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We Live in the Present
By the Past, but
for the...
Welcome to the land of higher education. "Higher than what?" you might ask. A perfectly legitimate question. The answer is simple. When you leave here you're either higher(d) or go on relief.

This university is designed for the sole purpose of educating those who wish to be educated, if it is not your particular desire to be further educated at this institution, get out now, don't be sucked into a college situation because you feel you should, or you feel that your parents want you to.

If you were shopping comparatively, you would discover that this particular school offers a great deal for the individual student. There are counselors, advisors and professors willing to be your friends. There is a Development Center, problem solving, reading, study habits, etc. The student at FTU has a fighting chance or survival, which is more than can be said for some of our larger sister universities.

Our point is that if this is what you want, and you have resolved to get all you can from this opportunity, we're glad you have joined our community of students, faculty and staff. If, however, you purpose not to achieve, get out. Someone was not admitted to FTU because you were. Don't deprive him of this chance.

There is no disgrace to not attending college. There is nothing wrong with delaying your formal education for a while. Those high school graduates who have been in Europe or bum around this country, working odd jobs and living off the land for a year or so before going to college, come in with a fresh approach. They know what they want out of life and understand themselves better. Perhaps that type of program would interest you.

If we haven't talked you out of staying, we're pleased. Our intention is simply to warn incoming students that college professors will think you as quickly as they will look at you. Obtaining A's from most professors is like pulling hurt's teeth. If you do the work, you get the grade. If you don't work, you won't get. No tears will be shed at the university if you flunk out. You wouldn't be the first. The highest rate of student failures comes within the first three quarters of a college career. Take a light load during that time, and work like mad to stay there. It's worth it.

President's Message

Welcome to your University. As you begin or continue your quest for knowledge at FTU, you join faculty, staff and students who are partners in learning.

The academic challenges you will face here, and the manner in which you meet them, will build the relationships that are established and developed as you become involved in contributing a share of your talents and abilities to campus life.

You are on the threshold of a great experience that should be exciting and rewarding. It will call for your dedication and determination to achieve the goals that you have set for yourself. Hopefully, it will enhance your realization that knowledge is a never-ending pathway to personal fulfillment.

I look forward to our association and to having you on our campus.

Charles N. Mellick
President
Florida Technological University
If you think you'll be one of those unfortunate students who will have a conflict in his class schedule of some other registration problem this fall, try to derive some comfort from the knowledge that you won't be alone. In fact, due to the cancellation of advance registration, you'll have a lot more company than you've had in more than a year, if you're a returning student. If you are a first-year student and worry about a thing; you'll never know the like.

This year registration will be held in the Village Center Multi Purpose Room in the Administration Building from first registration in September 1968. But, unlike 1968, the process will not be confined solely to the VC. A short walk from the Multi Purpose Room to the Administration Building will provide a pleasant, if not a warm, break from the frustration and formality of the first half of registration.

One source of advice: If you're a religious person, pray the computer hookups to Gainesville don't break down this fall. September is too hot a month to stand at the window and watch a smoking shade of the VC pass out the flow of students to register.

Take heart, though, if there's a severe computer problem, you'll be able to register within a week when you leave the VC and go by the Computer Center to get your class schedule and fee assessment statement before trekking over to the Administration Building. Just remember to follow the directions on the sheets given you by the persons along the registration line. If you get lost or confused — AIX someone for help. It is advisable, however, to ask someone who knows what's going on (if that is such an animal during registration). Great problems have arisen when students have asked help from other students who are just as confused as they are.

There will be more problems to be confused this year, too. Approximately 2,000 new and transfer students are expected which will bring FTU's population to about 7,000 persons. That's a far cry from the first class in fall 1968 when the enrollment figure was 1,492, a nice figure for the "banding" class of a new university. Enrollment has doubled twice, once in 1969 and again in 1970, when the figure was 5,118. Enrollment for 1971 went over the 6,000 mark — 6,165 official registration figures.

As an indication of FTU growth, the enrollment figures may be compared with projections released by the Florida Board of Regents in February 1969. The Florida Board of Regents estimated the 1971 fall enrollment would be 1,125 — 3,015 less than actual figures.

According to the 1969 figures, FTU was projected to have a fall enrollment of about two years. The 1971 enrollment was set at 4,902 again about 2,000 less than now expected; the 1973 enrollment at 5,500, and the 1974 enrollment at 7,176.

I would try to remember those numbers when you're standing in three hour long registration lines and know you're not alone — as much as you might wish you were!

The college will have priority over students of any other school who have advisor approval. This help will continue to be located in the center of the Multi Purpose Room.

STATION NO. 3 (Multi Purpose Room): Turn in registration forms. Place of registration is open by the time classes begin, the end of the quarter. Most of the movies, rooms will have chess, cards, and they are shown in the Assembly games. The Satin Room of the Village Center Multi Purpose Room; October, and its neighbors.

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