

Natural Law to open university in province

by Jonathan Stone

The Natural Law Party has taken measures to open a Mahrishi Vedic University in Saint John, and says the first course will begin on November 29.

"We're going to start small," said Neil Dickie, one of the organizers. "We have a spacious house in west Saint John."

Enrollment figures were not yet available, nor was the tuition fee, as steps are still being taken towards incorporating the institution with

the province.

"We haven't had a huge number of calls. I'd say there was about a dozen people who are interested," Dickie said.

The curriculum is also not finalized. "We're planning on five kinds of courses to begin with initially," he said.

In the beginning, Natural Law plans to offer practical-type courses like prevention-oriented health care, political leadership, and business consulting, to train people into health educators, specialists in

rehabilitation and crime prevention, all within the framework of Natural Law and the Constitution of the Universe.

"These will have their own flavour, definitely," admitted Dickie.

Dickie said there are five accredited MVU's in the world. Dickie himself holds an MBA from the one in Iowa. "It's quite possible that I will be teaching the business consultant's course," he said.

Will the provincial government recognize another university in New Brunswick?

Advanced Education and Labour Minister Vaughan Blaney said his department is currently reviewing the status of the university legislation, but says the government has not been for nor against such an institution.

"They've made some presentation to various department people," he said.

"We're the only province that may, in fact, not have a university act, or a degree granting act. Ours has always been based upon history and the use of the private members bill," said Blaney.

"I just want to know exactly where we are positioned, so that I will be able to handle this in the

reasonable manner that it will probably have to be handled."

"It's neither an intent to stop nor support," he said.

Dickie remains confident that the province will approve of his proposal.

"We have an extremely good track record in education," he said.

"We offer development of the individual's full creative potential and their ability to think and act in harmony with natural law. Fundamental in the curriculum of MVU will be scientifically validated technologies that will develop full individual potential and the ability to act completely in accordance with all the laws of nature."

Chair of Women in Engineering reinstated

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The position of Chair of Women in Engineering was renewed until 1999, in an announcement made Wednesday.

Northern Telecom with the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council and UNB have provided additional funds for the next five years to continue the position.

The current chair is Dr. Monique Frize, who has been in that position since its inception in 1989.

The position was established in response to difficulties experienced by Canadian universities in attracting women to engineering.

The goal is to increase the participation of women in the engineering field by providing a role model.

Since 1989, the chair has produced a video which features

women engineers as role models, to encourage young people to consider careers in engineering. They have also visited hundreds of schools to promote engineering as

a career.

One of Frize's requirements is to teach and conduct research in UNB's Department of Electrical Engineering.

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- To elect an Executive of the Board of International Students
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