition fees is designed to encourage part-time study, Dean Cowan said. This is not provided for under the present tuition-fee structure for most master's degrees.

In summary, master's degree candidates will, under the new tuition fee structure, pay \$450 a year for two years and \$30 a year thereafter, in contrast to the present tuition-fee structure of \$400 a year for two years and \$150 a year thereafter.

FEES COMPARED

Dean Cowan said the total amount paid by a master's student who takes an average 2.3 years to complete his or her degree is almost identical under the existing and the new fee structure — \$950 as opposed to \$930.

There are two other wrinkles to the new fee structure for master's students. Those who complete degree requirements in 12 consecutive months will be assessed a total tuition fee of \$600. Those who

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UBC REPORTS CAMPUS EDITION



AMARJEET RATTAN talks about his job as Alma Mater Society Ombudsman. See box on Page Four.

Dean of Women Appointed

Dr. E. Margaret Fulton, a former student at the University of B.C. and a specialist in English literature, is the new Dean of Women at UBC.

The appointment of Dr. Fulton as Dean of Women and as associate professor in the English division of UBC's Faculty of Education was approved by UBC's Board of Governors at its meeting on Feb. 5. The appointments are effective on July 1.

Dr. Fulton is currently associate professor of English at Wilfred Laurier University, formerly Waterloo Lutheran University, in Waterloo, Ont.

Dr. Fulton told *UBC Reports* that her vision of the post of Dean of Women is that of a senior academic position with the basic philosophy of providing the best possible opportunity for both women and men to realize their fullest potential.

The former stereotype of the Dean of Women as a house mother in charge of girls in residence has virtually disappeared, Dr. Fulton said, and the post is changing and developing.

She added that she is also interested in the improvement of working conditions and providing fair employment opportunities for both women and men

The process of change in the concept of the Office of Dean of Women at UBC began in 1959 with the appointment of Dean Helen McCrae to that post. In the ensuing 14 years until her retirement in July, 1973, Dean McCrae gained the respect of both students and faculty members in redirecting the objectives of the Dean of Women's office.

UBC GRADUATE

Dr. Fulton, who succeeds Dean McCrae, was born in Birtle, Man. She has had wide teaching experience in schools and universities in many parts of Canada.

She holds teaching certificates from the Winnipeg Normal School, the University of Minnesota, where she obtained her certificate as a physical education specialist, and the Ontario College of Education as a specialist in English.

After teaching in public and high schools in Manitoba and Ontario from 1942 to 1953, Dr. Fulton enrolled at the University of Manitoba, where she was awarded her Bachelor of Arts degree in 1955.

From 1957 to 1960 she was a graduate student, teaching fellow and lecturer at UBC. She was awarded her Master of Arts degree at UBC in 1960.

Between 1960 and 1966, Dr. Fulton taught at the Collegiate Institute in Fort William, Ont., York University and the University of Toronto. She received her Doctor of Philosophy degree from the University of Toronto in 1969.

Since 1967 Dr. Fulton has been a faculty member at Wilfred Laurier University, where she has taught both general and honors courses. She specializes in the study of Victorian literature.

PARKING POSES CHALLENGE FOR NORTHWEST CAMPUS PLANNING

By Robert W. Collier Associate Professor, School of Community and Regional Planning, UBC

"What this campus needs is better planning!"

This expression of frustration, which we've all heard scores of times, comes from students, faculty, staff members and strangers to the campus alike. It often results from difficulties in finding one's way on campus, or in trying to find a place to park, or from having to walk long distances from parking lot to office or classroom

The problem has been worsened by our attempts to create a "walking campus" in the face of the average / Canadian's attachment to his personal automobile.

We who use campus facilities are now being forced to face up to this crucial question: Are we prepared to come to grips with the growing problems posed by the automobile? Can we - or should we - continue to try to cope with the demand for space to park 10,000 to 12,000 cars on campus? Do we really want to create a safe and pleasant pedestrian environment on campus, and are we prepared to pay for it by leaving our cars at home?

If we agree that a walking campus is what we want, how do we achieve it? Can public transportation to and from the campus, and within the campus itself, be made efficient and cheap enough that large numbers of us will forgo the use of our personal cars?

These issues are becoming critical, particularly for the northwest quadrant of the campus, the area bounded by the arc of the Point Grey cliffs on the north and west, by East Mall and by Agricultural Road just south of the Main Library.

COMMENTS INVITED

This area serves a variety of users and is one of the most densely-populated areas of the campus. (Its daytime population density is comparable to that of Vancouver's West End.)

A committee composed of representatives of a wide range of University departments and interest groups has been wrestling for some months with the problems of planning the northwest campus. That committee now needs — and invites — comments and suggestions from all campus users. Major decisions that will shape the environment of the northwest campus for years to come must soon be made and they should not be made without the broadest possible input from the University

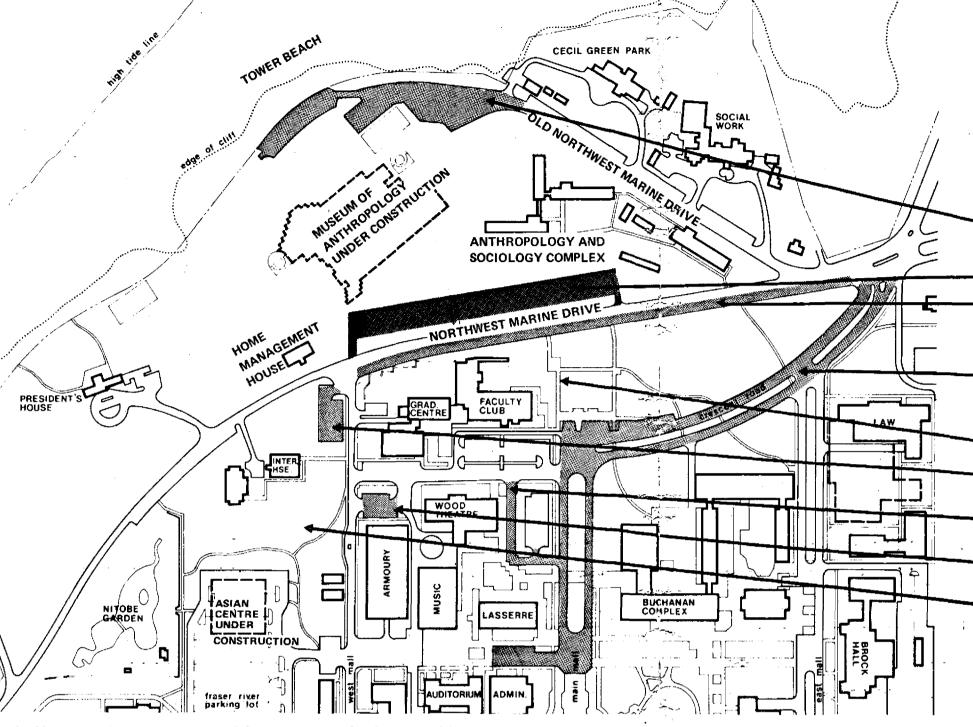
The problems of the northwest campus have been made more acute by the addition of four major buildings in a fairly confined area. Each of these buildings presents its own problems in terms of parking and circulation of people and cars.

The most notable of the new facilities is the Museum of Anthropology now taking shape on the old Fort Camp residence site. This Museum, which will house priceless collections of Northwest Coast Indian art and other artifacts, is certain to be a powerful magnet that will draw in scores of thousands of visitors from off-campus, as well as serving as a major research and student-training centre.

Nearby, on the north end of the Fraser River parking lot and adjacent to the Nitobe Memorial Garden (now the most popular tourist attraction on campus), a new Asian Centre will soon begin to raise its distinctive peaked roof above the treetops. When it is completed. this building will house UBC's Department of Asian Studies and will also be a centre for displays and the performing arts.

Just east of the Museum, three former women's residences are to be renovated and tied together by an addition to form a new home for the Department of Anthropology and Sociology. Students in this department will be moving back and forth between the Fort Camp site and the Buchanan Building and Main

The fourth new building in the area is the new Law Building, now nearing completion at the corner of Crescent Road and East Mall.



In this same northwest quadrant are such facilities as International House, the Faculty Club, the Graduate Student Centre and the Frederic Wood Theatre, all heavily used by students, faculty and staff members and by visitors to the campus.

OPEN TO PUBLIC

Another factor affecting planning in the northwest campus is the recent agreement between the University and the Vancouver Board of Parks and Public Recreation, under which the two bodies will co-operate to develop the areas adjacent to the Museum, and southwest to beyond the Present's Residence, as a park-like setting open to the general public for the first

All of these developments taken together mean greatly increased visitor traffic to the northwest campus, plus increased movement of students and faculty members across Northwest Marine Drive.

Somehow ways must be found to take care of the traffic and parking problems, which can only become more acute, and to move large numbers of pedestrians easily and safely across Northwest Marine.

One proposal currently under study is for construction of an unobtrusive pedestrian bridge across Marine Drive, from somewhere in the vicinity of the Rose Garden at the north end of Main Mall to the Museum area. This would reduce the hazard of crossing a heavily travelled traffic artery. But will people use it?

Another proposal is to close Crescent Road and the northern stub of the Main Mall. This would eliminate one vehicular entrance to the campus, and some parking spaces near the Flagpole and in front of the old Administration Building.

on the edge of the cliff at the end of old Northwest

Yet another would remove 107 more parking spaces along the south side of the present Northwest Marine, westward from the Chancellor Boulevard intersection.

These and a number of other controversial recommendations have been put forward by two consulting firms which have reviewed the problems of the northwest campus and have tried to devise ways to enhance the campus environment, in keeping with the University's master plan of 1968.

But is that really possible? Do students, faculty and staff really care about creating a pedestrian environment on campus? Do we care enough to give up our choice parking spots close to the academic core of the University? Can we find ways to move people to and around the campus other than by private car? Will we be able to reach rational decisions in time?

The evidence thus far is not encouraging. Many people will say that this sort of planning should have '--been undertaken before a decision was made to place buildings in this area. They will ask why they should give up their accustomed parking spaces. For whom does the University exist, anyway?

Several compromises are under consideration Obviously, better public transit is needed under any ircumstances, but a park-and-ride development would be a further possibility. For example, would the Vancouver Parks Board consider allowing UBC students Another proposal is to eliminate 134 parking spaces of hand faculty to park in their lots at Spanish Banks and be ransported by bus to the campus? Would a better system of intra-campus transit be a possibility? Could we coffer special inducements to those who utilize car pools?

NET BENEFIT

Finally, if people insist on bringing their cars, it appears that it will be necessary to build one or more parking structures on campus. The cost might be amortized in other ways than by individual parking rates or charges. For example, would some of the oil companies be willing, as a public service, to invest in a parking structure in which they might have the opportunity to offer gasoline and other services for sale to campus users? Or could some of the endowment funds which the University now invests in securities be used to finance a parking structure, provided the rate of return was equivalent? And, most important, can such a structure be designed so that it adds to rather than detracts from, the environmental quality of the campus? Such features as gardens and tennis courts on top of the structure would be an example of a net benefit.

The so-called "environmental crisis", the "energy crisis", the increased emphasis on developing the Lower Mainland around rapid transit rather that the private

Reports now under study on traffic circulation and transportation on campus were prepared by Arthur Erickson/Architects, the firm which is designing the Museum of Anthropology, and by John Graham Consultants Ltd., a Seattle-based traffic engineering and planning firm.

The proposals and implications listed below and indicated on the map are a composite of suggestions made in the two reports.



Parking to be created



Roads and parking to be eliminated

- Eliminate parking (134 spaces) at the end of Old Northwest Marine Drive near Museum of Anthro-
- Create 100-space parking lot adjacent to Museum of Anthropology.
- Eliminate parking on the south side of existing Northwest Marine Drive (107 spaces) and develop it as major northern entrance to the campus, west of intersection of Chancellor Boulevard and Crescent
- Close Crescent Road and northern portion of the Main Mall. This would result in elimination of 18 parking spaces on Crescent Road, 13 spaces at the flagpole, and 18 spaces on the south side of the Frederic Lasserre Building.
- Construct pedestrian overpass from vicinity of Rose Garden to Museum of Anthropology.
- Eliminate parking lot adjacent to International House (26 spaces) and widen West Mall entrance to
- Close existing access roads to the Frederic Wood Theatre parking lot. This means elimination of 8 parking spaces immediately in front of the theatre.
- Create major bus and car drop-off point at north end of Armory. This would involve elimination of 20 metered-parking spaces.
- Create series of paths and trails from main campus to area surrounding the Museum of Anthropology.
- Build one or more parking structures on campus. Provide improved bus service to UBC from off-campus points and create on-campus transit

system travelling via perimeter roads.

automobile, and other related issues make this discussion. even more complex. Should we really be spending this much time planning for and trying to provide services for the private automobile?

It is probable that if appropriate transit services are provided, increasing numbers of faculty and students would be willing to use them, but because of the number of facilities in the northwest campus it appears that further accommodation must be provided for the private automobile.

We have two choices - one is to attempt to provide the structures and facilities that will harmonize with this environment, the other is to keep allowing cars to poke into every nook and cranny on- and off-campus until we are one continuous sea of metal and glass and rubber.

I am not optimistic that we will do anything but the

The proposals outlined in the above article by Dr. Robert Collier are currently under study by a President's Ad Hoc Committee to Consider Campus Transportation and Circulation Study Reports, chaired by Mr. Neville Smith, Director of UBC's Department of Physical Plant. Because the proposals will affect thousands of people who use the campus daily, the committee invites faculty and staff members and students to make their views known to the committee by contacting or writing to Mr. Smith. The editor of UBC Reports also invites short articles or letters to the editor on any of the topics

Degree Applications Called for by Registrar

No application, no degree.

That's the word from the Registrar's Office, which again reminds students who expect to graduate this year that they must submit an "Application for Graduation" card.

The cards are used to compile a list of candidates for degrees, which is submitted to the Faculty in 2/UBC Reports/Feb. 13 1974

which the graduating student is registered and to UBC's Senate.

Cards have been mailed to students in Arts. including Fine Arts and Music; Commerce; Science; and Elementary Education. Fifth-year students in Secondary Education should also have received cards by mail. Any student in the above programs who hasn't received a card by mail should check with the Registrar's Office (Local 2844) to ensure his or her local mailing address is correct.

Students in the graduating year of all other Faculties can obtain Application for Graduation cards from their Faculty offices. Students in Graduate Studies should apply to their graduate advisors for

Deadline Set for \$200 Awards

UBC undergraduates have until March 15 to submit applications for 1973-74 Government of B.C. Scholastic Awards.

The cash awards of \$200 will be made to the top 17 per cent of full-time undergraduate students enrolled at UBC for the current Winter Session.

Applications for the awards are available at the UBC Awards Office, Room 207 in the Buchanan

Officials in UBC's Awards Office emphasized that undergraduate students are eligible to receive the awards even if they are not planning to continue their studies in 1974-75. To be eligible, applicants must currently be enrolled in a full program of undergraduate studies.

Students currently enrolled in the Faculty of Graduate Studies or registered as "Qualifying" or "Unclassified" are not eligible for the awards.

Senate Resumes Debate

Debate on the Universities Act resumes Saturday (Feb. 16) when the University of B.C.'s Senate holds its third special meeting to deal with recommendations of its ad hoc committee on the Act.

The committee, formed in May, 1971, last fall produced 20 recommendations on a new Act which would determine the governing structure of the universities of the province.

At its last special meeting on Feb. 6 one of the smallest Senate gatherings of the session argued how Senate itself should function under the new Act. Senators supported recommendations of its ad hoc

committee which would have Senate continue in much the way it does now. There was widespread agreement, however, that Senate now conducts its business poorly.

Much of the debate concerned a motion by Dr. A.D. Scott of the Department of Economics and Dr. Sydney Friedman, head of the Department of Anatomy, that the ad hoc committee consider replacing Senate with two bodies.

"Senate is not functioning properly," Dr. Friedman said, and the ad hoc committee chaired by Dean A.J. McClean of the Faculty of Law proposed an analysis of the situation which was "less complete than it might have been."

The two bodies to replace Senate would have the same powers and carry out the same functions, according to the Scott-Friedman proposal, but would differ in the mix of their memberships.

One body would be composed predominantly of faculty members though there would be student and community representation. The second body would have some faculty representation and deans would also be members, though the membership would be chiefly students and community representatives.

Dr. Scott predicted that the first body would get on with the academic business of Senate while the second would be concerned with part-time students. constitutional affairs, continuing education and other

Mr. Svend Robinson, a student Senator, said that there is no reason why academic matters should be left in the hands of faculty members nor should faculty members become less concerned about continuing education and part-time students.

Mr. Robinson said the two bodies would mean a net gain of power for faculty members to the detriment of student and community representation.

Dean McClean said his committee had considered both the tricameral system is use in Alberta and the proposal by Dr. Scott and had rejected them. He said the committee didn't think that the reason for Senate not performing properly was because of its large size.

-Dean McClean said the committee thought that Senate would have time to get down to academic business if it stopped dealing with details and delegated more work to its committees.

After a long debate Senate rejected the Scott-Friedman motion that the ad hoc committee consider a bicameral system for Senate.

30 Bursaries Offered to **B.C. Students**

Thirty bursaries worth \$3,000 plus return air transportation are available to anglophone students in any Faculty of a B.C. university who wish to continue their studies at a Canadian francophone university during the 1974-75 academic year,

The bursary scheme is sponsored by the B.C. Department of Education and the federal govern-

In return for the bursary the recipient has to agree to serve as an assistant to a teacher of English at a secondary school close to the university chosen for six to eight hours a week from September through to the following May.

Applications forms and detailed information on the scheme are available from the French Program Co-ordinator, Department of Education, Parliament Buildings, Victoria V8V 1X4. Applications must be submitted by April 15.

A TOUGH QUESTION

By JIM BANHAM Editor, UBC Reports

Amarjeet Rattan — 22-year-old AMS ombudsman, fourth-year political science student, and someone who says he "gets the most satisfaction out of helping other people" — shook his head, fiddled with his pencil, and said: "Boy, that's a tough question."

It was.

What advice would you give to University administrators if they want to avoid the kinds of problems that students bring to you as AMS ombudsman?

A tough question, but one that Amarjeet has some answers to.

"A lot of the problems I have to deal with are the result of misinterpretation by students of some rule or regulation of a University department or Faculty.

RULES OBSCURE

"Faculty members and department secretaries often don't realize that a regulation they're used to applying frequently may seem obscure or unjust to the student who encounters it for the first time.

"Many departmental regulations aren't written down and available to students. A difficult regulation may get garbled when it's given to a student by word-of-mouth.

"So that's one thing — regulations should be in written form and in language students can understand. This assumes, of course, that there have to be regulations. I think every Faculty and department ought to review its regulations regularly to see if some of them can't be eliminated or to make sure there aren't internal conflicts.

"Another thing — I think the University and the Alma Mater Society ought to get together and develop some kind of central information outlet that would provide help and guidance to students and other people visiting the campus.

"Right now, a lot of students and, I guess, a lot of casual visitors to the campus simply don't know where to go to get information. It would save them a lot of time and reduce frustration if there was a central campus location where anyone could go for help."

On the whole, Amarjeet says, University Faculties and departments are very helpful when he contacts them about a problem which a student has raised. "No one has ever closed the door on me and in some cases student records have been shown to me in support of the department's position."

Some records, Amarjeet agrees, have to remain

confidential but University officials are always willing to discuss the problems of specific students and take a second look at a ruling.

"There's a lot of diplomacy involved in being the AMS ombudsman," Amarjeet says, "and you have to be as neutral as possible in dealing with both students and and faculty members."

When Amarjeet has finished an investigation, he carefully explains to the student who has requested it all the steps he's taken to determine the Faculty or department position. "Even when the problem hasn't been resolved in the student's favor, he or she is usually satisfied that at least every avenue has been explored in relation to the complaint," Amarjeet says.

At this point in the University year Amarjeet has a half-dozen or more problems simmering on his desk every week. "I was really surprised to find that I got a great many telephone calls at home last summer from students who needed help," he says.

The month of September tends to be the busiest of all, but most students at that time simply want information about where to go and what they have to do to complete registration.

"It was so bad last September that I decided to collect information from every Faculty to be able to give students a little help in selecting their courses," Amarjeet says. He hastens to add, however, that he doesn't advise students when Faculty or department regulations don't cover a particular student's problem. In such a case he arranges for a student to see a Faculty or department advisor to sort out the problem.

Once students are settled down in their academic programs, Amarjeet says, he starts to get other types of problems dealing with everything from housing through traffic to the marks a student gets on examinations.

"When I was elected to this post last year I discovered that the ombudsman's office was hidden away on the second floor of SUB with the rest of the AMS executive," Amarjeet says. "As a result I was inaccessible to a large number of students who simply wouldn't or couldn't find me upstairs."

MOVED OFFICE

Just before registration last year Amarjeet moved his office down to Room 100A on the main floor of SUB. He's there Monday through Friday from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. and he reckons that he puts in about ten hours a week investigating student problems.

He also wants students to know that he can be contacted by telephone during the noon-hour break. He can be reached on Local 6193.

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environment, is illustrated by the intensive negotiations on the law of the sea which have taken place in the UN Seabed Committee since 1967, and plans for law of the sea conferences in Caracas in 1974 and Vienna in 1975.

Canada is vitally interested in these discussions because it has the longest coastline in the world, a continental margin which is half of its land territory, and some of the world's richest fishing grounds adjacent to its coast, added Dr. Zacher.

He said that while the conferences are likely to produce some general agreements covering the law of the sea, details of these agreements will take years to work out and will create many new problems in the process.

For example, the establishment of a 200-mile fishing zone would provide coastal countries such as Canada with the options of excluding the fishing

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boats of other countries, allowing them to fish without charge and/or within certain quota limits, charging them rent for fishing in the area, or forcing them to buy ships in exchange for fishing rights.

Dr. Zacher said that the major reasons why the Institute decided to make Canada's role in international management of the oceans its central research focus are the large number of faculty members and students in graduate studies at UBC involved in some aspect of ocean research and the increasing importance of marine resources and the marine environment to Canada and to B.C. in particular.

TUITION FEES

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complete degree requirements in 18 months will pay \$750. Student-levied fees are extra in both cases.

Tuition fees for students earning a doctor's degree have also been revised.

At present, candidates for a doctor's degree pay \$400 a year for four years and \$150 a year thereafter. The new tuition fee structure provides for payment of \$450 for three years and \$30 per year thereafter.

The effect of the new tuition fee structure for doctor's degree candidates who complete requirements in an average of five years is to reduce the total fee paid by \$340. Doctoral candidates also pay \$60 annually in student-levied fees.

Dean Cowan said the revised tuition fee structure had been discussed with the executive committee of the Graduate Students' Association, which supports the proposal.

Faculties to Elect 196

UBC's Senate has now approved recommendations that will result in the election of 196 students as full voting members of UBC's 12 Faculties.

Over a period of a year Senate discussed the question of student representation on Faculties on five separate occasions. The discussions led to the approval of guidelines governing student representation as well as regulations on such questions as who shall conduct elections and who is eligible for election.

At its January meeting Senate approved a Faculty of Graduate Studies proposal that will result in the election of 35 graduate students to membership in the Faculty. Proposals for student representation in UBC's 11 other Faculties were approved at meetings in November and December, 1973.

The Faculty of Graduate Studies sought to depart from the Senate guideline that the total number of students eligible to attend Faculty meetings should not be less than 5 per cent and not more than 25 per cent of the number of members of the teaching staff.

Imposition of this guideline would have meant that a minimum of 60 students would have had to be elected to the Faculty of Graduate Studies which, because of its University-wide scope, has a membership of 1,200 persons.

The Graduate Students' Association will conduct the election of student representatives to the Faculty.

The Registrar's Office, which is conducting the election of students to the Faculty of Arts, has received a total of 14 nominations for the 27 positions open. Eight nominees have been elected by acclamation and two students are contesting each of three additional positions.

New Phone System Set

A new Wide Area Telephone Service, designed to reduce long-distance telephone costs for UBC, will go into operation on the campus on April 1.

The WATS system will apply to long-distance calls made to all points in Canada and the United States, with the exception of the State of Washington, the Lower Mainland of B.C. and Vancouver Island. The City of Victoria is included in the WATS system, however.

When the new system begins operation, here's how to make a long-distance call:

Dial 80 on any UBC telephone to speak to the WATS operator at the UBC telephone exchange.

2. Give the operator your name and number, the name of the city you are calling and the area code and number you wish to reach.

3. The UBC operator will immediately dial the number you have requested while you hold the line. The caller must ask for his or her party when the connection is completed.

4. If the circuits or number requested are busy the UBC operator will ask the caller to hang up. The call will be placed again a short time later and when complete the UBC operator will contact the caller.

Long-distance calls to points in Washington State, the Lower Mainland of B.C. and Vancouver Island, with the exception of Victoria, will continue to be made by normal long-distance facilities.

The WATS service will be available during normal University working hours. At night or on weekends regular long-distance facilities should be used.

Senate Shortens Summer Session

UBC's Senate has approved shortening of Summer Session to six weeks despite an expression of concern by the Faculty of Arts that such a move would result in erosion of academic standards.

Before approving the proposal at its Jan. 16 meeting Senate also rejected a Faculty of Arts resolution and a motion by Prof. Robert M. Clark, director of the Office of Academic Planning, that the question be referred to a Senate committee for study.

As a result of adoption of the proposal, UBC's 1974 Summer Session will run from July 2 to Aug. 10, including a single day of exams on Aug. 10.