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## College cuts to average 3.3 percent

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If the Legislature cuts 5 percent of the university budget at its special session today, colleges and departments will face an average cut of 3.3 percent, President Pete Likins announced at the Arizona Board of Regents meeting Friday.

The Optical Sciences Center is getting the smallest cut of all at 2.8

A number of colleges, such as the

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences are facing a 2.9 percent cut.

"We will try to be protective of colleges and departments within colleges," Likins said.

The departments of the president and vice-presidents are going to have to shoulder most of the burden of the budget cuts.

The president's office, which oversees athletics, the alumni office and the equal opportunity/affirmative action office, will be cut 10.1

Likins said he plans to cut athletics budgets by 10 percent.

The vice-president for advancement's office, which oversees offices that deal with community and government relations, will be cut 11.7 percent, the largest cut of all.

Joel Valdez, the vice-president of business affairs, who oversees university insurance, space management and student wages, will have to cut 10.1 percent from his budget.

The total of these cuts is only \$16.7 million, which is the 5 percent cut the legislature told the universities to plan for earlier this month.

However, documents from the Ioint Legislative Budget Committee show the size of the cut may increase to \$18 million.

The Arizona Legislature is meeting today to discuss where to make cuts in the state's budget.

Likins said he is not looking at an \$18 million cut because the legisla-

ture told him to prepare for a 5 percent cut.

Until the legislators make their final decision, he will only plan on cutting \$16.7 million, he said.

Arizona State University President Michael Crow warned that if ASU's budget is cut one more time, administrators will have to begin eliminating programs, something that has been avoided thus far

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#### Howling for victory



basketball team in its 107-68 rout of Western Kentucky Saturday. For complete game coverage, see page 9.

### Masturbation a library concern

*3 incidents in the past* month make students wary of fourth floor

BY NATE BUCHIK

Staff Writer

Apparently it's nothing new. Flashers, masturbators and other sexual perpetrators have been coming to the Main Library to test out pickup lines, pleasure themselves and expose their genitalia for years.

In the library during the last month alone, there have been three incidents of masturbation, one of indecent exposure and two cases of a man asking students to sketch their feet, one of which was coupled with masturbation.

Due to these recent incidents and common unwanted sexual advances — some students are becoming hesitant to study at, or even go to, the Main Library.

"It was on the fourth floor. This older guy, he must have been in his '40s, kept on walking up to all the girls and talking to us," said aerospace engineering freshman Ariel Marsh. "All the girls left and then I was the only one there, and he just kept staring at me. So I left

The number of cases of sexual offenses in 2002 is actually down compared to 2001. But many of the incidents that bother students go unreported, or are not considered crimes, said University of Arizona Police Department Cmdr. Brian

On Nov. 12, a female student reported that a man asked to sketch her feet for an art class. She

agreed, but looked up a couple minutes later and saw the man masturbating.

Two days later, there was

another report of a man asking students to sketch their feet. Both incidents occurred near midnight.

Since the two reports have a link, there will be further investigation by UAPD.

However, the second report does not register as a sexual offense, like other incidents that may have sexual overtones but are not considered sex crimes, including looking at Internet pornography or taking pictures of bystanders.

According to UAPD, there have only been seven sexual offenses from August 2001 to November 18, 2002.

"I don't want to say it's something people should be alarmed about. I think it's something people should be aware of," said

Another student said she knows a lot of guys who go to the library just to pick up girls, but was still "creeped out" when a man solicited her over the summer.

"He came up to me and made some comment about my dress, or whatever I was wearing, and then he was like, 'Could I get your email address?' I said no, but he kept coming back and talking to me," said Noelle Stillman, a business junior. "He spoke really roughly. He was probably 35. I thought he was drunk, but he just said he was from France.

While Stillman didn't report

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#### Beef, milk could fight cancer

Researchers think cows' anticarcinogenic fatty acids may prevent disease

BY RACHEL WILLIAMSON

Milk and beef might be able to help in the prevention of breast, stomach and skin cancers with the help of animal science research being

done at the UA. Although the fat in milk and beef is often viewed as unhealthy, it actually contains cancer-preventing components. The most potent anticarcinogen, which is actually contained in trace amounts in milk and beef, is a group of fatty acids called conjugated linoleic acids or "CLA."

Because of its cancer-preventing power, CLA has been heavily researched since the mid-1990s, said Lance Baumgard, assistant professor of animal science. CLA prevents the uncontrolled cell growth that causes

Although red meat has been thought to be a cause of cancer, that idea is just an urban legend fueled by the claims of nutritionists and scientists, Baumgard said.

"We've been told that (red meat causes cancer) for years," Baumgard said. "The hypothesis is there, but it cannot be proven."

With the help of animal science graduate students Hank Hafliger and Octavio Mendivil, Baumgard is altering the diet of cows in order for them to produce high concentrations of the group of fatty acids, CLA.

"Ten years ago, no one would ever say that fat is good for you, Baumgard said.



JILL MARICICH/Arizona Daily Wildcat Two Brown Swiss cows at the UA Campbell dairy farm peek their heads through the fence of the enclosed area where experimental cows are kept.

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