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The responsibility for learning is on the individual student as he maintains close personal contact with the instructor. The learning activities are organized in such a way that students can proceed at their own pace, filling in gaps in their background information and omitting the portion of the program which they have covered at some previous time. However, students must meet designated evaluation periods. The nature of this approach lends itself to the use of every type of educational media available and attempts to align the exposure to these learning experiences in a sequence which will be most effective and efficient. The kind, number and nature of the media involved depends on the nature of the subject under consideration.
This system differs from the written programmed instruction and the conventional lecture laboratory approach in several important ways:

1. Most subjects require that a student receive a variety of learning experiences to become properly informed about them. The conventional teaching system recognizes this requirement and attempts to fulfill it through the scheduling of lectures, laboratories, recitations, etc. In the integrated experience system, these activities can be organized in a stepwise fashion with a reduction in the disassociation in time and space encountered in the conventional approach, while at the same time the logical learning progression characteristic of written programmed instruction is retained. Further, the learning events need not be limited to the vicarious participation of the student through his reading only, as in written programs. Hour-long lectures of necessity cover several units of information. Some of these topics are covered more meaningfully when there is associated with them, student involvement through experimentation, observation, textbook reading and other appropriate activities. The limitations of time and physical facilities make this kind of integration unfeasible under the conventional system but are clearly practical under the integrated experience system utilizing audio tape programming.

2. In the audio-tutorial booth the voice of the instructor provides timely information, definitions and parenthetical expressions with minimal effort for the learner. These helpful aides are often omitted from a student's study because of the inconvenience involved in looking up words, and because such thoughts seldom fit well as a part of a written text. The tone of voice places emphasis on important points and expresses authority not sensed through reading the written word." (1964)

**INSTRUCTIONAL MODEL** - The instructional model is made up of three elements (assemblies, learning laboratories, and progress evaluations) maximizing three principles of learning (motivation, activity, and knowledge of results) and is designed to produce learners who will complete the specified requirements.

**LEARNING LABORATORIES** - Laboratories and faculty members are available to the student as he learns to follow the instructional sequence directed by the faculty. Maturity and independence must be exercised by the student in using these laboratories. There is
always the opportunity for close personal contact with the faculty and is a major feature of the approach.

**LEARNING RESOURCES CENTERS** - These provide resources and facilities to supplement the instructional program. Available are printed and audio-visual materials.

**OBJECTIVES** - 1. To provide the first two years of college parallel to the requirements of four-year institutions.

2. To provide post-high school vocational and technical training.

3. To provide community services meeting the educational, cultural, and recreational needs of the Community College District.

4. To provide general education for the development of a broadly educated person who is capable of thinking and communicating effectively, making relevant judgments, distinguishing among values, and making appropriate applications.

5. To provide opportunity for higher education for promising students with scholastic or subject deficiencies.

6. To assist students in self-evaluation and to direct them into their area of maximum potential thru counseling and guidance services.

**PROGRAMS** -

Transfer programs provide the first two years toward a bachelor's degree.

Associate of Arts Degree for students entering:

Education—elementary, secondary, special education
Engineering—chemical, civil, electrical, mechanical
Liberal Arts—economics, fine arts, law, political science, social sciences, etc.
Science—biological, mathematical, physical, and later pre-professional work
The proposed center would be established within the context of the program in instructional television education operated by the State Department of Education and the University of Arkansas. The center would have the following advantages:

1. The center, directly affiliated with a graduate research program in education, is in a unique position to evaluate the effectiveness of the materials, distribution, and design and test materials of the program.

2. The center, directly connected with all the teacher-preparation programs in educational television, education could contribute to the process of improvement of the programming for graduate courses and the development and testing of educational materials.

In addition, the center is in close cooperation with the Laboratory of Educational Television and a series of centers in the state implementing research programs for field testing and evaluating projects.
Individuals from the State Department, University of Connecticut, central Connecticut State, and vocational-technical schools.

Such evaluation would require the designing of research to assist in answering the questions related to the effectiveness of various instructional approaches. This study could be an important function of the advance graduate study of students relating in the various aspects of vocational technical education.

That the staff of the instructional materials resource center should cooperate with the instructors of the various subject areas in determining the kind of material needed. Review existing materials, produce new materials, and aid teachers responsible for content. Information from the various subject fields should be given time during the normal year and during in-service, as staff of the center is developing materials.

Individuals interested in developing materials, willing to share ideas, and interested in evaluating experiments. Need for the listing of instructional materials developed in the instructional materials resource center.
9. That the instructional materials resource center should start in the fall of 1967 and limit its operation to the development of materials in one subject area (automotives, electricity, etc.). The new center should also concentrate on developing materials related to the teaching of manipulative skills required in the selected shop area. The first effort could be patterned after the automated equipment laboratory used by the School of Education, University of Connecticut to teach students how to operate audio visual equipment.
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