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# Phx. med school to open in 2006

By Natasha Bhuyan ARIZONA DAILY WILDCAT

The latest details of a proposed medical school in Phoenix were presented at the Arizona Board of Regents meeting Friday, where university officials projected the first Phoenix medical school class of 24 students would begin July 2006.

The admissions process for the new medical school in Phoenix is expected to begin in September, UA College of Medicine administrators said Friday.

At the meeting, it was still unknown how the project will be funded or an estimated cost, but Regents President Gary Stuart said officials are looking into both public and private sectors.

UA President Peter Likins said in expanding the UA's College of Medicine to a Phoenix campus, there is "a certain act of faith," and grand accomplishments will not be made if university officials are restricted by budget concerns during the planning stages.

Although many other logistical questions remained unanswered Friday, working groups were created to address important issues, including academic affairs, facilities and programming, research and business.

"These working groups should be the driving force to implement transparency," said Dr. Keith Joiner, dean of the UA College of Medicine.

Gov. Janet Napolitano also established the Arizona Commission on Medical Education and Research in October, with representatives from various institutes involved in the expansion, who will work through details regarding specific areas of planning, design and development and have recommendations ready by March.

Although there is not yet a student representative on ACMER, Stuart said students do sit on the working groups and play a considerable role, and their

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#### **EL TOUR DE TUCSON**



Optical sciences freshman Steven Hubbard, right, finished seventh in the 13-to-19 age group with a time of 3:41:12 in the 66-mile stage of the El Tour de Tucson yesterday. He and 7,000 other cyclists participated in the annual bicycling event Saturday morning.

# Incidence of sex assaults worries UA community

By Holly Wells ARIZONA DAILY WILDOM

Police are investigating a possible connection between two attempted sexual assaults in the past week at a primarily student-occupied apartment complex. The latest occurred a few days after a student was sexually abused at her home near campus.

The latest incident happened at University House, 2525 E. Anklam Road, at about 7:40 p.m. Thursday. A 20-year-old woman was confronted by a man who entered her bedroom through an unlocked window, said Sgt. Marco Borboa, Tucson Police Department spokesman.

The man took off a window screen to get into the bedroom, and the victim resisted the sexual assault.

"There was a physical confrontation after which the suspect left the same way he had entered going through the window," Borboa said.

The victim had some minor injuries, but did not need medical attention, Borboa said.

A similar attempted sexual assault occurred in the same apartment complex Nov. 10 around 9:40 p.m. An armed man confronted a 21-year-old woman after entering through an unlocked door, Borboa said. The man fled when the victim's roommate came into the room.

The third incident involved an 18-year-old student and occurred on Nov. 16 around 2:50 p.m. The student was confronted as she was walking through a breezeway near her complex at North Tyndall Avenue and East Adams Street. According to police, the man inappropriately touched the victim in a manner police are referring to as sexual abuse. Police did not classify the incident as an attempted sexual assault, which would imply an attempted rape.

However, a friend of the victim said the man was trying to rape the student and said the student escaped when the man reached to take off his belt.

Borboa said police are investigating whether the two incidents at University House are connected, but said the third incident may also be linked. Police are comparing the descriptions of the subject in each case.

"We can't conclusively say they're connected, but we're comparing information to identify the suspect or suspects," he said.

Several female students on campus are more fearful after

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### Aid increases in 2006

By Lisa Rich Arizona Daily Wildoxt

Available financial aid dollars for Arizona universities will increase by 13.9 percent or \$22.6 million for the 2006 fiscal year. The increase, approved at the Arizona Board of Regents meeting Friday, will allocate \$68.2 million to the UA.

According to the financial aid executive summary, the UA had \$62.6 million to distribute last fiscal year in financial aid. The additional \$5.6 million for 2006 will provide aid to more students and a larger sum to those already receiving aid, said UA President

Peter Likins.

The larger amount of aid money is a result of factors such as increases in tuition revenue and an increase in the value of scholarships resulting from increased tuition, Likins said.

In accordance with board policy, Likins said the total amount of aid will be divided between students receiving assistance based on merit and those based on need.

John Nametz, director of student financial aid, said students receiving merit-based financial aid are evaluated by scholastic or athletic talent. He said students

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## Founder of UA gay frat wants it to be revived

By Jennifer Amsler ARIZONA DAILY WILDOM

The founder of the first gay fratemity at the UA encouraged gay students Friday to bring it back to help unify the gay student

Dominick DeCarlo said creating a Delta Lambda Phi chapter was the most controversial thing to happen at the UA during the early '90s.

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Dominick DeCarlo. right, a UA alumnus, and singer Pepper Mache speak about gay rights issues at the Student Union Memorial Center Friday aftermoon. DeCarlo was the first UA student to start a gay fraternity. MATT ROBLES/

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