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MIKE OTTO

IN FAVOUR OF FOUR MSA President Aaron Knox prefers the current system.

U of A Med has no plans to change

MED SCHOOL • CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

"I really cherish the summers off. It gives us opportunities to work, to research, to travel, to shadow, to think about what we want to do, and to diversify our interests. There's a lot more freedom to do things in the summer," Knox said. "With the three-year program, you get forced very early on to say, 'I'm going to go for this specialty' or 'I want to do this' and focus all your energy there.'"

Even with the apparent benefits of the three-year program, the U of A has no immediate plans to revamp its current medical program, especially as U of A students placed first in the country for the first portion of the Medical Council Exam in 2007.

"We know what we're doing right now works pretty well. Our students are considered desirable by postgraduate program directors. They're considered to be competent, and they're performing very, very well. So, many of us would take the viewpoint that

'if it ain't broke, don't fix it.' But if there were some compelling reasons to change, we would do it," Rayner explained.

Rayner also emphasized that while the editorial put forth some provoking questions regarding medical education, there needs to be more direct comparisons and data collection done before either system can be seen as superior. As of now, it appears that having the choice to decide between either of the programs benefits students, depending on what they value or require most.

"The ideal situation is one of choice. I don't think all medical schools should be a three-year program or that all medical schools should be a four-year program. People go into medicine for different reasons, and they enter into the field at different periods in their lives. [It depends on what] scenario is best for you as an individual," Knox said.

"It's nice to have the option to choose a three-year or four-year program."

CAMPUS CRIME BEAT

Compiled by Cody Civiero & Tom Wagner

FREEZER GEEZER

At 1:30am on 6 January, Campus 5-0 came across an elderly male walking on the road on 87 avenue. The man was very disoriented and lost, and told officers that he had been walking around in the cold for several hours looking for the hospital outpatient residence where he was supposed to check in. CSS officers drove the man to the hospital and, with the help of hospital security officers, ensured that he was able to check into the residence.

PLEASE INSERT PAYMENT IN TRAY 3

At about 2:30pm on 9 January, store staff reported that a male was observed trying to steal a printer from the Bookstore in SUB. The suspect was outside the store attempting to remove the printer from its box when a staff member approached him and asked to see a receipt. The suspect told the staff member that he had left the receipt inside the Bookstore. When the staff member asked the suspect to return to the book to check for the receipt, the suspect quickly walked away without the printer. The suspect is described as 50-60 years of age, of medium height, and wearing black-rimmed glasses. If you see this man, please contact Campus Security immediately.

OLD-TIME CREDIT CARD FRAUD

On 10 January at 6pm, Campus Security received a report that an unidentified male had just purchased items from a merchant in HUB Mall using a wom-

an's credit card. The male then fled the area via the LRT. Further investigation revealed that the card had been stolen from a University office. The male is described as approximately 45 years of age, stocky, and overweight, and wearing a blue ski jacket with a rip in the back and "nerdy" glasses. This crime is currently under investigation by both the EPS and CSS. If you any information, please contact Campus Security.

AT LEAST IT'S NOT A CAT

In the early hours of 14 January, Campus Security and the Edmonton Fire Department responded to a fire alarm in Schäffer Hall. An unidentified individual had left a bag of popcorn in a microwave for an extended period of time, causing the bag and the microwave to catch fire. Damage is estimated at around \$200.

TOO MUCH SACRAMENTAL WINE

On 14 January at 7:00am, Campus Security responded to a report of a suspicious male attempting to enter offices within St Joseph's College. Upon arrival, a male well known to Campus Security was found attempting to access an office while in an intoxicated state. The male voluntarily turned his intoxicants over to Campus Security officers and was then escorted off University property without charges.

CAMO FAILS TO CONCEAL PACK

Around noon on 11 January, Campus Security received a report of a stolen backpack containing a laptop at Clare Drake Arena. The backpack and laptop had been left on the players' bench while the complainant was participating in activities on the ice. The backpack is described as black-and-white camouflage and containing a Toshiba computer.

STREETERS

Compiled and photographed by Steve Smith and Ryan Shippelt

As you may be aware, rappers 50 Cent, Timbaland, and Mary J Bilge have recently been implicated in a steroid scandal.

First athletics, now rap—where will steroids spread next?



Amy Follingo
Arts I



Ewen "I'm in Streeters like so frigg' much" Lavoie
Science III



Sarah Dunn
Arts I



Adrian Kense
Science I

I guess academics. Or the engineers so they could get buff and get girls. Porn.

Clowns. That way they could lift really big objects, and that would be funny. Like a giant phone [so it wouldn't have to be made of foam anymore]. It would be a feat instead of just a joke.

Daycares. Daycares are going to run rampant with steroids as each kid tries to beat up every other kid in the sandbox.



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