

## Students audition for new TV show

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Instead of hooking up behind closed doors, about 200 UA students auditioned yesterday for a chance to put their dating and sex life in the national spotlight.

"Big Man on Campus," a Warner Bros. reality TV show created by the people behind ABC's "Bachelor," held casting calls at the Tucson Marriott University Park hotel to find the "best and brightest guy" and the 25 girls who will compete for his attention.

Producers were looking for big personalities, said Luke Conklin, the casting producer.

Cody Brown, a history sophomore, said when he went in for the interview, it was very clear that the producers were looking for "loud" people.

Brown, who got a second one-on-one interview, said he made it past the first cut by speaking whatever was on his mind.

"I told them I like butt sex," he said.

Brown's personality, which won him a second on-camera interview, was exactly what Conklin said has made the UA one of the top site picks for the show.

"Today was great," Conklin said. "There were some great personalities. There were some great-looking people."

The UA is one of three universities being considered for the show. The guys who waited in line yesterday said they were confident the UA would be picked because of the girls.

"This is the best school to choose 25

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## UA GETS REALITY CHECK



Electrical engineering sophomore Amanda Tyree auditions in front of a camera for the "Big Man On Campus" show yesterday afternoon at the Tucson Marriott University Park hotel. Tyree was one of the 200-plus UA students who auditioned for a spot on the new reality TV show. The producers of "Big Man" have selected the UA and two other universities as finalists for production.

## College considers biz fee changes

### Eller may stop paying \$250 fee for students on merit-based waivers

By Jeff Sklar  
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TEMPE — The business college may force undergraduates with merit-based tuition waivers to pay a \$250-per-semester fee this fall that was waived for all scholarship recipients this year.

That move is being considered because it would free up more money to give financial aid to students on need-based scholarships, said Pam Perry, associate dean of the Eller College of Management.

But it has drawn the ire of the Associated Students of the University of Arizona Senate, which voted Wednesday to ask the college to continue protecting students on both merit- and need-based scholarships from paying the fee.

They referred to a promise made by former Dean Mark Zupan, who said that when the fee was enacted last year, students on both types of scholarships would be protected. Student lobbyists backed the fee, after initially opposing it, in large part because they thought merit scholars should be protected.

Perry said yesterday, however, that the Eller College Student Council, a different organization from the student lobbying group, preferred need-based scholarship

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## Regents to ask for increase in state-based aid

By Jeff Sklar  
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TEMPE — Regents yesterday voted to push forward with plans asking lawmakers to increase state-based financial aid and reward universities for improving graduation rates.

Arizona Board of Regents and university presidents agreed that these and a variety of other new strategies for funding universities would emphasize the divergent missions of the UA, Arizona State University and Northern Arizona University while protecting poor students from the rising cost of education.

The regents voted unanimously to endorse the new mechanisms, which they hope will be approved and implemented by the Legislature and Gov. Janet

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## VP wins 'Phenomenal Woman' award

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Growing up as a black woman in the South, Saundra Taylor learned how divisive racial segregation could be.

She almost didn't marry her white husband because of the racial tension around them.

"My husband and I really worked hard at not getting married ... because we didn't know whether we could survive a racist kind of cult society," said Taylor, senior vice president of Campus Life.

But they ended up marrying in 1968, the same year Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated, realizing no amount of racial discrimination could keep them apart.

Drawing from her experiences and struggles, Taylor has tried to foster a more diverse campus at the UA, an effort that recently

earned her the UA Black Alumni Association's Phenomenal Woman of the Year award.

Taylor said her awareness of discrimination spurred her desire to make changes wherever she works.

"I couldn't ignore it, and I needed to find ways to combat it, to challenge it," she said.

Her activism has had her supporting campus multicultural centers that provide services for underrepresented students at the UA. She is especially proud of her role in creating the Asian Pacific American Cultural/Resource Center.

"I think students of Asian Pacific descent really have issues in this culture with discrimination, with exclusion," she said. "One aspect they have to sometimes deal with is being viewed as the model minority."

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Vice president of Campus Life Saundra Taylor recently earned the UA Black Alumni Association's Phenomenal Woman of the Year award. Taylor has worked to foster a more diverse campus at the UA, drawing inspiration from her own life struggles.

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