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## Study: UA men cheat more in class

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Male students at the UA cheat more than twice as often as female students, according to statistics compiled by the Dean of Students Office.

Of the more than 300 cases involving academic dishonesty at the UA, nearly 70 percent involved males and 30 percent involved females.

UA officials said they aren't sure why men cheat more often than women.

"I can't say whether male students are cheating more than female students," said Alexis Hernandez, associate dean of students. "These numbers showing that

males are more likely to cheat have been fairly consistent over the years and in the same ballpark as they are now."

Mike Burk, a media arts junior, said he sees more males cheating than females in general education classes.

But Adam Turner, a physics sophomore, said he was surprised to find out males cheated more than their female counterparts.

"I wouldn't think males would want to cheat more (than females)," he said. "This is a big surprise to me."

Ashley Gerze, a pre-business sophomore, said she hasn't noticed many females cheating in the classes she's been in, and figured the numbers would be equal for both sexes.

"I'm sure it's equal between males and females, but I hear more about it from males who have or are talking about doing it," she said.

According to the UA Code of Academic Integrity Summary Report, from July 1, 2002, to June 30, 2003, cases of academic dishonesty totaled 311, with 225 infractions from plagiarism and 29 infractions from copying on a test.

National figures compiled by Donald McCabe, a Rutgers University professor of organization management and founder of the Center for Academic Integrity, show that more than 84 percent of surveyed students nationwide reported some cheating

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## Nader to speak on campus today

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Independent presidential candidate Ralph Nader will visit the UA today.

Nader, who ran in the last presidential election as a member of the Green Party, will be speaking today at 4 p.m. at the College of Law building.

Nader will give a lecture on international law and ballot access.

The UA Young Greens and Alliance for Peace and Justice in the Middle East worked quickly to put the event together after being contacted by Nader's campaign manager late Friday afternoon.

John Feier, accounting senior and member of the Young Greens, was contacted because he signed up to help the Nader campaign. The Young Greens is not a club recognized by the Associated Students of the University of Arizona, although it has been in previous years.

"I was contacted by e-mail and was told he would be coming by, and all he would need is a place. So (I) turned around and did the best I could," Feier said.

The Nader campaign has taken advantage of the Internet to correspond with supporters solely over e-mail, Feier said.

"The Internet has created a different way of campaigning," Feier said.

APJME volunteered to help organize the event.

"They were in a pinch, essentially, so we worked with them to find a venue. It was unexpected," said Nesreen Khashan, a Near Eastern studies graduate student and APJME co-president.

Although APJME doesn't endorse presidential candidates, Khashan felt her club couldn't turn down the opportunity to help set up the event.

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## AN ENVIRONMENTALLY HEALTHY HABITAT



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Nicole Sanderson, interdisciplinary studies freshman and ECLIPSE member, pots seeds next to the Education building Sunday. ECLIPSE is asking the UA for a spot to build student housing that would apply sustainable living methods, such as energy conservation.

## Club aims to build a biodorm at UA

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A dorm built with soil and powered by solar energy: That's what students of a new campus club see in UA's future.

ECLIPSE is a new student club whose members want to convince UA officials to let them design, construct and manage a community where students can pursue sustainable living on campus.

"(The university) needs to present a new way of living and thinking about the environment," said Carmiel Banasky, a creative writing senior and club

president. "We are heading towards an environmental crisis, and people don't realize this."

Students in ECLIPSE hope to build a student community on UA property that would not only help teach sustainable lifestyle alternatives, such as water and energy conservation, but would also be a home for 15 students who would live cooperatively, sharing maintenance duties.

Students would help design and construct the houses and gardens with donated materi-

als, such as straw bale and rammed earth.

After spending a year studying in London, Banasky returned to the UA with the idea for a new club: She wanted to create a student community that would experiment with a more "environmentally friendly" lifestyle.

The idea is not original, and Banasky bases much of the project on similar projects. The Homestead, a sustainable, communal living experience at Denison University in Ohio, the Civano Solar Village in Tucson,

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and projects in Boulder, Colo., inspired Banasky to challenge the UA community with the idea.

"If a school in Ohio could do this, a school in Arizona should be able to," Banasky said. "We have the right climate and conditions."

It didn't take long for the club to find a faculty adviser. Guy McPherson, a professor in the School of Natural Resources and department of ecology and evolutionary biology, decided to help the club out.

"It is very difficult to find attempts to live sustainably in

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## Students protest animal testing at UMC labs

By Natasha Bhuyan  
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Fifteen animal rights activists who gathered in front of University Medical Center yesterday weren't monkeying around.

Members of the Animal Defense League of Arizona, Supporting and Promoting Ethics for the Animal Kingdom, and Students for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, protested in front of the hospital, calling for the release of Pepe, a monkey who has undergone years of experimentation at UMC.

Gary Vella, coordinator of the Tucson ADLA chapter, said electrodes were implanted into

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**Running his own way**

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Astronaut and UA alum comes back to campus

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