

» Grades

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“To get the A you fulfill the objectives,” she said. “An A is what it is. It is a combination of effort and results fulfilling the objectives.”

Hank Davis, a professor of business, said he thinks students get evaluated on outcome, not input.

“That is because you can’t observe input,” he said. “You can only observe output.”

Davis said it is an individual, not a collective perspective when it comes to effort.

“Someone can say I studied for five hours on this assignment so I have worked hard while the other can say I worked 20 hours,” he said.

Davis said when it comes to grading there are always different perceptions on how a professor grades his students.

“One complaint I hear from students are that grades are subjective,” he said. “Really, the university is paying for my subjective expertise. That is different than saying it is biased.”

Davis said grading is biased when students are graded on other things outside of a course syllabus.

“If the grade in your class is graded on something else not systematically in the syllabus, then that is

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biased,” he said.

Taylor Rakers, a senior economics major, said he thinks most professors on this campus are fair when it comes to grading.

“They are a lot better than other universities in my opinion,” he said.

Rakers said if students want the highest grade they need to put forth effort but also make sure the professor sees what they have learned.

“It will help when the professor knows you know the material by participation,” he said.

Davis said he feels many people are not honest with themselves when it comes to the grades they think they worked so hard for.

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MAKING PROGRESS



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Jim Craven, a masonry foreman, affixes Indiana limestone on the new Textbook Rental Building on Ninth Street Wednesday. The new building is expected to be open in the spring of 2010.

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Jenkins said his department would also use the funds to pay for educational events, including field sobriety tents at the corner of Fourth Street and Lincoln Avenue, which police have used before to show people the effects of alcohol.

The tents allow people to volunteer for a field sobriety test to see the effects of alcohol on them.

Davidson said Eastern will use money from the grant to support alcohol abuse prevention.

“Some parts of the grant will also allow us to continue focusing on alcohol-free tailgating areas at home football games, continued expansion of the Good Neighbor program, and some other environmental prevention activities.”

In 2007, the University Police Department recorded 35 driving-under-the-influence arrests.

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» Food drive

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This kind of effort is going to have a significant impact in terms of helping in times of need, Nadler said.

The judges followed a set of guidelines in critiquing the sculptures.

“There was five criteria for competing in the contest,” Godbey said. “They were judged on creativity, originality, complexity, how clear was the goal, and it had to be an Eastern theme.”

She said it was the first year of the food drive and hopes to make it

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bigger for next year.

Collins is excited that the Greek community got involved to help out the Charleston Food Pantry.

“This community has realized things are tough,” Collins said.

The Charleston Food Pantry will be moving to State Street with two other organizations – the Coles

County Habitat for Humanity and the Coalition of People in Need last June.

The coalition serves all the people in Coles County by helping them with such things as rent and lights.

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