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State may cut aid to double majors

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Walking through the Integrated Learning Center, Xuemei Cai points out the locale of one of her many marathon study sessions.

The sophomore recalls the day she pulled an all-nighter in one of the small rooms next to the Information Commons. In a nearby study room, she notices how a set of complex physics equations on a whiteboard resemble some of her own course work.

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For Cai, who's on track to graduate with degrees in biochemistry, molecular and cellular biology and East Asian studies, studying all night is part of the routine.

When she's a senior, she'll be one of about 600 students who have accumulated more than 140 units during their college careers. As with all students whose plans include earning both Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees, she'll graduate with at least 150 units.

Now, though, Republican legislators want to cut \$2.6 million from the UA budget because they say students shouldn't need more than 140 undergraduate units.

That proposal, part of a plan to ax \$16 million from the UA's budget this year, has drawn criticism from some double degree students, who say the opportunity to earn degrees in divergent fields is central to the mission of a university.

"Don't you want a diverse and well-educated population?" asked Lauren Giesecke, a sophomore majoring in Spanish and molecular and cellular biology.

Giesecke wants to work as a doctor in a

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HANGIN' TOUGH WITH JANET



CHRIS CODUTO/Arizona Daily Wildcat
Governor Janet Napolitano discusses a play with team manager Courtney Peters, as coordinator of operations Craig Haubrich, left, looks on. Napolitano made a guest appearance at Saturday's women's basketball game as an honorary assistant coach.

Napolitano hits the court

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With about three minutes left on the clock in the women's basketball game against Washington State Saturday, coach Joan Bonvicini called in a little help from the sidelines.

But she didn't just call upon anyone. She turned to honorary assistant

coach Gov. Janet Napolitano, who responded to the call, joined the huddle and sketched "LA" on her clipboard, making a call that enabled a hilo shot and a score.

"The entire game turned on my play," Napolitano said in jest during a post-game press conference.

Bonvicini said she told Napolitano earlier that they couldn't use that play until the team was up by 30, but she didn't mind when the Governor made

her call.

"She's my boss. If she asks to call a play, she calls a play," said Bonvicini. "We're honored that she accepted the invitation. She looked good with that red jacket on. I thought that it was great that she's a Wildcat."

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HOW TO AVOID

INSOMNIA

Budget your time so you can get eight hours of sleep per night.

Do not read or do homework in bed.

Don't pull all-nighters.

Plan ahead.

Make sure your room is light in the morning and dark in the evening.

Find activities that help you wind down.

Still no sleep? See a doctor or visit the UA Insomnia Clinic.

Students haunted by sleeplessness

By Tessa Hill
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At 3 a.m., when most students are sound asleep, Joe Corcoran readies for another night that will leave him with two hours of sleep, if he's lucky.

A victim of insomnia since high school, Corcoran, a biochemistry sophomore, said he has watched the sun rise too many times.

"The reason I don't sleep is because I can't stop thinking," said Corcoran.

Corcoran is one of the estimated 30 percent of UA students who experience moderate to severe insomnia,

according to Dr. Richard Bootzin, a psychology professor and director of the UA Insomnia Clinic.

"College students lead an irregular schedule that causes sleep deprivation," Bootzin said. He added that late night activities and early classes are a bad combination that often results in insufficient sleep for many students.

"If a student doesn't go to bed until 2 or 3 a.m., then they are pushing themselves into a schedule without sleep, which can be potentially dangerous."

Only 38 percent of Americans

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Lithium stolen Thursday from Gould-Simpson

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A two-pound rod of lithium was stolen from the Gould-Simpson building, UA officials announced Friday — the same day the country was put on a high state of alert for a terrorist attack.

The rod, which cannot be used as a terrorist weapon, was stolen Thursday from a shipment of 10 boxes destined for the Laboratory of Isotope Geochemistry.

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