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Dear Student,

We offer *Living While You Learn* as a straight-forward, practical guide to New College and to the resources that, if you avail yourself of them, will enrich your years here.

If you are new to New College, first read two sections, *Getting Around Town* and *The Academic Year at New College*. Take note of the entries on *Money*, page 27, *Student Resource Center*, page 34, and *Security*, page 42. You’ll learn where you are, basic rules of the road, and where to find help in a crisis.

*Living While You Learn* will be especially useful when the time comes to get off campus and into the surrounding world. And when you hear conflicting claims as to what New College *really* stands for, the *Chronology* will help. It traces a unique history, where innovation and personal autonomy coexist with academic rigor. There is no other college in the U.S. like the one you attend.

If you encounter wrong information in the pages that follow, or if something that should be in *Living While You Learn* is not, see Jim Feeney, director of special project development, Cook Hall, or call him at ext. 207.

I wish you well as you go forward to claim New College and Florida as your own!

Sincerely,

Robert Benedetti,  
Provost
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Events, activities, program and facilities of the University of South Florida are available to all without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, handicap or age as provided by law and in accordance with the University’s respect for personal dignity.
A New College Chronology

1950s  Business and civic leaders describe Sarasota as a "college town without a college" and seek a public community college, which Bradenton gets, and a Presbyterian college that goes to St. Petersburg.

1959  Sarasotans talk with Congregationalists who might support a Florida "church-related but non-sectarian" liberal arts college. The Board of Home Missions pledges start-up money. (Congregationalists founded Harvard and Yale.)

"We all were impressed with the high cultural quality and the natural beauty of your city. You certainly need a college..." -- Wesley Hotchkiss, Board of Home Missions, to Sarasota Chamber of Commerce, College Acquisition Committee, March 1959

1960  New College is chartered as a private liberal arts college with a general concept that it will use the "tutorial" method.

1961  New College's Board of Trustees negotiates for airport property, a location "providing easy access to outside speakers and dignitaries who would make brief visits."

The board appoints Tampa-born George F. Baughman, former University of Florida vice president and New York University treasurer, as president. New College is incorporated in October.

1962  A "New College Conference on Educational Objectives" calls for excellence and seriousness. Concept of a national rather than a local college begins to take hold.
Charles Ringling property (West Campus) is purchased. A dean (later changed to "provost") is appointed to lead the faculty.

1963

I.M. Pei, who later designs the Kennedy Library and the East Wing of the National Gallery, is hired to design New College. He proposes high-rise dorms on landfill in Sarasota Bay and wants to demolish the bayfront mansions. The College, short on cash, is to open in fall ’64.

"... in the early ’60s, you could...borrow from the government all the money for a dormitory or a dining hall and let it pay itself back from any income produced... That was the only possible way it could have been done. We really didn’t have any money." -- Captain Ralph Styles, New College Planning Officer, interviewed in 1984 by Aric Johnson ’85

1964

Lacking time and money for Pei’s elaborate plan, the board asks Pei to design a "College Center" on the East Campus. This will house students and classes while bayfront campus is built, then will be sold as a hotel and conference center.

Faculty assemble; Robert Norwine comes from Wesleyan University (Connecticut) to recruit exceptionally talented students. Tuition is set higher than Harvard’s to attract attention. Students can earn three-year B.A. Renowned historian Arnold Toynbee is to be visiting professor.

New College opens in September with 101 students, 11-month school year. Program has three "levels:" I - three "core" courses, one in each academic division, with end-of-year comprehensive exams; II - tutorials and independent studies in fields of student’s interest; III - senior seminar and senior thesis. A foreign language is required.
"The college will be organized as a group of communities of learning, so that New College, which eventually will have some 1200 students, will be made up of a cluster of houses composed of small groups of students and a tutor-teacher residing and working together."
-- "Why New College," 1964

Pei dorms are not ready, so students live in a Lido Beach hotel, commuting to campus in an old blue bus. The president wants the women students to dress up for dinner. Prof. Berggren’s first office is in Mrs. Ringling’s clothes closet.

"Student progress should be based on demonstrated competence and real mastery, not merely on the accumulation of credits and grades." -- "The Educational Program," 1964

1965

The hotel needs rooms for winter tourists, so male students move to the estate (now social science) barn, women to the new natural sciences building. The year is proving hectic. President and provost argue, latter is fired. Board chairman quits. Board dismisses president. Faculty seek new jobs, as New College’s first year looks like its last. But students begin moving into Pei dorms in March. Nell Eurich, a prominent educator, steps in as temporary dean, then as temporary president. She hires new faculty. Profs. Berggren, Borden, and "Mac" Miller elect to stay with New College.

Dr. John Elmendorf, a Brown University vice president, is appointed president in July. New College’s second class and many new faculty arrive in the fall.
1967 The "College Center" (Hamilton Center, Pei classrooms and dorms) is completed. Pei's bayfront campus plan is dropped. First commencement is held; graduates earn impressive national fellowships and acceptance at top graduate and professional schools. Under Elmendorf's flexible leadership, New College gains a measure of stability and confidence.

"The real answers will be found in the minds and characters of the students who attend New College...We at the College can help them. But they are the only ones who can provide the answers." -- John Elmendorf, New College Catalog, 1966-7

1968-1971 Much of the original curriculum proves unworkable. A conventional nine-month calendar is adopted, core courses and exams are dropped, along with the senior seminar and language requirement. Faculty-led seminars, student-initiated tutorials, and senior theses emerge to form the curriculum.

1969 Spartan "letter" buildings open on West Campus to house a growing student body. They contain two faculty apartments.

1971 The academic contract is adopted. Elmendorf and the board disagree over president's role, he resigns.

1972 Enrollment peaks at 825.

Early 70s Academic excellence combines with innovation to give New College a unique character. Graduating classes continue to earn distinguished graduate school awards and admissions.

"I remember alcoholism, abortions, crazy people with machetes, and vindictive cruelty by pro-
fessors. Nonetheless, my years at New College were clearly the most joyful I have lived so far." -- Dan Chambliss '75, in a 1986 alumni newsletter

Inflation consumes college resources; a planned endowment that would serve as an inflation buffer proves impossible to raise.

1973 After a long search, Arland Christ-Janer, former Boston University and College Board president, is appointed president. He finds New College plunging toward bankruptcy.

"The entire curriculum consisted of the most expensive modes of instruction: tutorials, seminars and independent research requirements. Indeed, it is difficult to conceive of a set of factors more likely to produce economic disaster for an institution than those that obtained [at New College]." -- Lewis Mayhew, Surviving the Eighties, 1979

1975 Christ-Janer engineers affiliation with USF and resigns, having abolished his job. History prof. George Mayer becomes provost, now the top New College job. The Board of Trustees forms the New College Foundation to raise private money New College will need under its agreement with the state.

1978  Eugene Lewis comes from Hamilton College to be provost.

1979  Distinctive New College features remain intact, but enrollment is declining, private gifts to the foundation are too few. Lt. Gen. Rolland Heiser (U.S.A. Ret.) becomes foundation president. The Florida Legislature challenges the foundation: raise $3.5 million, get $2.5 million grant from the state.

1981  The foundation meets the challenge. The John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation picks New College as one of 16 liberal arts colleges to receive an endowed professorship.

"... the future of this most unusual arrangement seems bright." -- Provost Eugene Lewis in *Patterns of Private-Public Relatedness*, 1981

1984  Political science prof. Robert Benedetti is appointed provost.

1985  The foundation meets a second state challenge, raising $3 million to earn $2 million from the state. Twenty-five years of precarious finances are over; endowment grows rapidly, enrollments climb. Sudakoff Lecture and Conference Center opens, gift of Sarasota philanthropist Harry Sudakoff.

Alumni Association forms.

1986  $6.1 million library opens between the east and west campuses.

"The rollcall of heroes is very lengthy and could never be totally called." -- Bob Johnson, State Senator and New College Foundation trustee, speaking at library dedication

1987  Charter class holds 20th Anniversary Reunion (1967-87) at the 21st New College commencement.
Some New College Traditions

Buildings do not have to be covered with ivy for a school to have traditions. Here are a few you are likely to encounter.

Asolo Monday Movies
The Asolo art film showings Monday afternoons and evenings provide good, cheap entertainment.

Buddha Evenings
After the Friday organic chemistry test, repair to the Golden Buddha restaurant to recover.

Coffee Houses
Informal gatherings in Hamilton Center a few times a semester. Share musical and other performance talents.

Dance Marathon
The dance goes on and on during a fall weekend, all for the benefit of a worthy charity. Live and recorded music.

Halloween
On the night when dead souls walk the earth, we protect ourselves with a costume PCP. Earlier in the evening, Provost Benedetti’s home, 546 47th St. is open. Expect to meet someone or something in strange raiments.

Holiday Season
Join a dorm decorating contest and dine with turkey and the trimmings in a spectacularly decorated Hamilton Center.

Open House at Prof. Bates’
Most Tuesdays at 9 p.m., Prof. Margaret (Peggy) Bates opens her Pei first court apartment, #141, to the community for coffee and informal conversation. Look for invitations posted in Hamilton Center. (Prof. Bates is on leave fall, 1987.)
Orientation Picnic
Saturday of Orientation Week, new students meet returning students and faculty at a free picnic. Swimming, volleyball.

Oxford Series Lectures
The New College Foundation brings top stars of the lecture circuit to town, and patrons donate tickets for students.

PCP
A "Palm Court Party," bacchanalia in the Palm Court. Susan Burns '80, recently asked if the PCP tradition she experienced in '77 survived intact in '86. For the answer, see page 9.

Provost's Coffees
During January Interterm, Provost Benedetti invites first year students to coffee in Cook Hall.

Semi-formal
A welcome to spring and a break from the PCP/Wall routine. Band, decorations, video coordinated with the evening's theme.

Student-Faculty Softball Game
Early in May or thereabouts, the faculty/staff and students play for blood. Actually, for laughs mostly. Picnic.

Sunsets
The bayfront at sunset, a very special place for Novo Collegians, always brings them back after they graduate.

Thanksgiving Potlock
Students who remain on campus or in town often gather together on Turkey Day for a potluck dinner.

Wall
A spontaneous coming together on a Palm Court wall for conversation and music.

Year-end Picnic
In the last days, a Saturday picnic.
'You Can't Go Home Again'

A graduate infiltrates a New College Palm Court Party

It had been 10 years, an entire decade since I first attended a New College Palm Court Party.

The infamous Halloween bash was always the anti-social event of the season. Invitations were much sought after, but the parties were confined to an elite few -- members of the student body. We were an incestuous and xenophobic little group, priding ourselves on both our academic achievement and our ability not to fit in.

Our parties were as extreme as our studies. None of that namby-pamby cocktail chitchat for us. Parties were a chance for us to release the pressures of a rigorous term or forget a wasted one, and nothing compared to a Palm Court Party.

I was curious. What effect had 10 years had on Palm Court Parties? (PCP's, we affectionately called them.) Were students still open-minded individualists, or had the Reagan Revolution and the "I want it all" generation instilled mainstream morals and materialism into the 400 or so young adults living near the Sarasota/Bradenton Airport?

I had heard that students had to wear shoes in the new library and that food was prohibited there. That worried me. All rules worried true New College students.

Founded in 1964 as an experiment in free-thinking and creativity, New College opened up its students to a world of pluralistic thought. There were no grades, few tests, and an overwhelming realization that our decisions were our own. The school introduced us to serious scholarship and outrageous behavior. I hoped none of this had eroded with time and an ever-larger affiliation with the University of South Florida. The Palm Court Party would be the litmus test.
I arrived with a friend. Our first impression was grim. Yes, there were the usual costumes: transvestites, young Republicans, pizza cutters and lamps. And yes, there were people dancing by themselves or with trees. And the physical layout was the same -- a large courtyard planted with royal palms and surrounded on three sides by dorms.

But the atmosphere was more paranoid than I remembered. Our names were on a guest list, but seconds after we arrived we were accosted by two campus policemen demanding to know who we were. We had been fingered by students. Amazing. It would have been unheard of to call the campus cops for anything when I was a student.

After we were released, I realized I was going to have to achieve a different plane of consciousness to communicate with these students. I spied a bottle of tequila, held by a person wrapped from neck to ankles in a white vacuum-cleaner hose. He told me he was dressed as the worm in a bottle of Mexican tequila.

He was a third-year philosophy student battling with inductive and deductive logic. "Help me with this," he said. "If worms are disgusting, why is tequila containing a worm expensive and sought after?"

The question was too heavy for me, but it showed that New College students were still thinking deep thoughts.

I sauntered over to the beer keg, where I saw a dryad with a pig's nose and garlands in her hair. There were about 15 more like her. I asked what they were. "Yipping Bush Pigs," she told me. "It's an ancient fundamentalist sect." Another pig-ite joined her. They were both theology students. I asked them where their beliefs originated. They said they hadn't the foggiest. "We're examples of blind devotion," they explained. "All we know is that when we see one of our own kind, we jump up and down and scream, 'yip, yip, yip.'"

I turned around and bumped into the Emperor of the Third World. He was white and WASP-y looking. He told me he was abdicating
in favor of anarchy. He explained that as a second year international relations student, he had despaired of solving problems through diplomacy. I asked what he would do with his life now. "Kill myself or become a banker," he said. How typical. An example of student idealism being tempered with reality. It hits all of us sooner or later. But time was running out. I needed some straight answers. I'd forgotten what it was like to hang out with New College students. I looked around. They were getting that glazed look in their eyes as they whirled around by themselves among the palms. Finding someone capable of speech was becoming harder. The beer had run out and the worm was nowhere to be found. I was desperate.

Then I spotted a woman in a short chain mail skirt and a black leather halter, dragging in a man with the end of her whip. Aha! A modern woman. I decided to confront her. Would she tell me what it means to be a New College student?

"Okay," she said. "First, we still write theses on unbelievably obscure topics. The big attraction is sun and fun at affordable prices. The administration is trying to take away our freedom with rules. And yes, we all have career plans: graduate school for as long as our parents can afford it."

I rejoiced. Things hadn't changed, after all. New College was still New College!

I had changed though. I was a townie surrounded by teenagers. It was 3 a.m., still early by PCP time; but I was tired, my husband was waiting for me at home, and the music these kids were listening to was giving me a headache.

Susan Burns '80
From Clubhouse Magazine
January 1987
Life at New College

"It's a place where you can play your own music and wear your own clothes, and still find people willing to spend time with you."
-- Amy Ferris, student, 1987

This section contains much of the information you need for day-to-day life at New College. Topics are listed alphabetically.

Academic Problems

If you find yourself floundering academically, any or all of the following people may be able to help you: your contract sponsor, student government's consultant for academics Bret Pettichord, writing consultant Jan Wheeler (see page 36), the professionals at the Student Resource Center (page 34), any faculty member, and your resident assistant (page 40).

Academic Rules

The definitive, or at least official, statement of New College's academic philosophy, program, and rules is the General Catalog. It is updated every two years.

Read the catalog. It tells what New College intends with academic contracts, senior theses, independent studies, and the like. If you don't have a copy, get one at Records and Registration, Building D, ext. 217.

The collective experience grows, circumstances change. Thus rules change. Changing the rules is the responsibility of the faculty, which often refers questions of the rules to its Educational Policy Committee or to the provost. Also see Who Governs?, page 48.
Admissions
To find students like you, we mount a national campaign every year. It draws on the talents of currently enrolled students. If you would like to help, call Rab Thornton, director of admissions, or Ed Custard, associate director, ext. 201.

Alcohol and Drugs
Historically, college campuses have been associated with alcohol and drug abuse. Increasingly, we realize that this association is a serious national problem.

Both alcohol and drug abuse cause loss of self-determination, judgment, and analytical ability, qualities that are highly valued at New College.

College campuses also have been associated with new experience, experimentation, flexibility, and tolerance. New College policy on alcohol and drug use, discussed below, attempts to recognize these two facets of academic life: the campus as setting for tolerance and openness, and the campus as setting for self-destructive substance abuse.

Copies of the campus policy on substance abuse are available from the Student Affairs, Provost's and Campus Dean's offices. What follows is an informal summary of policy as of May 1987.

Illegal drugs: Drug use and trafficking are life-threatening and are not condoned at New College. They threaten not only your personal well-being, but our autonomy as an educational community. They can attract criminals and plainclothes police who have no stake in the open inquiry we value. Campus officials know that some in the community believe certain illegal substances are not particularly dangerous. It remains the case, however, that they are illegal, and that use and trafficking endanger our community. Illegal drugs, then, do not fall within the tolerance for diversity of lifestyle, values, and taste that prevails at New College. Offenders may be expelled and/or referred to appropriate state authorities.
Alcohol and drug education at New College is available through the Student Resource Center's Workshops and confidential personal counseling. See page 33.

Disciplinary action for violating drug and alcohol policies varies with the seriousness of the offense. Restriction on your attendance at social events, cancellation of your housing contract, restriction of access to campus, and suspension or dismissal from New College are among the possible penalties.

Enforcement power rests ultimately with the campus dean and the New College provost, but intermediate levels of authority adjudicate most cases. See Who Governs?, page 47.

Alumnae/i Association

The New College Alumnae/i Association promotes alumni support of New College and its students. Carol Ann Wilkinson '67 is executive director of the NCAA (College Hall 103, ext. 4324). The association holds an annual reunion on commencement weekend honoring the 20th, 15th, 10th and 5th anniversary classes and the new graduates. See Why Graduate from Here?, page 60.

The Association may be able to assist you with summer job and internship leads, and alumnae/i can give first-hand information on life at graduate and professional schools. Contact Carol Ann Wilkinson at the alumnae/i office in College Hall.

Banking

Nearest banks to campus are Coast Federal, 3201 N. Trail (just past Trail Plaza), and First Florida Bank, 3300 N. Trail, across the street. Call Coast Federal at 351-4948 and First Florida at 355-7691.

Bicycles

An important means of transportation here. Bikes must be registered at the Cop Shop (no charge) to help control theft. For more on bikes and biking, see pages 45 and 70.

Bookstore - Campus

Buy textbooks, general fiction, magazines, stationery, cards, and casual clothing at the Campus Bookshop, on the Trail opposite the Ringling Museum entrance (355-5252, or ext. 5575). New College tee shirts and logo-bearing novelties.
Open Monday-Friday 9-5 and Saturday 10-2, extended hours at the beginning of a semester (check Residence Life Bulletin). Mary Tippens, a former New College student, is manager. Also see Bookstores, page 62-63.

Career Planning
Resources for career planning include the Student Resource Center, page 33, the Alumnae/i Association, page 14, and, in law, the Pre-Law Meeting held every fall (watch Residence Life Bulletin). If you are aiming for medical school, ask the Natural Sciences Division secretary for the pre-med statement and consult Prof. Al Beulig, campus pre-med advisor.

CLAST
All state university students in Florida must take and pass the College-Level Academic Skills Test (CLAST). New College students must take CLAST in their third semester. It is a standardized test, administered on a scheduled basis. If you miss it, you have a second chance during your fourth semester. If you miss that, your enrollment is canceled, as required by law.

No one has ever left New College due to inability to pass CLAST, but some have been terminated, as required by law, because they did not take CLAST.

The Office of Records and Registration can provide more information about CLAST.

Clubs
Student clubs emerge each year in response to student initiative. Among those that tend to recur are the Campus Fine Arts Council (page 62), film series (page 63), and Sail and Trail (page 46). If you have an interest, put your funding proposal before the Student Affairs Council. Students often organize to purchase aikido instruction, and scuba gear is available (page 46).

Community Meals
Community celebrations emanate from the nexus of community meals and the joie de vivre at New College. All students support these occasions as part of their meal plan obligation. Don't miss!
Computers

Computers can help you improve your writing, present research results, obtain a bibliography, index term paper notes, analyze data, simulate the economy, learn a language, and more. Prof. Karsten Henckell gives introductory computer courses and tutorials. **You do not need mathematical or scientific aptitude to use a computer.** Computers are proving as useful in the humanities and fine arts as in the sciences.

There are two open-use computer centers on campus as follows:

**IBM-equipped Computer Center**

**Location:** Building C, ext. 4354.

**Computers:** 12 IBM PCs with 512k memory & 2 floppy disk drives; 6 terminals communicating with Tampa mainframe.

**Printers:** 2 dot matrix printers for the PCs; 1 mainframe connected laser printer.

**Hours:** Noon-11 p.m. with support personnel on duty; 8 a.m.-noon with support available on request; inquire for additional hours. Hours are subject to change during holidays.

**Administration:** Bi-County Engineering Center, Building C, ext. 4350.

**Instructional**

On-site technician (a student) noon-11:00 p.m., daily.

**Users:** Any member of the campus community.

**Contact:** Bi-County Engineering Center, ext. 4350.

**Macintosh Computer Lab**

**Location:** HCL-6

**Computers:** 9 Macintosh SE computers, 2 with hard drives

**Printers:** LQ Imagewriter, laser printer

**Hours:** 24-hour access. During normal office
hours sign key out from student government in Hamilton Center. After hours key can be signed out from Campus Police.

Administration: Campus Council

Instructional support: Inquire in student government offices.

Users: Any member of the campus community

Contact: Campus Council, ext. 4365.

Cop Shop


Counseling Center

See Student Resource Center, page 33.

Degree Requirements

Here’s an overview of the requirements for graduation —

» A minimum of seven academic contracts, the first two and the last one carried out on campus. You can do some contracts away from Sarasota through off campus study.

» An area of concentration, declared on a provisional basis by the middle of your fifth semester and finalized, with a senior thesis prospectus, by the middle of your sixth semester.

» Three independent study projects, normally done during your first three January Interterms.

» A senior thesis.

» A baccalaureate examination.

Driver’s License
If you drive, you must get a Florida license within 30 days of arriving in the state. Make an appointment for a written and a road test by calling 366-7323. The license is valid for four years. The closest license bureau is at 601 Pompano Avenue, E end of Ringling Boulevard, near Robarts Arena.

Drugs
See Alcohol and Drugs, page 13.

Evaluations
Each of your contracts will have a number of educational activities, such as courses, tutorials, and field projects. For each activity, the instructor will submit an evaluation, categorizing your work as satisfactory, incomplete or unsatisfactory, and then summarizing and evaluating it in a narrative statement.

Use of narrative statements reflects the faculty’s belief that a grade is too superficial a statement to assess intellectual work. With a grade, you can easily compare yourself to others, a comforting but shallow exercise. With a grade, you can easily affirm or dismiss the professor’s judgment, never considering the substance of your work. If you earn a high grade point average, you can securely apply to a graduate or professional school, without thinking much about the real quality of your preparation.

“Writing a paper was just the beginning of a process of inquiry...My profs would ask, ‘Have you thought of this?’, or ‘Have you looked at your subject this way?’” — Chris deBodisco ’84

Also see Incomplete Work, page 22.

Financial Aid
You may be entitled to state or federal grants and loans to help pay for college. But you have to demonstrate your eligibility for aid by submitting detailed financial reports early in each calendar year, for aid beginning the following fall.
The Financial Aid Office, Building E, ext. 4257 will provide the forms, along with professional consultation, to help you establish eligibility and get an “aid package.” Financial aid officer Pete Fazio troubleshoots any problems pertaining to your aid award or claims. The Business Office, Building D, disburses the checks to you.

Never procrastinate when filing your financial aid forms. Many aid programs are on a “first-come, first-served” basis. Also see Scholarships, page 32.

Fire

To report a fire, use a pull box or call ext. 5911.

Misuse of a pull box is a crime. Setting of fires, even as a “harmless joke,” is likely to result in immediate dismissal from New College.

Food Service

Hamilton Center has a full-service cafeteria open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m. during the semester, except Break Week. Hours are subject to change; consult Residence Life Bulletin weekly. The Hamilton Center pub is scheduled to reopen in late 1989 and may provide supplemental snack service evenings and weekends.

The cafeteria and pub are operated by a food service company under contract to Student Affairs. A student food service committee works with the management and Student Affairs to insure that student preferences are heard. Student recommendations have led to a salad bar, hot vegetarian entrees, and fresh fruit, among other things.

Essential to continued on-campus food service is the Food Plan — required purchase, by residents, of a specified minimum value redeemable via declining balance at the cafeteria. To learn more, contact Student Affairs, Hamilton Center.

Food Shopping

The nearest supermarkets, about a mile south on opposite sides of the Trail at Myrtle, are outposts of Florida’s largest chains, Winn-Dixie and Publix. Both open Sunday. Coupons Thursday and Sunday in the Sarasota Herald Tribune.

Another, larger and better, Publix is on the corner of University Parkway and Lockwood Ridge Road east of campus.
You'll find convenience stores — mini-groceries with staples, beer and junk food — all over, many open 24-hours. Among the nearest is the Cracker Barrel, on the Trail N of campus. It has a cold deli, days 9-7. The Shell station on the corner of US 41 and Gen. Spaatz has some items. For snack food, cosmetics, and sundries at low prices, try Phar-Mor, Crossroads Shopping Center, S. Trail and Bee Ridge Road. Open Sundays.

For produce and pastry, bread and wine, consider walking or cycling north along the Trail, airport side, to the Green grocer and the French Hearth. Captain Brian's, adjoining, has fresh seafood and take-out fish & chips.

The Granary, 1451 Main Street downtown, has natural and health foods. Open Sunday. Richard's Natural Foods, two miles N on U.S. 41 at 63rd Street, specializes in bulk natural foods. A farmer's market is held every Saturday morning downtown on Lemon Avenue between Main and First. Prices usually are lower than in the stores, and there's Florida-grown produce in season: strawberries from Hillsborough and Manatee counties; tender, sweet Florida onions; Manatee tomatoes and Ruskin spinach; Sarasota sweet corn; Pine Island mangoes; Zellwood mushrooms. Also house and balcony plants and basketry.

Morton's, an expensive independent grocer at Osprey and Hillview avenues, near Memorial Hospital, has hot and cold deli, cut-to-order cheese, a butcher shop, and gourmet specialities. For Italian wines, meats, cheese, pasta, and other Italian fare, try Casa Italia on Constitution Boulevard, left off the S. Trail, south of Proctor Road. For German wursts and imported beer, try Karl Ehmer's, S. Trail, on the right past Bee Ridge. Kosher specialties are featured in the deli department of the Greengrocer near campus. Oriental groceries are stocked at Far East Imports, 3011 N. Trail, N of 27th Street, and Oriental Food & Gifts Mart, 7280 S. Trail, south of Stickney Point Road.

Foreign Study Exchange Program

New College has special arrangements with the University of Glasgow, University College Dublin and the University of Waterloo (Canada) for student exchanges. You can go to either of these distinguished schools, trading places with one
of their students. An exchange is usually for a full academic year and costs close to what a year on campus costs.

New College exchange students take the regular host campus program. Similarly, the students from abroad undertake New College academic contracts. For information, contact the Office of the Provost, Cook Hall, ext. 4320.

**Foreign Study in Florence and London**

Florida State University has study centers in Florence and London where you can take a semester under faculty from the state university system. Tuition is the same as New College and the centers are popular with New College students and faculty. Also see Off Campus Study Opportunities, page 28.

**Grades**

New College does not give grades. If you need a GPA or rank in class, consult with the Registrar (see Evaluations, pg. 18).

**Handicap Access/Services**

New College seeks to make facilities available to all academically qualified individuals, regardless of conditions that might hinder an individual’s mobility or communication. Contact the Office of Student Affairs, ext. 4250, for assistance.

**Health**


**Hospitals**

Sarasota has two full-service, acute care hospitals, Sarasota Memorial, 1700 S. Trail (953-1111), non-profit, and Doctors Hospital, 2750 Bahia Vista Street (366-1411), for-profit. Sarasota Memorial is the largest and is well-equipped for all but the most specialized care. Both have emergency centers. Both can be reached by transit bus. Memorial is closest to campus. Also see Medical Insurance, page 26. Sarasota Palms Hospital, 1650 S. Osprey Avenue (366-6070), is a private psychiatric hospital.
Housing — Off Campus
If you are seeking an apartment, house, room, roommate, house share or tenant, check the bulletin board in Hamilton Center. To make a listing call Housing, ext. 4259.

Before you sign a lease, keep in mind that leases are contracts. Breaking one can result in legal action against you. If you lose, you could pay not only the balance of the lease, but court costs as well.

Some things to consider before signing:
» Do you know your roommate/share partner well enough to get involved in a financial commitment with her or him?
» Can you really afford it? Will you need a better job, richer roommate, or other things that may not work out?
» Can you communicate with the landlord. Is he or she fair?
» Does it offer the privacy and quiet you need?
» Is it close enough to campus for easy commuting?
» Is the neighborhood reasonably safe? Are burglaries common?
» If you have to leave before the lease is up, can you sublet?

Housing — On Campus
See Living in the Residence Halls, pages 36-42.

Incomplete Work
Professors may, at your request and their discretion, give extensions beyond a semester’s end for completion of incomplete work. However, faculty policy specifies that the work becomes unsatisfactory if not completed by one year from the first day of the semester in which the work was undertaken. This is known as the one-year rule.

Independent Study Project (ISP)
When you are new to New College, the first ISP may seem overwhelming. Some tips:
» Give a lot of weight to your interests and feelings. Don’t assume your ideas are unimportant or impractical.
» Talk it through. Seek out faculty, explain your interests, and ask for their suggestions and guidance.
» Remember that January will offer a solid block of time, without classes. That makes feasible field study, social service, intensive laboratory work, and other things difficult to schedule during the semester.

Jobs — Off Campus
The Student Resource Center, Building E, ext. 4258, maintains a listing of off campus jobs. Also, check the listings in Residence Life Bulletin.

Also see Money, page 26.

Jobs — On Campus
Many campus departments hire students; the library and police employ the most. If you have a College Work Study Program (CWSP) grant as part of your financial aid package, go to the Financial Aid Office in building E, ext. 4257. They have job listings and will send you to offices needing workers. Once you land a position, return to building E to complete the paperwork. When you earn all the funds allotted in your CWSP grant, your job ends. You may want to pace your work hours so employment extends across the maximum calendar time.

Your CWSP paycheck comes from the federal government and the university, not your employer's budget. But many departments have Other Personnel Service (OPS) funds to hire part-time workers. The employee need not be eligible for financial aid. To find an OPS job, make the rounds of campus offices.

The best jobs, whether CWSP or OPS, go fast. The early bird...

Leave of Absence
After you have been at New College for a year, you can take up to two semesters of leave. Simply declare your intent by November 1 for the following spring semester or May 1 for the following fall semester. The catalog has the applicable rules and conditions. You cannot declare leave after the deadlines, but you can cancel a declaration of intent up to the beginning of the semester. If you leave without filing intent by the deadline, you will be considered withdrawn and must reapply to the SASC for readmission (see page 32).
Legal Assistance

The USF Student Government, Tampa campus, offers a free legal counseling service to students on all USF campuses. You are able to talk with an attorney who will evaluate your legal situation and suggest appropriate steps. The attorney does not represent you in court, draw up papers for you, or the like. To use the service, phone 70-2401 from a campus office (1-813-974-2401 from an outside phone) during business hours. Don’t put the call off, there is sometimes a wait before an attorney is available. You do not need to travel to Tampa; a telephone conference can be arranged using toll-free lines. A number of New College alumnae/i practice law in the Sarasota area. For a list, call Carol Ann Wilkinson ext. 4324.

Jane Bancroft Cook Library

Completed in 1986, the Jane Bancroft Cook Library is a superb facility designed to meet your research and study needs. Your photo ID will be bar coded to serve as your library card. Inquire at the reference desk for information about library policies or any of the services available through the library. We currently have about 200,000 volumes and subscriptions to 1,000 serials. Access to the collection is through the “online catalog” system called LUIS, an acronym for Library User Information Service. The LUIS system also links us to the catalogs of all state university libraries in Florida. If you have a computer and modem at home or in your dormitory room, you can access LUIS.

The library has a strong collection of printed index and abstract services which are augmented by several automated indexes to journal literature on CD-ROM. Students may also request customized on-line computer searches of 200 national databases. These are done by a librarian on a cost-recovery basis. Books and journal articles that are not available in the Cook Library can be requested on interlibrary loan.

Seniors writing theses have first option on the library’s 48 study carrels, but any student, with sponsor support, can apply on a space-available basis for a carrel. Apply for in the library’s administrative office, Room 201.

The library has coin-operated photocopying and microform
reader printer machines.

When New College is in session, the library is open daily, with extensive hours. Call 359-4304 for regular and holiday library hours. Dr. Althea Jenkins is head librarian.

In the Media and Educational Technologies Center (MET), second floor, ext. 4306, you can use audio-visual materials, prepare your own learning resources, listen to music, preview films and tapes alone or with your class, and check out tapes, film and video for personal use. Ron Lerner is MET director.

**Literary Journal**

*Literary Journal*

*New CollAge*, a literary tri-quarterly published at New College for 20 years, offers opportunities to gain editorial and publishing experience. It invites submissions from student poets, fiction writers and artists. Contact Prof. Arthur ("Mac") Miller for more information.

**Lost and Found**

*Lost and Found*

At the Cop Shop. Also see *Police*, page 29.

**Mail**

*Mail*

You are assigned a mail box in Hamilton Center upon enrollment. Mail is delivered to student boxes Monday-Friday, excluding holidays. If you get a parcel, a delivery slip will be placed in your box telling you where to pick up the package.

All intra-campus mail and mail addressed c/o New College is delivered to your box. If you live off campus, you must still check your box regularly.

The main post office is downtown on Ringling Boulevard, a block east of Orange Avenue. Stop by the Student Affairs Office for information on post offices which may be closer.

Outgoing mail for campus offices or for USF offices in Tampa can be left in the outgoing box at any campus office. No postage required.

**Medical Insurance**

*Medical Insurance*

Major medical and hospital insurance is essential; a day and night of tests in a hospital can easily cost $1,000. Determine if you are, or can be, covered on a parent’s policy. Often coverage is available for a supplemental fee. **International students must be able to prove that they have major medical**
insurance.

If you cannot obtain coverage, purchase insurance on your own. The USF student government in Tampa offers a policy to students. Student Affairs has applications. New College and USF do not evaluate or administer this policy; Student Affairs distributes the information as a convenience to students.

Medical Services
See Physician Services, page 29, Medical Insurance, above, and Hospitals, page 21.

Minister

Money
How do you make ends meet when you are a full-time student? For information on getting money, see Financial Aid, page 19, Jobs, page 23, and Scholarships, page 32. For information pertinent to managing or saving money, see Banking, page 14, Food Service and Food Shopping, pages 19-20, Housing — Off Campus, page 22, Medical Insurance, page 25 and Residency in Florida, page 31. In addition, avail yourself of the Student Resource Center’s assistance in developing your own life planning and personal management skills (see page 33).

If you encounter a financial emergency, contact Student Affairs, Hamilton Center, ext. 4250, for referral to the appropriate resource people or agency.

New College Catalog
See Academic Rules, page 12.

New College Foundation
The New College Foundation is a private, independent, tax-exempt educational foundation that raises money needed to sustain New College’s enriched curriculum. For example, the faculty/student ratio at other state schools in Florida is about 1:25; the New College ratio is about 1:10. The foundation has raised New College’s endowment from nothing to over $14 million in a decade. Currently, it generates over $1 million annually for New College.
The foundation is governed by a Board of Trustees, whose members include student-nominated New College graduates. The foundation's president is Rolland V. (Ron) Heiser. The foundation is self-governing, and is not a unit of New College, USF or the state. Although the foundation does not have authority over New College, its faculty, staff or students, the views of foundation staff and trustees carry considerable weight. See *Who Governs?*, page 47.

The foundation's support of New College takes the form of an annual grant to USF, which in turn uses the money to fund New College at a level not otherwise feasible. The foundation also funds a large scholarship program for New College students. The foundation does not decide which students receive scholarship awards (see *Scholarships*, page 32).

In general, the foundation does not make grants to individual students or faculty. All proposals for foundation funding or endorsement must be reviewed by the provost. If you have a proposal you think would interest the foundation, see the provost. To learn more about the foundation's work, visit the foundation in Robertson Hall, ext. 5590.

**News**

*Campus News* is the official, twice-monthly journal of campus happenings. It covers both New College and the University Program. Find it in plastic holders around campus.

*Residence Life Bulletin*, in mail boxes every Monday except Break Week, lists events of specific interest to New College students. Look for important housing information, scholarship opportunities, foreign study programs, internships, etc.

For news of the world beyond, buy the local dailies from machines in front of Hamilton Center. The *Sarasota Herald-Tribune*, the *St. Petersburg Times*, and the *Tampa Tribune* are currently available.

Student newspapers invite you to submit essays, journalism, poetry, art work, reviews, and angry letters to the editor. You can get involved with the current papers by contacting their editors directly or through student government. To try the limits of the First Amendment or to find out how you can help, contact the NCSA president or the SAC chair. Also see *Literary Journal*, page 25.
The Oracle, the student-published newspaper from USF main campus, covers the university from a Tampa perspective. News of the New College Foundation’s activities appears in its quarterly, The Gateway Report. The New College Alum­nae/i Association publishes a quarterly newsletter, Nimbus.

Off Campus Study
For information on opportunities for intellectual and profes­sional development beyond New College, consult the off cam­pus study files in the library. Also see Foreign Study Exchange Program, page 20, and Foreign Study in Florence and London, page 21. Off campus requires some paperwork:

1) Declare your intent to study off campus by November 1, for the following spring semester, or May 1, for the following fall semester. The pink form you submit to Records and Registration, Building D, is not a registration; it is simply a declaration of intent to study off campus. As with a leave of absence, you can cancel it any time up to the start of the semester in question by notifying Records and Registration.

2) You must submit an approved academic contract that describes your off campus studies and is signed by a faculty sponsor. The contract must be received by Records prior to the first day of the semester in question.

3) Consult with the financial aid office. Your budget and the types of aid you receive may have to be adjusted. You may wish to give power of attorney to a campus official to facilitate processing of aid funds.

4) You are responsible for attending to New College academic deadlines while you are on off campus study.

Registration and payment procedures for off campus study vary by type of off campus activity

For enrollment at another institution:

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For independent off campus study (evaluated by New Col­lege professor)

| Yes               | Yes               | No                 |

For New College Foreign Study Exchange (see page 21)

| Yes               | Yes               | No**               |

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*Pay tuition at the host institution.

**Pay no tuition at host institution.

See the catalog for the limits on how many semesters you can study off campus, and when.

**Parking**

You must buy a parking decal for any vehicle you bring to campus (bicycle decals are free). Get your decal at the Cop Shop. With the decal comes a copy of the parking and driving rules. Your decal gives you access to campus parking lots. Money from fines collected for parking violations goes into a student scholarship and loan fund. Money from the sale of parking decals goes for maintaining and building parking lots.

**Peer Support Program**

New College students (and some faculty) provide support to students seeking help with academic or personal crises, transitions or who just want to talk. If you are interested in joining or finding out whom you can turn to, contact Dr. Anne Fisher, director of counseling and the Student Resource Center, ext. 4254.

**Physician Services**

Every year, the Office of Student Affairs contracts for outpatient medical services. The campus doctor is Dr. Marc Weinberg '74, 2650 Bahia Vista, 954-0464. The services are funded by student fees. Covered are general medical care and consultation by a physician. Not covered are special tests, tests not conducted in the physician’s office, and consultation and treatment by a specialist. Contact the Student Resource Center, ext. 4258 for information on the doctor’s on-campus hours.

**Police**

Phone 359-4210, or go to the Cop Shop (police office) across the Hamilton Center drive from Sudakoff.

Red emergency phone boxes are at the swimming pool, Pei area, fine arts studios, library, Building C, Caples, and College Hall.

The campus police, a uniformed state force, are on duty 24-
hours a day, every day. Under the direction of Walt Hooper, they provide complete police services, including protection of people and property, traffic control, lost and found service, crime prevention, and visitor information. They also take messages when campus offices are closed. **Escort service** is provided on request to those working late on campus. Phone the Cop Shop at ext. 4210.

The **Cop Shop** has crime prevention brochures. The police offer **workshops on protecting person and property** — read *Residential Life Bulletin* for announcements. Also see **Security**, page 41.

**Post Office**

See **Mail**, page 25.

**Probation (Academic)**

Failure to make progress toward a degree leads to being reviewed by the SASC (see page 32). One possible outcome is probation. **Probation is an alternative to dismissal.** You are granted a probationary semester to demonstrate your academic competence and ability to resume progress toward a degree. Probation may entail specific prescriptions that speak to your academic deficiencies.

**Registration**

To be a student, you must register, except when you are on declared leave of absence or certain types of off campus study (see page 23 and 28).

When registered, you must pay tuition and fees, or the university, following state regulations, will cancel your enrollment. College officials hold you responsible for meeting registration and payment obligations. See **The Academic Year**, page 56, for registration and payment deadlines.

Your records are kept by the **Office of Records and Registration**, Building D, ext. 4230. See Nancy Ferraro, director of records and registration, or a member of her staff if you have questions or problems concerning registration or your academic status as reflected in your records.

**Religion**

New College's relentlessly intellectual, skeptical wel-

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tanschauung may suggest no one here has faith in anything. In fact, many Novo Collegians profess a faith and worship at a local church or temple. Among New College's graduates is the world's first daughter of a rabbi to become a rabbi. The rector of Christ Episcopal Church, Bradenton, is a charter class graduate. The Association for Campus Ministry funds a campus minister who offers pastoral counseling and helps students establish ties with local congregations. She conducts Bible study, ecumenical retreats, and traditional pastoral ceremonies for the community. Call Rev. Marilyn Marston at 355-0629 or stop by her office in Building E.

Residency in Florida

You pay much lower tuition if you qualify for in-state residency. To qualify, you must have had Florida as your legal residence for at least 12 months prior to the start of the semester for which you are claiming residency. And there are other, more demanding, qualifications.

Attending college in Florida merely establishes physical presence, not legal residence. A legal resident for tuition purposes has certain ties, verifiable over time, to Florida.

To start the process, file a declaration of domicile, $10, at the courthouse, Main Street and Washington Boulevard (U.S. 301), served by several SCAT bus routes. Then get a Florida driver's license or, if you don't drive, an ID issued by the drivers' license bureau. The nearest bureau is at the east end of Ringling Boulevard (bus #1 Fruitville). If you own a car or motorcycle, register it at the Courthouse. Register to vote as well (2 IDs needed).

There's more. To qualify for in-state tuition, you cannot be claimed as a dependent on the tax return of someone living outside Florida. You must be a U.S. citizen. Finally, you must present evidence that you live here or have a residence here year-round. Rent or utility receipts, or payroll documents, will be useful.

Submit your documents to, and get assistance from, Records and Registration, Building D, ext. 4230.
The **Student Academic Status Committee** is a faculty standing committee that reviews the academic performance of students who are not making expected progress toward the degree, or request exception from regular academic procedures and requirements. Based on the reviews, the SASC determines the students’ status. The SASC has two student members elected by the student body.

The SASC acts on behalf of the faculty as a whole. If you had (for example) an unsatisfactory academic contract, the SASC would schedule a review, to which you and your sponsor would be called. After consulting with all concerned and discussing the problem, the SASC would take an action concerning your “academic status.” It might recommend to the provost your dismissal from New College; put you on probation and specify certain standards and deadlines your future work must meet; or defer action pending further information.

Also see **Probation**, page 30, and **Who Governs?**, page 47.

**Scholarships**

About 40 percent of the student body receives New College Foundation scholarships or University of South Florida “waivers” of the out-of-state portion of tuition. Most scholarships and waivers are conferred by Admissions on the basis of an applicant’s credentials. Not every able student gets a scholarship or waiver offer; there isn’t enough money.

Once enrolled, you can request consideration for scholarship assistance that would begin after a minimum enrollment of two semesters. First, apply for need-based financial aid through the Financial Aid Office, Building E, ext. 4257. New College does not add you to the scholarship roster if your need can be met through public funds to which you have a just claim.

If need-based aid is insufficient or unavailable, see the director of special project development, Office of the Provost, Cook Hall, ext. 4320. If scholarship money is available, you are progressing well academically, and have genuine financial need, the college will try to help.
Student Affairs, Office of

At New College, the initiative for student life has always come from students. Thus, the Office of Student Affairs, Hamilton Center, ext. 4250, aims to assist and support students, not determine what student life will be. Oaré Dozier-Henry is the director. Drop by and get acquainted.

The mission of Student Affairs is to make the learning (and living) venture here a positive experience that will nurture and benefit you as a student and an individual. In an effort to provide a well-rounded educational experience, Student Affairs offers avenues of involvement in social development, physical fitness, emotional well-being and spiritual exploration. To meet this end, Student Affairs services include: health services, residential life, food service, financial aid, counseling (personal and career), campus book shop, and recreation. For housing concerns, contact Mark Johnson, the New College student affairs coordinator. To learn how the Office of Student Affairs fits into college and university decision-making, see Who Governs?, page 47.

Student Resource Center

If you want to explore the subtleties of personal potential and interpersonal relationships, the Student Resource Center staff is available for consultation. Professionals offer you perspective as you discover unique qualities you might develop further to make experience richer. Dr. Anne Fisher is director of counseling and the Student Resource Center.

Methods at the center include one-on-one counseling, biofeedback, self-administered tests and inventories, and workshops. Workshops are offered to explore topics with staff and visiting professionals.

The center provides life planning and career planning assistance, and offers help in locating part-time jobs.

When you have a personal problem, need a job, or want to reflect with a skilled listener, visit the center in Building E, or call ext. 4258. The center is a division of Student Affairs. Also in Building E are the campus minister (see page 30) and the writing consultant (page 35).

Substance Abuse

See page 13.
Transcripts

All satisfactory educational activities appear on your transcript. To request a transcript, contact the Office of Records and Registration, building D. Allow 10 working days for processing your request. No fee.

Tuition and Fees

You pay the same tuition at New College you’d pay at any other state school in Florida. Tuition is set by the Florida Board of Regents. State tuition is based on credit hours. For tuition purposes only, New College enrollment is equated to 16 credit hours per semester and four per ISP (credit hour equivalents are not used for any academic purpose). Students are considered lower division for the first two semesters; upper division rates are assessed after two New College semesters or the equivalent transfer credit.

You also pay Activities and Service (A & S) fees that become available to students to fund student government, student activities and Hamilton Center costs. Through your participation in student government, you can play a role in allocating A & S funds (see Who Governs?, page 47). Housing and board charges are set by the Office of Student Affairs in consultation with the dean, provost, and student government. Housing charges take into account debt service, enrollment, operating costs, and scheduled maintenance costs, while board charges reflect enrollment, market factors and labor and management costs.

For assistance meeting tuition and fee obligations, see Money, page 26, and Scholarships, page 32.

Tuition Waivers

See Scholarships, page 32.

Tutorials

When you want to study a subject not offered as a course, you can seek a tutorial with a professor. Sometimes a third party — an outside expert or a senior student — will serve as a consultant. Many tutorials meet regularly, while others are like independent studies. Almost 300 tutorials are set up each semester, astounding when you consider there are only about 50 professors.
Logistics dictate that not all subjects can be addressed by tutorials, and that there is sometimes a wait of a semester or two before a particular tutorial can be scheduled.

University Program
USF offers on campus the University Program: junior and senior level and graduate courses to full and part-time students through USF's Colleges of Business Administration, Engineering, Education, Nursing, Public Health and Arts and Sciences. University Program, which serves over 1300 students, is separate academically and administratively from New College (see Who Governs?, page 47). The University Program academic affairs offices are in Building D, ext. 4330.

Writing
Professors will often attend carefully to your writing, sometimes making line-by-line notations that point you toward improved writing. But their time and patience are not unlimited, and inept writing — writing that suggests you are satisfied merely with having something on paper — may earn you a curt response.

“My writing skills and my familiarity with the humanities have been a tremendous advantage. I wrote. I read a lot.” — Anita Allen ’74, law professor, Georgetown University

If you want additional help with your writing, contact writing consultant Jan Wheeler, 125 Building E (Dort Drive entrance), ext. 4326. Jan Wheeler will analyze your writing and propose a regimen of tasks and individual or group consultations that address your needs. Work with Jan Wheeler becomes a formal educational activity in an academic contract when arrangements to that effect are made with, and signed by, a faculty member.
"[W]e the faculty reaffirm that New College has been and should always be a predominantly residential program, that residentiality provides an essential undergirding for the academic program."
— Faculty Resolution, 1987

“You may expect your roommate to be charming, enthusiastic, and eager. Instead, he may be boorish, homesick, and rebellious. And you may expect an academic program which is always challenging but always within your ability to cope ... there will be times when you can’t cope, times when challenge becomes labor and labor becomes dull.” — John Elmendorf, New College president, 1966

The Housing Office, Hamilton Center, ext. 4259, is your landlord (see page 22). Topics pertinent to residence hall life follow.

**Air Conditioning and Heating**

All rooms are air conditioned or heated, according to season. December through March, temperatures can change from cold to hot and back again in a matter of hours. Unfortunately, the Pei AC/heating plant cannot change back and forth in a few hours. Thus Pei residents usually endure a day or two of less than ideal temperatures every year. If it seems an intolerable burden, just check the newspaper for the weather up north.
Balconies/Roofs/Ledges

Many rooms have balconies. Climbing over them, standing or sitting on the ledges, or climbing on the roofs is dangerous.

Cleaning/ Maintenance

You and your roommate are responsible for the care of your room and its furnishings. A limited housekeeping service is provided to help. There are trash bins, emptied daily, in each court.

To avoid a cleaning or repair charge when you vacate your room, leave it in good condition, with all furnishings in place. If you move furnishings or appliances from rooms without authorization, you accept responsibility for damage or loss. Please clean up after using kitchens and other common areas.

Cooking

Kitchenettes are available to residents in Pei, B-dorm and Viking. Because of fire hazard, open-element appliances and devices using an open flame are prohibited in your room. Also see Food Service, page 19, Food Shopping, page 19, and Refrigerators, page 40.

Cohabitation

New College does not restrict the hours when students may visit each other in their rooms. But students are not assigned, do not draw, and may not otherwise arrange to live in a room with students of the opposite sex, unless, of course, they are married to each other.

Times, and customs, change:

"[The intervisitation] privilege is granted ... generally during daylight hours until 11 p.m. on week days (Sunday through Thursday) and until 1 a.m. on weekends (Friday and Saturday nights). You should note that intervisitation is a privilege regulated jointly by the student government and the college administration." — Student Handbook,
Emergency

Accident, crime, life-threatening, fire: Get the campus police, ext. 4210 or at the Cop Shop, opposite Sudakoff Center. Open 24 hours. See Police, page 29.

Maintenance problem, inter-personal problem, noise, rule violations, etc.: Monday-Friday, 8-5, contact the Housing Office, Hamilton Center, ext. 4259. All other times, contact the RA on duty, 355-0961. See Resident Assistants, page 39.

Guests

Periodic visits from a non-student guest or guests are permitted only at the request of a resident, who then becomes responsible for each guest’s conduct. A guest’s presence shall never be used to deny access to the room by a roommate, nor shall guests be permitted to cause any undue hardship on a room resident.

Housing Contract

Read your housing contract, preferably before you sign it. Know its provisions. It is a legally binding agreement.

Housing Fees

See Tuition and Fees, page 34.

Keys

You receive a room key at check-in. If you lose it, pay the Housing Office $10 for a replacement. Fail to return the key at the end of the year, pay $25.

Lock your room when no one is in it. Secure doors while you sleep, as well. If your lock doesn’t work, tell the Housing Office immediately and fill out a work request form.

Laundry

There are coin operated washers and dryers in B-dorm, second Pei Court, and at the Viking. Trail Plaza, N. Trail and Myrtle, has a dry cleaner and a commercial laundromat.

Lounges

Each of the three Pei courts and the Viking has a lounge.
First court lounge is the study lounge; second court has a big-screen TV and a kitchenette; third court offers a no smoking alternative with a kitchenette. B-dorm has four lounges and cooking facilities.

Mail

See page 25.

Noise

You have the right to reasonable quiet in your room. If you are unable to study or sleep because of noise, attempt first to resolve the matter directly with the person(s) causing the problem. If this doesn’t work, try mediation, for example, by a resident assistant (see below).

Students must cooperate to achieve a reasonable balance among life styles. Sensitivity, respect, consideration for others, and talking it over help a great deal.

Pest Control

Housing staff treat all rooms monthly with pest control chemicals. If you still have insect problems, or if you have allergies to the chemicals, tell the Housing Office, ext. 4259.

Pets

No pets, animals, or insects may be kept in rooms, in and around housing areas, or on the campus.

Privacy

It is highly valued at New College. Unless officials have evidence of misconduct, health or fire hazard, endangering others, or self-destructiveness, your room is your castle.

Resident Assistants (RAs)

RAs are students on the Student Affairs team. They live and work in the residence halls. Go to them for information, academic or social guidance, help with court activities and social events, even for light bulbs and toilet paper. RAs go through rigorous screening before they get the job.

They are on staff because they understand New College, and care about your welfare as a student and campus resident. You can approach them with confidence. Every night from 6-9 an RA is available in the RA office. And an RA is on duty
when the Housing Office is closed — just dial 355-0961.

**Refrigerators**

Refrigerators up to five cubic feet are allowed in the residence halls. You can rent them from local vendors (Sarasota Rent-all, 922-2772; Rental Mart, 925-1232), buy new from an appliance dealer, or buy used. Often, students have them for sale.

**Room Changes**

When roommates find it impossible to co-exist, they may trade rooms and roommates. The resident assistants or other Housing Office staff will help, at your request. Changes must be approved by the Housing Office.

Remember, you are accountable for the condition of the room which is yours on record. And, although no one wants to intrude on your privacy, we need to know where you are living in event of an emergency.

**Room Draw**

Each spring, students planning to live on campus the following fall can select their new room. The most tenured residents have priority in the selection process. To participate in room draw, you must make a deposit toward next year’s housing fee.

**Roommates**

Sharing a few square feet of space can create tension even among the best of friends. Some survival hints:

» Communicate clearly.

» Be assertive, but willing to compromise. Set the tone so as to solve a problem; avoid "zero sum" (I win/you lose) games.

» Remember that you are not your roommate’s keeper. Your ideas about nutrition, exercise, study techniques, and the like don’t necessarily work for another person.

» Appreciate your roommate. Common courtesy and a few words of support or praise can help any close relationship.

» There is no perfect roommate. Concentrate on making this roommate relationship work.

» Ask your resident assistant to help mediate conflicts you
haven't been able to resolve.

Remember, having a roommate builds character!

Rooms
The Pei courts offer five different room plans. Upstairs double balcony and garden balcony rooms are considered prime real estate. Single balcony rooms, on the first floor, are popular among students who don't like to climb stairs. There are rooms without balconies on the first floor, commonly called “fishbowls” (rooms with picture windows but without sliding glass doors). Second floor rooms with sliding glass doors but without balconies — there is a 3-foot barrier railing — are called “suicide balconies.” Pei rooms are designed for double occupancy and each has a private entrance and bathroom.

B-dorm offers single rooms in a corridor-style residence hall. The privacy afforded by a single creates a demand for these accommodations, even though the rooms are small.

The Viking has single rooms with private baths. This is designated a “quiet” residence hall. These spacious rooms are offered at a premium single room rate (1 1/2 times the double occupancy rate).

Security
New College is a relatively safe place, but bear in mind that it is vulnerable because of its open borders, exposure to a major highway and tolerant social atmosphere. Campus police are always on duty to protect and assist you. Student patrols of the residence hall area in the early morning hours sometimes supplement the police patrols. You can protect yourself and increase campus security if you observe these guidelines:

- Lock your room when no one is in it and when you are sleeping.
- Lock your bike and your car.
- Don't talk with strangers about your state-of-the-art racing bike, stereo or computer.
- Politely confront strangers in the residence hall area.
- Report burned out lights and non-functioning doors or locks.
» Don’t invite strangers to the residence halls. If you encounter homeless peers, seek professional help for them.

» Exercise reasonable caution when you move around the campus and vicinity.

Also see Police, page 29.

Solicitation

No solicitors or door-to-door salespersons are allowed. Report violations immediately to campus police. Often door-to-door sales are a scam to “case” the residences.

Telephone Service

Nearly every Pei room has a phone jack. To order phone service, contact General Telephone, 1-800-282-5757. You are responsible for all costs. When you order a phone, be prepared for a sales pitch for “enhancements” you may not need; they can add substantially to your monthly bill.
Recreation and Sports

People come from all over the world to lie on Sarasota's beaches and to enjoy year-round golf, tennis, and other sports.

Beaches

Protecting mainland Sarasota is a string of barrier islands called keys. They have white sand beaches on their Gulf of Mexico shores. All are free. Each has its own character.

Lido Key's beaches are closest to New College. Drive S on the Trail to Ringling Causeway. Turn right, cross the bay to St. Armands Circle; the gulf is directly ahead. For a bike route to Lido, see page 71. By bus, change at the downtown terminal to bus #4 Lido, to the beach.

Lido Key has a two mile-long beach that people think of as North Lido, Lido, and South Lido. Lido has parking lots, a pavilion with food and bathrooms, a pool, and lifeguards. North Lido was for a time topless, but no more. It is often uncrowded and has a fine view of New Pass.

South Lido has a tree-shaded park with picnicking, a volleyball net, and ample parking.

All Florida beaches are public, because the land between the water and the mean high tide line is state-owned. To keep the public out, wealthy beachfront property owners on some keys close off beach access. Longboat Key is such a place. But you can get to Beer Can Island, facing the pass between Longboat Key and Anna Maria Island. From St. Armands drive N, the full length of Longboat Key. Watch for the last turn on the left before the bridge to Anna Maria; turn left and keep to the right. Park at the turn around with the little beach sign.

Over the bridge are Coquina Beach and Bradenton Beach.

Siesta Key, south of Lido, has Siesta Beach, an arc of sand considered the region's best. Drive S on the Trail to Siesta Drive; turn right, continue across the drawbridge onto Siesta Key. The road turns southward. At the fork bear ahead right, then take the first right for Siesta Village. Go through
the funky village to the beach. Pavilion, volleyball and tennis courts, picnic areas, ball field. By bus, transfer downtown to **bus #11 Siesta Key/Sarasota Square**, which runs hourly.

For a more secluded beach, drive to the southern tip of Siesta Key. **Turtle Beach** extends south as a sandbar between the gulf and Little Sarasota Bay. Until homeowners who foolishly built on shifting Siesta shores moved the pass to protect their homes, Turtle Beach ended at Midnight Pass. The new pass changed the currents, Midnight Pass filled with sand, and now Turtle Beach connects Siesta Key to Casey Key, a narrow key favored by the very affluent. Attempts to reopen the pass have repeatedly failed, but tune in again after the next hurricane.

Still not beached out? Take U.S. 41 S to Nokomis; go right on Route 789, across Blackburn Bay to **Nokomis Beach**. Or continue on 41, taking Business 41 into Venice. Right on Venice Avenue to **Venice Beach**, or S and E to Harbour Drive and then S to **Caspersen Beach**. They are noted for fossilized sharks’ teeth. Both beaches are on the mainland, not keys. Caspersen has a nature walk through varied shore habitats.

**A cautionary note:** Swimming near an inlet to a bay can be particularly dangerous. Inlets create powerful undertows and swift cross-currents. Do not swim alone in these areas.

**Canoeing**

Southwest Florida has meandering, gently flowing rivers and creeks ideal for leisurely canoeing. **South Creek** is within Oscar Scherer State Recreation Area, U.S. 41 in Osprey, a few miles S of Sarasota Square Mall (966-3154). Rentals are $2.12/hour plus a nominal park admission. Ideal for novices.

Not far from New College, seven miles of the sparsely developed **Braden River** in southern Manatee County are navigable; rent canoes at Jiggs Landing on Braden River Road (756-6745). Go N on U.S. 301 to Route 70, then E to Braden River Road.

Farther north, the **Little Manatee River** flows through groves of oak, pine and hickory. Little Manatee Canoe Outpost (1-634-2228) outfits 7- to 16-mile trips from Wimauma; I-75 N to Parrish, then N on U.S. 301 seven miles.
The Peace River flows through Arcadia, an hour E of Sarasota. Near town, two outfitters offer rentals and pick-ups (so you can canoe one-way, then be driven back to the starting point). Call Peace River Canoe Outpost (1-494-1215) or Canoe Safari (1-494-7865).


**Sports and Games**

The emphasis at New College is on individual initiative, spontaneity and informality, supported by excellent facilities, with more about to be built.

The campus has a 25-meter pool, full-size basketball court, two tennis courts, and an aging but lovable outdoor, lighted racquetball court. Construction will begin soon on an indoor racquetball court with weight room and spa.

Pick-up games of softball, volleyball, frisbee, soccer and basketball are frequent. Hamilton Center has pool and tennis tables and arcade games. On a more cerebral level there are chess and Go clubs active most semesters.

The Sarasota YMCA has inexpensive student memberships. Excellent facilities and skills courses are a 15-minute drive from campus (957-0770; 1075 S. Euclid Avenue — go S to Bahia Vista, E to corner of Euclid, between Shade and Tuttle).

Here is more on specific sports:

**Baseball** — The Chicago White Sox train in Sarasota, the Pitts-burgh Pirates in Bradenton. A half dozen other major league teams train within 60 or so miles of Sarasota.

**Basketball** — There are pick-up games, usually on Tuesday and Thursday after 4 p.m., also Sunday about 11:30 a.m.

**Bicycling** — There are local touring clubs. Also see Getting Around Town, page 71, and Bicycles, page 15.

**Golf** — The city operates Bobby Jones Golf Club, 42 holes, 1000 Circus Boulevard (955-8041); take 17th Street E to Cir-
cus Boulevard, just past Beneva. Closest public course is **Rolling Green**, 18 holes, par 72, 4501 N. Tuttle (355-7621); take DeSoto E to Tuttle, turn right.

**Jogging and Walking** — See Getting Around, page 70.

**Sailing** — We’re on one of Florida’s great sailing bays. O’Leary’s Sarasota Sailing School, Island Park (953-7505), sells lessons and rents sailing and windsurfing equipment and jet skis. Most semesters, a **Sail and Trail Club** is active on campus. Equipment for student use includes two Hobie Cats.

**SCUBA** — The students’ SCUBA Club owns five full sets of gear, including tanks, regulators, octopuses and bouyancy compensators, which you can check out if you’re certified. Several shops offer diving instruction; check the Yellow Pages.

**Softball** — Economics prof. Rick Coe coaches men’s and women’s teams that play in the city league and often win.

**Tennis** — Try the lighted courts at the YMCA, where instruction is available as well. See above for location.
Who Governs?

Just as elsewhere, at New College rules must be made and applied, and scarce resources must be allocated. Here's how it's done and how students participate.

Village in the Metropolis

New College is a village in the metropolis of the University of South Florida, Florida's second largest university.

New College has its own faculty, student body, admissions office and curriculum. You will graduate at a New College commencement and receive a New College of USF diploma.

Communication between our village and the metropolis flows through our provost. He reports to the university provost, who reports to the university president.

The provost presides over the faculty. The chairmen of the three academic divisions — John Moore, Humanities; Jane Stephens, Natural Sciences; and Tony Andrews, Social Sciences - - report to him, as does acting director of admissions Edward Custard and the director of special project development, James Feeney. The New College Environmental Studies Program coordinators, writing specialist and alumni coordinator report to the provost. A New College student life coordinator reports to both the provost and director of student affairs.

Being part of a metropolis entails constraints. We cannot do some things — like lease our land for commercial benefit — that a private school could do. We cannot set our own personnel policies, because we are constrained by agreements between the university and employee bargaining agents, and by various state policies.

It also means bureaucracy. Your student tuition account is one of over 28,000 accounts in a huge computer. But the university has a business manager, financial aid officer, and registrar here on campus, so there is someone who stands between you and that computer. (In fact, business manager Berni Lundstrom and registrar Nancy Ferraro both held similar positions at New College before it affiliated with
Being part of the metropolis entails metropolis-size benefits as well, most obviously, access to the state's financial resources and library system. There is no way a private New College could have built a $6.1 million library. Another benefit is the buying power of the USF student government. (See Medical Insurance, page 25, and Legal Assistance, page 24.)

**Paying for Village Life**

USF funds New College as a program of the university. But New College, because of its low student-faculty ratio, national admissions campaign, and enriched academic services, costs more than the university can pay. Consequently, we require supplemental private funding. The extra money is raised by the New College Foundation, a private, non-profit educational foundation located in Robertson Hall.

Like any institution, New College defines its needs, then seeks money to meet those needs from its funding sources: the university, the foundation, and granting agencies like the National Science Foundation and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Students' interests are represented in decisions related to funding by means of their positions on faculty committees, in the academic divisions, and at the faculty meeting. Student government also formulates and reports needs with funding implications to the provost and dean (see below). Finally, a new graduate, selected from a list generated by a student election, is appointed annually to a **three-year term on the foundation Board of Trustees**. Thus, at any given time, three recent graduates sit on the board. Additionally, current students often are asked to **advise trustees during their three meetings yearly** on campus. Also see page 26.

**Academic Decisions in the Village**

New College academics are the responsibility of the provost and the faculty. Both solicit student participation in exercising their responsibility.

Academic decisions fall into three categories: setting academic goals, rules, policies, and procedures (In what areas do we grant degrees?); determining the status of teachers (Should Dr. Chips get tenure?); and determining the
status of students (Should Ms. Muffett be granted early graduation?).

The faculty governs through the faculty meeting. The provost presides over the meeting, which is conducted by Robert's Rules of Order. The New College Student Alliance (see below) selects five of its Academic Affairs Council members to sit as voting members of the faculty meeting.

The faculty meeting also is a forum through which the faculty communicates its opinion on campus issues, such as library policy, allocation of space, and the like.

The faculty meeting is held the second Wednesday of each month, September through May. Any community member may attend and, at the chair’s discretion, participate in discussions.

Like most governing bodies, the faculty meeting does much of its work through standing committees. Students elect voting representatives to all but one of these committees. The committees, with number of student members in parentheses, are: Educational Policy (2); Admissions (3); Library (3); Faculty Appointments and Status, concerned with personnel policies (3); Student Academic Status (2); Space, concerned with physical facilities (3); Student Life (3); and Provost's Advisory (0). Provost's Advisory, in accordance with state policy, conducts privileged discussion of individual tenure and promotion cases. (Students do have input to tenure and promotion decisions, as described below.)

The faculty meeting is not the faculty’s only forum. Every professor is appointed in one — and only one — of the three academic divisions. Monthly division meetings are a forum for discussing and resolving issues. The divisions are the first line of decision on hiring, retaining, promoting, and granting tenure to their members. Students elect two voting representatives to each division.

The Environmental Studies Program, a special academic support unit under the provost, has an ESP Steering Committee, with three faculty representatives and an elected student representative.

**Faculty Status Decisions**

Whom to hire for a faculty position, whom to keep, whom to
promote? The decisions are made at four levels. First, the divisional faculty vote. The results are conveyed to the Provost's Advisory Committee, or, in the case of new appointments, to the Faculty Appointments and Status Committee. The appropriate committee reviews the results and makes a recommendation to the provost. The provost recommends to the USF provost, and the USF provost to the president. Each level can recommend reversal of the previous level.

Decision makers review the student input on a professor's job performance. That input is as follows.

First, you complete a written evaluation of faculty performance in every course and tutorial you take. Your evaluation is anonymous or not, as you choose. It becomes part of the professor's file, available to the professor. If students cite problems, the professor can work on correcting them.

Second, your elected representatives participate in the divisional meetings, where candidates for jobs, promotion, and tenure are discussed. (Again, state policy forbids student voting on promotion, retention and tenure.)

Third, you are asked to comment on professors' candidacies for retention, promotion and tenure. Your comments must be written and signed. You can express opinions indirectly by sharing your views about the candidate with the candidates' colleagues.

In addition, through your choice of courses, sponsors, and areas of concentration, you and your fellow students collectively have an impact on personnel decisions.

**Student Status Decisions**

Each student's academic standing is determined by the student's progress toward the BA. When all degree requirements are complete, the faculty meeting, in executive session (only faculty members participate), votes conferral of the degree.

When students fail to make normal progress toward the BA, their student status becomes subject to review. The faculty meeting delegates this review to the Student Academic Status Committee (SASC), which has four faculty and two elected student members. The SASC also reviews student petitions for exemption from various academic requirements.
The provost receives all appeals from SASC action. Also see page 32.

The Village and the County
If New College is a village and the university a metropolis, USF at Sarasota is a county providing our village with critical services. Chief executive officer of USF at Sarasota is the dean of the campus, Robert V. Barylski, a political scientist.

All of the supporting services for New College and USF's academic program at Sarasota (see University Program, page 35) are the responsibility of the campus dean. The librarian, media center director, registrar, student affairs director, public affairs director, business manager, police services director, and physical plant supervisor report to the dean, as does the associate dean of the University Program. A development officer, who raises funds to support campus facilities and the University Program, and the director of USF's regional engineering program also report to the dean. The dean does not have authority over New College admissions, academics or faculty.

All of us at New College are clients of the dean's services, and as clients we sit on committees, attend forums, submit petitions and make recommendations. Students participate in faculty-sponsored discussions and forums, and make their own representations to the dean through student government.

Managing Student Affairs
The Office of Student Affairs is responsible for non-academic services to students. These include the Student Resource Center, financial aid, residence halls, bookstore, food service, health service plan, and management of Hamilton Center. The New College student affairs coordinator supports the social and cultural aspirations of New College students. The coordinator reports jointly to the director of student affairs and provost, so that he or she may be informed about, and responsive to, ways to link New College academics and residential life.

Student Affairs is available to assist the student body and student government in formulating policies for residential life, enforcing the rules, resolving disputes, managing student
resources, and interpreting university and state policies that affect student life. See Resident Assistants, page 39).

Student Affairs has authority, on behalf of the university and college, to insure that students adhere to college, state, and university policies, and that resources are properly used. It adjudicates, or refers to the provost and dean, cases of serious rule infraction that are considered beyond the competence of the Student Court.

These various responsibilities, with their implications for decision-making, mean that the Office of Student Affairs and student government work together in many ways.

For more about the services Student Affairs provides, and the approach it takes to New College student life, see page 33.

Decision-making and Student Life

Students have great autonomy in the conduct of their personal lives, whether they live on or off campus. Moreover, they have use of A & S funds (see page 34) to support cultural, recreational, and educational enhancements of their choosing, and to operate the student center and student government.

Thus, student life is largely self-governing, with Student Affairs, the provost, the dean, and others preferring to offer support rather than imposing direction.

Student government has two major agencies, the New College Student Alliance (NCSA) and Campus Council. The University Students Association is concerned with University Program students on the Sarasota campus (see page 35).

The NCSA aims to foster a shared sense of community and to preserve New College’s identity and vitality as a unique alternative in American higher education. It acts on students’ behalf in matters regarding education and the academic well-being of New College and its students. The NCSA represents student interests in the administrative affairs of New College, USF, and the state.

Campus Council is an “umbrella” body composed of four representatives each from the NCSA and the University Students Association. Campus Council prepares the A & S budget, allocating moneys to the two student governments and directly to groups or programs benefiting the campus community at
Distributed with this handbook is a copy of the NCSA Constitution. It describes the offices, duties, and procedures of the NCSA, including the student court. It sets forth a student bill of rights. The constitution is not legally binding on New College faculty and administration. But faculty and administrators are sensitive to the student rights and aspirations embodied in the constitution. Get additional copies from the NCSA office in Hamilton Center.

**Summing Up**

Throughout this section, the bold type highlights points where you are represented formally in decision-making at New College. You have a wide range of opportunities to participate.

In addition, every student has direct access to the faculty, officers, and staff of New College and USF at Sarasota. Making your case so others understand you is a powerful tool, one that New College students learn to use.
The New College "Village" Academic Organization

Board of Regents (Tallahassee)

President
University of South Florida (Tampa)

Provost
Office of Academic Affairs
University of South Florida (Tampa)

Provost
New College of USF

Humanities Chairperson
Art History
Classics
Fine Arts
Languages
Music
Philosophy
Religion

(2)*

Natural Sciences Chairperson
Biology
Chemistry
Cognitive Science/
Psychology
Computer Science
Mathematics
Physics

(2)*

Social Sciences Chairperson
Anthropology
Economics
History
Political Science
Psychology
Sociology

(2)*

Environmental Studies Program Coordinators
Steering Committee Representatives from each Division

(1)*

Director of Admissions
Office of Admissions

Director of Special Project Development

Alumni Coordinator

Writing Consultant

Student Life Coordinator
(Also reports to Director of Student Affairs)

* Number of voting student representatives.
The Academic Year ...Deadlines, Deadlines, Deadlines ...

A New College myth: You don’t have to worry about deadlines at New College...

Not so. Failure to observe deadlines leads to a penalty fee in many instances, and in others to forfeiture of your enrollment.

A Generic Academic Calendar, with Deadlines

Below are important points in the academic year. For current dates, refer to the Academic Calendar, available from the Office of Records and Registration, Building D, ext. 4230.

You are responsible for knowing and observing academic and payment deadlines. Register and file documents at the Office of Records and Registration; receive scholarship and financial aid checks and pay tuition, fees and room/board at the Business Office, Building D, ext. 4220.

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Monday, 9th week of the semester
Friday, 9th week of the semester
November 1
Friday, 12th week of the semester
December 1
Friday, 15th week of the semester
Sixteenth week of the semester
Friday, 16th week of the semester
or Friday.

Enrollment canceled if contract not submitted by 5 p.m.
Enrollment canceled if tuition/fees not paid by 3 p.m.
Module I ends
Fall Break Week
Module II begins
Deadline for fifth semester students to submit area of concentration declarations; sixth semester students must submit theses prospectuses.
Deadline for declaring spring semester off campus study or leave of absence.
Deadline for renegotiating contracts.
Deadline for submitting independent study project sign-up for January Interterm.
Fall semester and Module II classes end.
Reading/advising/evaluation week. Opportunity to consult with sponsor about the semester.
Fall semester and Module II end.

January Interterm
January independent study projects undertaken (seniors engaged in senior thesis work). First year students must be on campus.
### Spring Semester

**Friday before the spring semester begins**
- Deadline for submitting university registration form. Late registrations accepted until next Friday, with $25 late fee.
- Spring semester and Module I begin.

**Monday, early February (first day of classes).**

**Friday, 1st week of the semester**
- Deadline for late registration.

**Wednesday, 2nd week of the semester**
- Deadline to pay tuition/fees, 3 p.m. *(note time).* $25 late fee if tuition paid after 3 p.m. Deadline to withdraw without financial penalty.

**Friday, 2nd week of the semester**
- Deadline for submitting contracts, 5 p.m. $25 late fee for contracts submitted Thursday or Friday.

**Friday, 4th week of the semester**
- Enrollment canceled if contract not submitted by 5 p.m.

**Friday, 7th week of the semester**
- Enrollment canceled if tuition/fees not paid by 3 p.m.

**Mid/late-March, 8th week of the semester**
- Module I ends.

**Monday, 9th week of the semester**
- Spring Break Week.

**Friday, 9th week of the semester**
- Module II begins.

**May 1**
- Deadline for fifth semester students to submit area of concentration declarations; sixth semester students must submit theses prospectuses.
- Deadline for declaring fall semester off campus study or leave of absence.
Friday, 12th week of the semester

Friday, 15th week of the semester

Sixteenth week of the semester

Friday, 16th week of the semester

Deadline for submitting independent study project sign-up for Summer ISP.

Deadline for renegotiating contracts.

Spring semester and Module II classes end.

Reading/advising/evaluation week. Opportunity to consult with sponsor about the semester.

Spring semester and Module II end.

Commencement.
Why Graduate from here?

During your career here, you will almost certainly feel, at times, that the ambiguity, isolation, uncertainty and work aren't worth it. Why stay?

As a graduate, you will realize that your New College BA is interchangeable with no other. While there are many excellent colleges, New College is unique in putting students through rigorous intellectual demands in the context of great autonomy.

Examples of post-graduate achievement abound. Alumnae/i include a Hollywood screenwriter, a physicist developing laser discs, an investigative reporter, designer of the first software for the new IBM "PS" computers, a director of legal services for the poor, a science fiction novelist, physician to a rural West Virginia community, president of Southwest Florida's largest agribusiness, a psychiatrist, an actress, an award-winning poet, an award-winning playwright, a translator of Soviet technical publications, a Princeton mathematician, a Purdue economist, a Cornell mathematician, a jazz guitarist, a concert pianist, a rock band leader, a publisher of Irish poets...

Commencement is held annually on a Friday evening in mid or late May, under a tent at the bayfront.

Once you are an alumna or alumnus, you will be invited to be active in the New College Alumnae/i Association, which provides important expertise and financial support to New College. The association assists admissions recruiting, holds annual reunions on campus, convenes alumni regionally to meet with new students and visiting faculty, and develops support activities for current students and faculty. It stimulates communication among alumni, who find that the New College degree creates a bond transcending generations and post-graduate experiences. Also see page 14.
I want to suggest that you go through this ceremony tonight and then keep right on going — without changing....

We are mavericks. And that’s one very good reason why you shouldn’t let the ritual of graduation change you...

After I became a maverick, I went to business school — at Harvard. And in that citadel of conservatism and during the business career that has followed, I found out that mavericks can thrive in any environment. I also found out that we have an advantage.

Because we are unreasonable enough to want to assume individual responsibility, we set ourselves apart from the crowd. Because we are comfortable with confrontation, with debate, with expressing our points of view, we often find ourselves thrust into positions of leadership. Because we are blessed with first-class minds, we will always ask questions. And we can often find answers that elude others.

Because we are restless, creative and curious, we are never satisfied with things as they are. We wonder constantly what might be. And so we tinker. We mess with order. We make others uncomfortable. We ask the wrong questions. We want to know: what is the meaning of all of this?

We can go, unchanged, into the world and remain the mavericks that the New College experience has allowed us to become. We can continue to be somehow different and assume individual responsibility; we can relish confrontation.

On behalf of my fellow maverick alumni, I welcome you as reinforcements. Don’t ever change.

John Cranor ’67
President, Pepsi Cola East
Excerpts from Commencement Address, May 1987
New College and Sarasota offer a rich mix of cultural opportunities to the artist, performer, scholar, and fan. Moreover, I-75 and I-275 bring metro Tampa Bay within an hour, extending our cultural reach considerably.

**Art**

Sarasota has fine galleries and an active artist’s colony to supply them. And, next door to New College, it has the John & Mable Ringling Museum, known for its Baroque collection. **Students have free admission to the Museum and access to the art research library.** Open daily; bring your student ID (351-1660 for information; 355-5101 for the offices). Talk with Prof. Cris Hassold about opportunities at the Ringling for research or for simply learning to enjoy art.

There are art museums of note in St. Petersburg (see Salvador Dali Museum, page 75) and Tampa (see Tampa, page 75).

A search for art in Sarasota could begin right on campus. The Admissions and Humanities offices display New College alumni work. You’ll find sculpture and stained glass in the Hamilton Center dining room. Students under Prof. Jack Cartlidge’s guidance did the large sculpture between Buildings D and E. The Campus Fine Arts Council sponsors campus art shows, usually in the Hamilton Center Fishbowl. A student-funded, student-directed organization, it offers you an opportunity to be an arts patron.

For art courses, New College supplies paper, easels, clay, and sculpting materials. You can join students’ bulk orders for other supplies, such as brushes and paint. Students also shop at Barry Art Supplies, 126 N. Orange Avenue (955-4159).

Also see Photography, page 67.

**Bookstores**

**General Bookstores**

**Gulf Gate Bookshop,** 2222 Gulf Gate Drive, S of Gulf Gate Mall (922-9406), has a large selection of quality paperbacks,
plus thoughtfully selected current hardbacks. Worth the trip.

Marable's Bookstore, Main Street near Lemon Avenue (365-6112), has current best sellers, local authors, and paperback novels.

Charlie's News, Main Street and Palm Avenue (953-4688), is the place for magazines, out-of-town papers, and paperbacks.

Main Bookshop, 1962 Main Street (366-7653), opposite Maas Bros., is "Florida's largest publisher's over stock bookshop." You'll find some gems here. Open daily 10 a.m.-10 p.m.

Campus Bookshop has general literature. See page 14.

Desoto, Gulf Gate, South Gate and Sarasota Square malls have branches of the national bookstore chains.

New and Used Bookstore

Haslam's, 2025 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg (1-822-8616), in a class by itself, is Florida's largest book store. New and used books of all types. You're almost as likely to see someone from New College at Haslam's as at the Trail Plaza Publix. Go N on U.S. 41 or I-75 to I-275. Cross the Skyway, continue N on I-275 to I-175. Exit anywhere on I-175, then take any northbound street to Central. Left on Central to Haslam's.

Used Bookstores

Parker's Books, used and occasionally rare, 1488 Main Street (366-2898), has used records as well, with some prize jazz.

Pay half the cover price for used paperbacks, get a 25 per cent credit when you exchange them at Helen's, 1531 Main Street (955-2989), and Brant's, 3913 Brown Street, off Bay Road (365-3658).

Film

The student-run Film Series presents weekly campus screenings. Attend the Film Series meetings, voice your opinions, and begin your climb to campus film mogul. Faculty also sponsor film showings in connection with courses. There have been film history, anthropology, and German series recently, for example.

Several good film series are offered in Sarasota. Some are seasonal; check the Friday Sarasota Herald-Tribune. The Sarasota Film Society (388-2441) brings recent "art" films
for Monday afternoon and Saturday and Sunday morning screenings at the Plaza Theatre, Crossroads Shopping Center, U.S. 41 just N of Bee Ridge Rd. Large screen projection, and the popcorn stand is open.

Nearest commercial movie house is Teatro at Trail Plaza, 99 cents all shows, with a daily matinee and two evening shows; best buy in town (355-8058). North of New College about three miles is Bayshore Cinema (755-3781). All movies are $1.00 at the Crossroads Cinema, corner of Bee Ridge and U.S. 41.

Music

Musicology prof. and pianist Ron Riddle can introduce you to musical genres ranging from classical to country to Chinese, and although New College does not have a performance faculty, music students study with the area’s musicians, some of whom hold chairs in the Florida West Coast Symphony, conducted by former New College professor Paul Wolfe. Ken Bowermeister ’70 is assistant concert master. Florida West Coast Music presents many opportunities for student musicians to gain performance experience; phone 955-4562 for information.

Contact New College Prof. Stephen Miles about the New College choir. Students also sing in the city’s two choral societies, Key Chorale, 349-5616, and Gloria Musicae, 954-4223.

For practice on campus, pianos are located as follows: Steinway concert grand, Mason & Hamlin grand, and Everett upright in the Pump House, a little building between Robertson Hall and Social Sciences; Steinway grand in the Music Room, College Hall; Shoemaker grand in the Teaching Auditorium; and Wilson upright in Hamilton classroom three. The Pump House also has a harpsichord made by William Patterson as part of his senior thesis. Contact Prof. Miles or the Division of Humanities to reserve practice time.

Every winter, La Musica di Asolo, a chamber group from Asolo, Italy, takes up residence on campus, holding open rehearsals and presenting public concerts (free student tickets available). Along with its symphony, Sarasota has a resident string quartet, classical music festival (in June) and opera company, and it has the Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall,
where you can hear most of classical music’s and ballet’s big names, plus top pop, jazz, and country (but never hard rock) acts.

Even bigger names than Van Wezel can attract appear at the Tampa Bay Center for the Performing Arts, about an hour’s drive. See Tampa, page 75.

The USF Sun Dome, Tampa, and Bayfront Center, St. Petersburg, are rock venues (tickets from Ticket Master). WMNF brings acoustic, blues, ethnic and reggae to locations in and around Tampa. The Jazz Club of Sarasota sponsors a spring festival of 1940-60s jazz at the Van Wezel and welcomes new members. Van Wezel offers a few jazz shows annually.

Country music stars come to the Manatee Civic Center, Bayfront Center and Van Wezel.

On campus, the Fine Arts Council sponsors free concerts by local and visiting classical and jazz artists. Students run the council and you are welcome to participate.

There are alternatives to formula radio. “Community radio,” WMNF, 88.5, airs folk, acoustic, blues, jazz, reggae, new wave, ethnic, underground rock, international, bluegrass, and other music not heard on commercial stations. WUSF, 89.7, plays classical music and jazz. WHVE, 102.5, airs “light” jazz daily.

To buy, rent, or repair musical instruments and equipment: Paragon at 4211 N. Trail, a few blocks S (355-4848), and Thoroughbred at 7606 N. Trail (351-7793), a few blocks N.

Buy Ticket Master tickets to concerts all over Florida at Spec’s Music and Video (756-4159), in Cortez Plaza East, next to Wal-Mart in Bradenton; in Gulf Gate Mall (923-8868), US 41 and Clark Road; and in Maison Blanche (365-3100), South Gate Shopping Center, US 41 and Siesta Drive. Cash only. Get Van Wezel tickets at the box office (accept Master Card and VISA). For sold-out shows, a board in the Van Wezel lobby lists people with tickets to sell.

Check with Student Affairs before buying tickets to local events. Student Affairs may have information about student rush tickets.
Box Offices

Bayfront Center, 400 First St., St. Petersburg; 1-892-5767

Tampa City Convention Center, 600 Ashley St., Tampa; 1-223-8311

Eckerd College, 4200 54th Ave. S., St. Petersburg; 1-867-1166

Florida West Coast Music Inc. (Symphony, Chamber Orchestra, String Quartet, Wind Quintet, Music Festival), 709 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota; 953-4252

Friday Morning Musicale, 809 Horatio Blvd., Tampa (See WMNF)

Jazz Club of Sarasota, 61 N. Pineapple Ave., Sarasota; 366-1552

Manatee Civic Center, U.S. 41, Palmetto; 1-722-6626

Music Festival of Florida, 952-9634 (annual in June)

Neel Auditorium, Manatee Community College, 5840 26th St. W.; 755-1511

Ruth Eckerd Hall, 1111 McMullen-Booth Road, Clearwater; 1-854-1538

Sarasota Opera Company, Theater of the Arts, 61 N. Pineapple Ave., Sarasota; 953-7030

Sarasota Jazz Festival (April, see Jazz Club of Sarasota)

Sun Dome of USF, E. Fowler Ave., Tampa; 1-974-3000

Tampa Ballet, David Falk Theater, 428 W. Kennedy Blvd., Tampa; 1-2521-0254

Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center, Doyle Carleton Dr. (on the Hillsborough River S of I-4, downtown), Tampa; 1-222-1045

Tampa Theatre, 711 Franklin St. Mall, Tampa; 1-223-8981

Ticket Master, Spec’s, Cortez Plaza East; 756-4159

Ticket Master, Gulf Gate Mall, US 41 and Clark Rd; 923-8868

Ticket Master, Maison Blanche, Siesta Drive, 365-3100

Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall, 777 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota; 953-3366
WMNF Radio (88.5 FM), 1210 E. Buffalo Ave., Tampa; 1-238-8001 Get concert tickets at any Ticket Master outlet. Also see Records/Tapes/Disks below.

Photography
Student Government sponsors a darkroom facility.

Records/Tapes/Disks
Audio Corner, 2807 N. Trail, opposite Burger King (355-1214), is crammed with used rock, new wave, and other contemporary sounds. Audio Corner has hard-to-find imports and rock classics. Another rock shop is Peace Chief Sound Center, 5610 Route 41, Bradenton (756-6224); incongruously, it also sells Lionel trains.

Peaches, 2798 Fowler Av. E., Tampa (1-972-1900) 2307 S. Dale Mabry, just east of the USF Tampa campus, has a larger selection of new records and CDs, including classical, than any Sarasota store. (Take I-75 N to exit 54, then W past the campus; Peaches is on the right.)

Vinyl Fever, Tampa, (1-251-8399), has a large new and used stock, imports, and low prices. Bluegrass Parlor, 4810C Busch Boulevard E. (1-985-2780), specializes in traditional and bluegrass acoustic records and instruments. Bluegrass Parlor is about a mile SE of Peaches.

Science and History
Nearby are several research and educational institutions where New College students can intern or do research.

Mote Marine Laboratory, on City Island between St. Armands and Longboat keys, is a major center of research on marine life and on the effects of man’s activities on the gulf waters. The Mote Marine Science Center aquaria display native marine plants and animals. Open to visitors daily except Monday; admission (388-2451). For information on academic opportunities at Mote, contact a member of the New College biology faculty.

Marie Selby Botanical Gardens, the Trail and Palm Ave. just E of Bayfront Park, is a leading center of epiphyte research and micro-propagation. It is also a lovely bayfront garden in the heart of the city, open daily; admission (366-5730).
**South Florida Museum**, near the riverfront in downtown Bradenton, is a museum of regional history with an eclectic collection wide-ranging in subject matter and quality. Anthropology profs. Tony Andrews and Gary McDonogh offer museology internships at the museum. Adjoining is the Bishop Planetarium. Admission to museum and planetarium (746-4131).

**Spanish Point**, U.S. 41, Osprey, about 10 miles S of Sarasota, is a pioneer homestead. In 1911, Chicagoan Bertha Honore Palmer bought the property, along with about 30,000 more acres, and built an estate here. Spanish Point offers source materials for the study of Florida history, pre-history, and horticulture. Open daily except Monday; admission (966-5214).

**Theater**

Although New College offers no theater program, students study theater and present theatrical productions of high quality. Some January Interterms, the Division of Humanities offers an **acting workshop** taught by a visiting professor. The faculty, staff, and graduate students at the **Asolo State Theater** next door have served as tutors and consultants to New College student playwrights, directors, and producers.

**The Asolo** (355-5137) presents professional theater from late December through summer, right next door to Cook Library.

Read Friday's **Sarasota Herald-Tribune** and campus media for news of **Asolo Conservatory** workshop productions. These are by Florida State University graduate theater students. The acting is first-rate and the ticket price ridiculously low.

**Florida Studio Theatre (FST)**, downtown on Palm Avenue at Cocoanut (366-9796), is Sarasota's other professional theater. Look to FST for a mix of musical reviews and contemporary plays.

**Theatre Works** at the Palm Tree Playhouse, First Street and Cocoanut, does credible semi-professional productions (952-9170).

**The Players of Sarasota** (365-2494) and the **Manatee Players** (748-5875), community theaters, offer opportunities to participate. Check the **Sarasota Herald-Tribune** on Friday for showtimes and on Sunday for audition calls.
Touring companies bring Broadway to the Van Wezel, Bayfront Center, and the Tampa Bay Center for the Performing Art (see Box Offices, page 66).

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Bordering campus to the northwest is the Uplands, a neighborhood of single-family homes (one of them, Parkview House, is ours) and an old estate. Southeast, between the Trail and the bay, are the Ringling Museum, our Caples Campus, and an area of homes, some of them old and quite beautiful. Bay Shore Road, one of Sarasota's loveliest streets, is the main artery.

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You can ride to the beach without using Tamiami Trail:
S on Bay Shore Road to end at Indian Beach Drive. Left on Indian Beach. Cross the Trail; Indian Beach becomes 27th Street. Right at Cocoanut (sic), S to end at Gulfstream Boulevard. Right; take to the sidewalk on N side at intersection with Trail. Continue on sidewalk, a bike trail to St. Armands Circle. The beach is just past the circle.

Florida vehicular traffic laws apply to bikes. Stop at stop signs and ride with traffic. You may ride on sidewalks without pedestrian traffic. Many sidewalks have curb cuts.

Always ride defensively. Florida has the highest bicyclist fatality rate in the nation. East-west streets often lack both shoulders and sidewalks, and are particularly dangerous.

Sarasota Transit Bus (SCAT)
SCAT bus #10 links the campus with the supermarkets at Myrtle and the Trail, Selby Public Library, and downtown, where it connects to routes serving Lido and Siesta Keys, shopping malls, hospitals, and Greyhound.

The fare is $1 exact in paper or coins. Get a free transfer to connecting routes when you pay your fare. SCAT does not run evenings or Sundays and New Year’s Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Buses leave for downtown hourly between 6:50 a.m. and 6:50 p.m. Board on Gen. Spaatz, N side, across from the Hamilton Center driveway, or on the W side of the Trail just S of the bridge. Return buses leave First Street and Lemon Avenue downtown hourly between 6:15 a.m. and 6:15 p.m. Buses carry SCAT map and schedule folders, or call 951-5851 for bus information.

SCAT is slow but friendly and reliable. On board, you discover a different, almost invisible Sarasota — Mennonites opposed to cars on principle, handicapped folks, people with jobs too ill-paying or insecure to permit buying a car. And those older citizens who are too old to drive (or who never learned), but are still actively engaged with the world.

Manatee Transit Bus
MCT bus #10 links the campus with Bayshore Gardens and
Cortez Plaza shopping centers and Manatee Community College. Connections at Cortez to DeSoto Square Mall and DeSoto Junction, downtown Bradenton, Blake and Manatee hospitals and the beaches on Anna Maria Island. Fare $1 exact, paper or coins, 50 cents on Saturday, transfers free (obtain when paying fare). No service Sunday, evenings or holidays.

Buses leave the Ringling Museum for Cortez hourly between 6:55 a.m. and 5:55 p.m. Board the bus on the E side of the Trail, just S of the bridge or at Gen. Spaatz. Return buses leave Cortez for New College between 6:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Call 748-4501 ext. 3321 for information. Buses carry system map schedule folders.

Ride-Shares
Do you need a ride or want to offer one? Check and use the ride board in Hamilton Center.

Train
Amtrak (1-800-USA-RAIL) has two daily trains between Tampa and New York City, with intermediate stops and New York State, New England, and midwest connections. A chartered bus connects Sarasota with each Tampa train arrival and departure. The bus stop is at First and Lemon downtown. Travel agents sell Amtrak tickets. Amtrak has some cheap excursion fares.

Bus
Greyhound (955-9733) has a station on U.S. 301 (Washington Blvd) a few blocks N of Main. For most places, Amtrak is faster and more comfortable. Intercity buses are disappointing. If you want a ride, ride soon.
Getting Out of Town

Air

If you hadn't noticed, the airport is handy. But let a travel agent do your ticketing. That way you avoid airport counter lines and have the benefit of the agent's expertise in getting the best routing and price. There are travel agents all over town. The airlines pay them for writing your tickets, so it doesn't cost more to use a travel agent.

**Tampa International** is about 80 minutes by car; allow extra time at rush hour for tie-ups on I-275 or I-4. Greyhound has a daily morning bus from its Sarasota station to Tampa International (see Bus, below). Airport limousine (355-9645) and Airport Ambassador limousine (355-7157) run to/from Tampa International (advance reservation required).

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Trips Round and About

Florida beyond Sarasota is more than highways and 7-11s. Get to know it, and you'll be richer for your investment. A sampling, with driving directions and travel times, follows.

**Busch Gardens, Tampa** — Amusement park with an African theme (so hokey as to be beyond offense). Good rides. I-75 N to exit 54, Fowler Avenue. W to McKinley, S to entrance. One hour, 15 minutes. Nominal parking fee and expensive admission (one price covers all rides & shows).

**Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary, SE of Fort Myers** — The Audubon Society has saved a remnant of the cypress swamp that once covered much of southwest Florida. I-75 to Rt. 846, E to Route 849 to Sanctuary. About 2 1/2 hours. 1-657-3771; admission. Note: Closed when draught conditions prevail.

**De Soto National Memorial, Bradenton** — An intriguing lesson about De Soto's fatal encounter with the New World. U.S. 41 N to Cortez Ave., W to 75th St. W., N to the memorial. Thirty minutes.

**Gainesville (University of Florida)** — Beautiful in spring, when the azalea and dogwood are in bloom. Student hangouts, Gothic architecture - things you turned down for New College, along with classes of 400 students and packed parking lots ("Yellow Stickers Only"). I-75 N to Route 24, E to U.S. 441, N to campus on left. Three hours.

**Gamble Mansion, Ellenton** — How pioneer planters lived. I-75 N to U.S. 301 at Ellenton, W to mansion; or U.S. 301 all the way. 1-722-1017; admission. Thirty minutes.

**Highlands Hammock State Park, near Sebring** — Trails and boardwalks through forest and wetlands. Camping. I-75 N to Route 64, E to Zolfo Springs, continue E from Zolfo Springs on Route 66 to Route 635 to park. About 90 minutes.

**Myakka State Park, Rt. 72 E of Sarasota** — Largest state park. Prairie, wetlands, hammocks, pine flatwoods, lake, river. Fishing, canoe rentals, cabins, camping, alligators, birds. Skip the tour train/boat. Bee Ridge Rd. E to end, right to park. Thirty minutes.(924-1072 for cabin reservations.)
Oscar Scherer State Recreation Area, Osprey — Oaks overhang the banks of a tidal creek. Cheap canoe rental (gentle waters perfect for novices), fishing, picnic grounds, swimming pond. U.S. 41 S to park. About 35 minutes. 966-3154.

Salvador Dali Museum, St. Petersburg — Genius of 20th Century art or gifted clown? Decide for yourself at this comprehensive collection of Dali’s work. I-75 or U.S. 41 N to I-275; I-275 to I-175 to end. Follow the signs to museum, near USF’s Bayboro campus. About 50 minutes. 1-823-3767; admission.

Nearby is the Museum of Fine Arts, with a French Impressionist group and Georgia O’Keeffe’s “Poppy.” N on 3rd to 2nd Avenue, right to Beach Drive, then left. 1-896-2667; admission.

Sanibel & Captiva Islands, W of Fort Myers — Barrier islands with a beach known to shell collectors worldwide. The Ding Darling Wildlife Refuge is unsurpassed. Off season, prices are reasonable; in season they are high and the small islands are overcrowded. I-75 S to first Fort Myers exit, just across the Caloosahatchie River; W on Route 80 to Route 867, past the Thomas A. Edison winter home, wonderful Americana worth a visit (1-334-3613; admission). Toll bridge to islands, $3.00 round trip. About 3 hours.

Tampa — Major business center. Put your bike in the car when you go. Drive W on Kennedy Boulevard past the University of Tampa, turn S on South Boulevard to Bay Shore Boulevard, a fine biking and jogging route along Old Tampa Bay. Pedal through adjoining Hyde Park, a lovely city neighborhood. At Swann and Dakota is Hyde Park Village, an upscale plaza. Just N at 1902 W. Platt St. is the Nile, an Ethiopian restaurant. Scoop spicy curries up in sponge-like flat bread wedges and eat without utensils. Inexpensive. Further N, on Columbus, an E-W artery, are Cuban restaurants and bakeries. Skipper’s Smokehouse, Nebraska & Skipper, (1-971-0666) is a popular blues club. The Lowry Park Zoo, 7530 North Boulevard (1-935-8552; admissions) is attractive. Downtown Tampa glistens with new bank towers but the sidewalks are empty. The Tampa Museum, on the river, has quality temporary art exhibits (1-223-8130). The Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center, just N, has top theater, dance and
music shows (1-222-1010).

To reach Tampa, take I-75 N to the Crosstown Expressway, 75 cents and worth it. Exit onto Kennedy Boulevard. About one hour. Kennedy takes you westward through downtown, over the Hillsborough River, past the University of Tampa (on right). Bayshore Boulevard and Hyde Park are to the S. The minaret-topped former hotel, now U.T.'s Plant Hall, is worth a visit. The Henry B. Plant Museum on the first floor has artifacts (limited hours, phone 1-254-1241).

Before going to Tampa, check the Friday Tampa Tribune or St. Petersburg Times for theater and entertainment listings, and see Music, page 65. Also see Busch Gardens, page 74, Ybor City, below, and Records/Tapes/Disks, page 67.

Warm Mineral Springs, South Sarasota County — Wade in mineral waters from 35-40 feet deep caves (the center is 200 feet deep). Archaeological remains of significance have been found here. Picnic area, snack bar, lockers ($1 + $1 deposit), showers. U.S. 41 S, 12 miles past Venice; left on Ortiz Boulevard to the springs. 45 minutes. 1-426-1692; admission.

Ybor City, Tampa — Tampa's old Cuban-Italian neighborhood, where the U.S. cigar industry once was centered, is undergoing restoration. One factory has been converted to Ybor Square, a shopping and antiques center. There's a museum of Ybor City history at 1818 Ninth Avenue (1-247-6323). Have a Cuban sandwich at La Tropicana Cafe, 1822 Seventh Ave., where former neighborhood residents return from the suburbs to pay respects at the padrone's table. Take home Italian meats and groceries from Castellano & Pizzo, 1724 8th Avenue (1-248-2940). Dining at Columbia, founded 1905, 7th Avenue between 21st and 22nd Streets (1-248-4961), is a Tampa tradition. The Spanish food is overrated, but the decor and sense of style are great. Ybor City is centered on 7th Avenue/Broadway. I-75 N to Crosstown Expressway (toll). Exit at 22nd Street, N to 7th Avenue. About one hour.
10. Sudakoff Center
11. Classrooms
12. Hamilton Center
13. Pei Dorms
14. Art Studios, Physical Plant Offices
Pei Dorms, Hamilton Center and Classrooms [13, 12, 11]-- This striking complex was designed for later conversion to an income-earning conference center. Hamilton Center was a gift of Mrs. Carl Hamilton of Venice, Fla. Her grandson, Charles Hamilton ’67, was a member of New College’s charter class.

Art Studios, Physical Plant Offices [14] -- Fashioned from "temporary" World War II Army Air Corps barracks. Soon to be replaced with new buildings. Really! The check’s in the mail.

Hoppin Pool -- The 25-meter pool was given by Courtney H. and Marion Hoppin. Marion Hoppin, a clinical psychologist, taught at New College from 1966 to 1977. Innumerable students made the transition from adolescence to adulthood with Dr. Hoppin’s help.

Harry Sudakoff Lecture and Conference Center [10] -- The gift of Sarasota philanthropist Harry Sudakoff, the center has retractable interior walls, providing flexible space.

Library

[9] -- Our monumental, state-of-the-art library was designed to harmonize the modernism of the East Campus with the Mediterranean tradition so influential in Sarasota.
Gateway -- Entry to the West Campus, formerly the Charles Ringling estate (note the "R" in the arch). Charles Ringling was the treasurer of the Ringling Bros., Barnum & Bailey Circus. His estate, about 40 acres, had a cattle herd, citrus groves, one of the area's first swimming pools, and even a bowling alley.

The Gateway and the historic Ringling estate buildings form a portion of The Caples'-Ringlings' Estates Historic District.

Natural Sciences [7] -- These modest buildings house research-grade scientific instruments, including a scanning electron micro-scope. One is named for Paul Hanson, late administrative director of the Selby Foundation, the other for Marie Selby. A Selby Foundation pledge, matched by a pledge from Marie Selby, helped start the New College Fund
Drive in 1960.

**Letter Buildings [8]** -- Built in 1969 to house 160 students and two faculty families. Only "B" remains as a residence hall. "A," now undergoing renovation, will have a computer center.

**Social Sciences [4, 6]** -- Faculty have offices in the former estate barn and manager's home. Anthropology is in the Hal C. Ball lab (1986) adjoining the barn.

**Caples Campus**

**Caples Hall [17]** -- Ralph Caples, a friend and business associate of John Ringling, willed New College this 12-acre estate with manor and carriage house. The Sarasota Arts Council has an office in the 1930 manor, as does music prof. Ron Riddle.

**Carriage House** -- The carriage house, renovated with funds from the New College Foundation, is headquarters for the New College Environmental Studies Program.
College Hall [2] -- The former Charles Ringling home, completed in 1926, served from 1964-1986 as our library. Must see: the Music Room with its built-in pipe organ; the Pompeii Room, originally a billiard room; and the living room. In New College’s first year, students and faculty gathered in College Hall for candlelight dinners. The gentlemen wore jackets and ties, the ladies wore dresses.

Cook Hall [1] -- The 1930 Mediterranean villa was built by Charles Ringling for his daughter. It has been named for the late A. Werk Cook, a major New College benefactor and a trustee.

Robertson Hall [3] -- Offices of the New College Foundation are on the ground floor of the former estate carriage house; Admissions is upstairs. It is named for long-time trustee Louis Robertson.

Coming Soon -- In the next few years, the College will build an indoor recreation center, arts complex and new natural sciences facilities.
A group of engineers looks out over an area between the small cities of Bradenton and Sarasota. It is the site for the new airport. It is flat, sandy, subject to standing water during the rainy months and covered with a type of pine forest called pine flatwoods. Scattered among the flatwoods are pockets of palms and oaks called hammocks, and a confusing variety of boggy "wetlands." Most of this will have to go.

There are many days each year with clear, sunny skies. When economic hard times end, the Florida boom will resume. Progress demands it. The big problem with the new airport site will be keeping water off the roads and runways. While most rainstorms here don't last long, they can bring high winds, lightning, and copious, blinding rain. A major drainage system will have to be constructed, one that will not only carry water, but sand, silt, spilled aviation fuel, and anything else caught up in the temporary maelstroms that flow downhill to their logical destination in Sarasota Bay. Deep ditches will have to be dug, draining the run-off into a pipe to the bay.

Europe is rife with rumors of war. Perhaps some engineers guess that this airfield will soon be needed as a military base. New roads will be built. Three thousand Army Air Corps trainees will ultimately be stationed here, leading to much additional land clearing. To the south, barracks will be built among scattered pines, but hammocks will be allowed to remain in a less rigorously cleared area.

Across the famous Tamiami Trail, the bayfront had been claimed in the '20s for the estates of wealthy northerners who adopted Sarasota as home. Here the native grass and understory
of the flatwoods are cleared and replaced with lawn grass, but individual pine trees remain. Mansions stand among oaks and pines near the shore, taking in the spectacular view across the bay to mosquito-ridden and almost uninhabited Longboat Key.

**Here near the bay, tropical landscaping is popular, emphasizing the tropical nature of the area.** But while the heat of summer is stifling, occasional winter frosts hit. This bayfront area is low and subject to flooding by hurricane tides. Common wisdom is to build seawalls for protection in front of the houses: instead of a gently sloping, sandy shoreline, the tides rise and fall against a hard vertical wall.

**Beyond the wall, the bay is shallow, covered in seagrasses.** Daily tides expose and inundate shoals, with pulses of wading birds and fish ebbing and flowing with the water.

**Spring 1987**

**Fifty years have passed.** A delta of silt extends into the bay from a large pipe north of New College. Planes continue to use the airport and pieces of decorative Mediterranean architecture occasionally fall into the Bay. The western horizon viewed from the bayfront is broken by tall rectangular shapes, condos on Longboat Key, population 5,000 plus. Seagrass, wading birds, and fish still pulse with the tides, but in much fewer numbers. With each big storm, waves pound the seawalls, grabbing sand from behind, trying to re-establish a sloping shoreline. Afterward, trucks dump sand and rubble, replacing what was lost. North of the empty Crosley mansion, though, a natural shoreline dominated by mangroves persists.

**Pine pollen still dusts cars each spring, and small tufts of bromeliad seeds drift by office windows.** With each passing year, there are fewer relics of the old flatwoods -- mature trees are killed by lightning strikes and disease. On most of the campus, the dead pines are disassembled and removed, but a
few standing dead snags remain on the Caples Campus, where they host woodpeckers, crows, ospreys, and new, noisy, exotic residents: the conures. A state champion slash pine persists on the Caples bayfront. Seedling pines don’t stand much chance.

The relict wiregrass, gopher apple, grass-leaved golden aster and other native ground covers are rumbled, rumpled and truncated with a variety of lawn-care devices.

Small patches of shrubs with a natural feel remain, but they have been compromised by the invasion of exotic plants and sporadic bursts of general clearing and neatening up. Dense patches of shrubs are not conducive to good security.

On property leased from the airport, wetlands have been filled for construction of college buildings. New College uses some of the old, "temporary" army barracks for studios and offices.

Students are clashing with an airport engineer, attempting to pin down how much of an oak and cabbage palm hammock, shading our campus behind the art studios, will be destroyed by changing the airport entrance and parking. The students are righteously indignant, hoping to protect the relict shady bower of palms and oaks east of Hamilton Center. The engineer speaks of progress. He is talking about a parking lot.

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