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A conference on graduate education involving students, faculty, and staff of New College and representatives of some leading universities is being held on campus today and tomorrow.

The conference was called to assist the college in its efforts to help students find places in various graduate and professional schools in this country and abroad, and also to help them obtain scholarships and fellowships at such institutions.

On campus for two days to take part in the general talks about graduate education are representatives of the University of Florida, University of Michigan, University of Pennsylvania, and Duke University.

More than 80 per cent of the students in the charter class of New College, who will be graduating next July, are actively considering going on to graduate or professional schools. A special Graduate Placement Office was established earlier this year to assist these students and to coordinate their applications.

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Here on the New College campus to take part in the conference are Professor Lyle McAlister of the Center for Latin American Studies of the University of Florida; Dr. Warner G. Rice, head of the Department of English Language and Literature of the University of Michigan; Dr. Ray Saalbach of the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce of the University of Pennsylvania; and Dr. Francis E. Bowman, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences of Duke University. Dr. George Schrader of the Department of Philosophy of Yale University had been scheduled to join the group but withdrew at the last minute because of his health.

During today's session, the university representatives will meet with President John Elmendorf, members of the college faculty and staff, as well as students in order to exchange as much information as possible about graduate work and admission to the graduate schools, and about New College, its program and students.

New College students have been encouraged since May to make their plans for further study after graduation. Many schools have fall deadlines for awards by the various schools and the actual acceptance of students usually begins in January.

Many of the students already have taken Graduate Record Examinations in their major subjects, offered as part of their regular examination work during their second year. All will have an opportunity to again take the examinations when they are given on the New College campus October 29. The college will be an area center for the administration of the examinations, which many graduate schools use as one of the bases for admission of students.

The current conference on the campus takes up much of today with a series of meetings and conferences. Tonight in College Hall there will be a forum on graduate study with the conferees and third-year students. Tuesday is given over to free time for all participants so that they might have opportunities to see the campus and the area and also to have informal meetings with the students.