Napolitano says she may support a tuition hike

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Napolitano, who as governor of them."

et that doesn't eliminate any

this program at this university

sented to me were eliminating

Daily Sun. "The options pre-

ing," Davis said.

deeper cuts are so harmful to

has been cut so deeply, that

standing that the university

on campus.

plans to cut 16 departments

Davis announced possible

ter by Gov. Janet Napolitano yes-

budget proposal announced

will be safe from further

All three state universities

will be to the top of the bottom

was to move Arizona univer-

able to provide.

funding.

revenue to build on the state

would allow the universities to

the governor's budget pro-

trators are optimistic about

$1,000 will basically do and

third of the states, which this

education its universities are

directly affects the type of

try, and Napolitano said that

of government relations.

Fahey, associate vice president

new cuts," said Gregory

tomorrow. We want to work

want to toss around details

otherwise could not afford it.

set aside for students who oth-

cent of the increase would be

We're not in favor of across-

but an

not been unveiled for consid-

rise will be protected."

increase of $1,000 for the

2003-2004 school year has

been discussed.

The proposed budgets

would allow the universities to

keep the additional tuition

revenue to build on the state

funds."

The governor's proposed budgets

for the upcoming semesters is dependent on

efforts to increase class sizes and web-based

courses. The department recently

allow them to continue to offer smaller

classes necessary for their degree.

"You look on the Internet, and there is

one upper-level class. It's ridiculous," said fine arts junior Sjelly Reiser.

The fine arts faculty, which is faced

with a 50-1 student-to-faculty member

ratio, is struggling to meet this semes-

ter's demand.

"More and more effort is being

focused towards majors," Sevigny said,

"We will have less ability to be available

to nonmajors outside of gen-ed classes."

Iranian and former UA instructor Jamal Tabatabai has recently been told that he no longer is a citizen of the U.S. Although he has lived here in the U.S. since age 12, INS officials recently revoked Tabatabai's citizenship because of his divorce.

Six-day detention puts teacher's life on hold until deportation hearing

On Dec. 13, students in Jamal Tabatabai's Persian class arrived on time to take their final, but their instructor never brought it — he never even came.

Earlier that morning, Tabatabai, a former UA

instructor, went to the Immigration and Naturalization Services office to register as a part of a new national security program established after Sept. 11.

Tabatabai, who has lived in the United States for 18 years, said he pleaded with INS officials to let him return to work but instead was led to a detention cen-

ter where he was questioned. It wasn’t until then that

he was informed his status was changed to that of a

visitor because of his divorce from an American.

He was then taken to a 30-by-30 foot room with

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Departments deal with crowding

By Bob Purvis

WITH AN ENROLLMENT INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000 students this semester, depart-

ments are struggling to accommodate students amid course cuts.

Many departments have been forced to increase class sizes and web-based
courses to deal with this semester’s influx. Yet some students are still left

without full schedules.

"I know a lot of people who are stuck with five units," said undecided

freshman Amy Zetah.

Even students nearing graduation are finding themselves without many of the

classes necessary for their degree.

"You look on the Internet, and there is

one upper-level class. It's ridiculous," said fine arts junior Sjelly Reiser.

Major budget cuts have forced some departments to cut sections and increase

enrollment in courses, leading many

professors to take on more classes on a volunteer basis, said Maurice J. Sevigny, dean of the College of Fine Arts.

"A lot of things have been eliminat-

ed," said Paul R. Johnson, undergradu-

ate advisor in the department of journal-

ism, adding that increasing class sizes in

upcoming semesters is dependent on

future budget cuts.

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