

# The Colleges Of UCSC —There's A Difference

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All universities are made up by colleges, but few have a setup quite like UCSC's. Most

colleges in universities are scattered haphazardly across campus or lumped together in several buildings. UCSC has six distinct colleges

operating autonomously in six separate locations. Each college has its own provost, own form of student government and unique characteristics.

At the same time the colleges are interdisciplinary. Which means a student majoring in science at Crown College, a college directed towards science, can take a course in music, theater, dance, art or whatever.

While the colleges have separate areas of bias, most share some common ground. Academic and administrative structure is loose at several colleges to allow flexibility so the college will be in step with the times.

Field work is encouraged in at least two colleges. No college wants to restrict itself to any discipline and most would like to see community involvement.

Briefly, this is how provosts view their college:

**Kresge** — The newest college opens this week with an enrollment of 300 and an educational concept as uncommon as any instituted.

Provost Robert S. Edgar, a nationally acclaimed biology professor for his work in genetics, wants Kresge's students and faculty to take an odyssey, an educational trip much like the epic journeys of Moses and Ulysses.

The trip would cover intellectual ground rather than actual terrain. The administration would grow as needed.

"While we expect the college to provide collaborators, guides, and structure, we recognize the most significant guides are often the least expected, and the primary navigational responsibilities rest with each of us," Edgar wrote in the 1971 General Catalogue.

"Because we hope that each traveler will change Kresge as

he or she goes through it, we plan to build the college largely as we go.

"The college will be divided into groups of about 15 including one faculty member. These groups will consist of students who live together or near each other in the college, along with off-campus students.

"This group will be the basic educational and administrative unit of the college..."

The thrust of the college will be "Man and His Environment" which will probably earn Kresge the title of ecology school.

A grant of \$650,000 from the Kresge Foundation has gone toward the college's construction costs. Presently, there are 17 faculty.

**College V** — With 840 students and 54 faculty this is the biggest college on campus. It "is a community concerned with man in the 20th century as seen by art and through art," wrote provost James P. Hall in the 1971 General Catalogue.

Hall is concerned with "the analysis and contemplation of art" and "the actual making of art."

Although the college's theme is aesthetic studies, Hall wrote that it is not the college's intention "to prepare all students for professional careers."

"One-half of the student body is expected to major in the natural and social sciences; the other half is expected to major in the humanities and fine arts," Hall wrote.

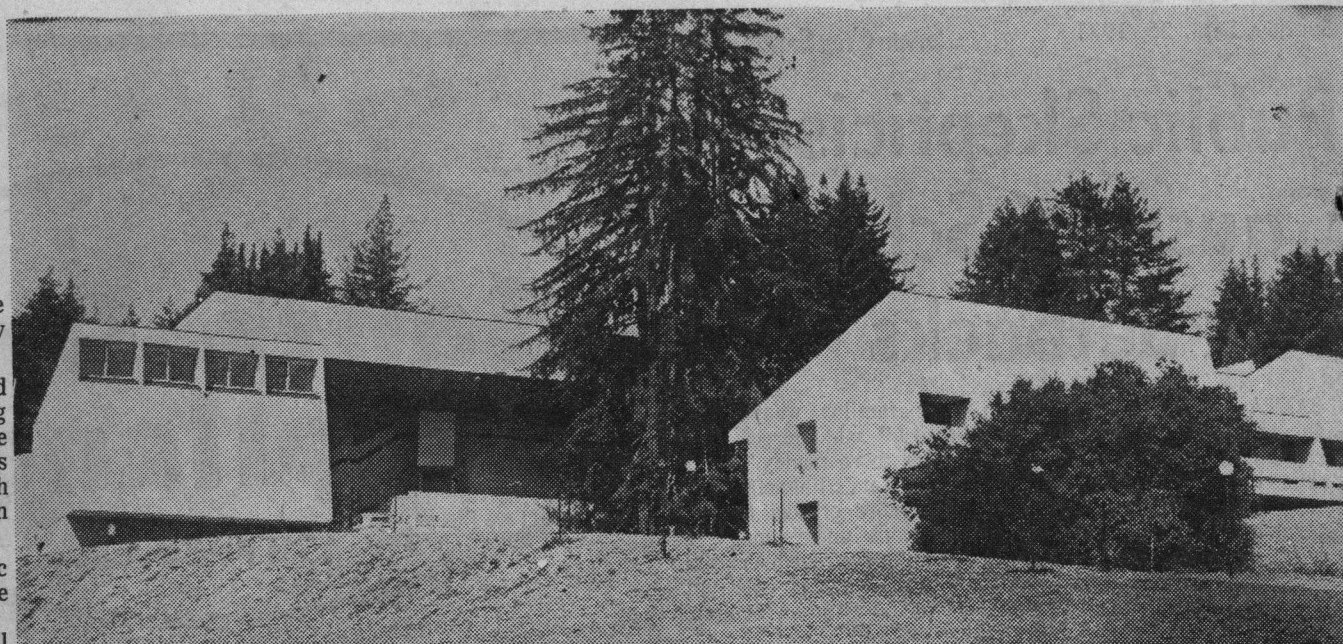
"In general it is accurate to say College V students are unusually gentle, independent and responsive to community obligations.

"At the moment College V has no formal student government; however, our informal system of self-regulation obtains. We live; we let live. A general spirit of

environment.

"We may have a biologist interested in pollution effects on marine life. Or we may have an economist interested in the effects pollution has on the economy," Edgar said.

Edgar himself is a biologist.



The \$2.55-million UCSC Performing Arts Center will have classes in drama, visual

arts and music. A 500-seat theater is not yet finished, but a show is scheduled there in

January. A music lecture hall seating 250, art studios and prop and scenery workshops

as well as faculty offices are included in the center near College V.

humanistic brotherhood prevails," he wrote.

**Merrill** — The Third World school "is primarily concerned with the non-western societies, and to a lesser extent, the study of U.S. minorities," according to provost Philip W. Bell.

Over half the students take advantage of the Merrill Field Program which "offers the opportunity of working in communities outside the academic environment."

"For some students this may mean a year or more teaching in an elementary school of a developing country in Asia; for others it may mean working in community development projects in Santa Cruz County or the surrounding area," Bell wrote in the 1971 General Catalogue.

Merrill like the other colleges is administratively loose. "There are no required courses, and no one is forced to involve himself in activities that seem uncongenial," wrote Bell.

Merrill has "attractions and programs relating to the humanities, natural sciences and social sciences," wrote Bell.

**Crown** — "Oriented toward

science and its effects on human life," is how provost Kenneth Thimann describes the college in the 1971 General Catalogue.

But, Crown, like the other colleges, is interdisciplinary. So for the student majoring in humanities "it is hoped that the college will add an unexpected dimension to his world view and supplement his sensitivity with a feeling for the controlled imagination of the scientist and inventor," wrote Thimann.

"Our aim is to provide a general education, ensuring a scholarly awareness of science and technology and its influence on our lives," wrote Thimann.

Thimann calls the academic program "somewhat unstructured" providing for a wide choice of courses for undergraduates.

Enrollment this fall is expected to be 620 with 24 faculty. **COWELL** — "It's predominant emphasis is upon Western Culture," according to provost Jasper Rose.

The first two years are primarily concerned with a world civilization course, exploring history, literature, philosophy and the arts.

Two new majors have been introduced in the junior year.

"Studies in Western Civilization" which is an extension of the core course and "Arts and Crafts" which deals with the history of art, drawing, painting, print-making and at least one craft.

Cowell has 53 faculty and will enroll about 750 students.

**Stevenson** — A new major, "Modern Society and Social Thought," introduced this fall helps stamp this college as the enroll about 750 students.

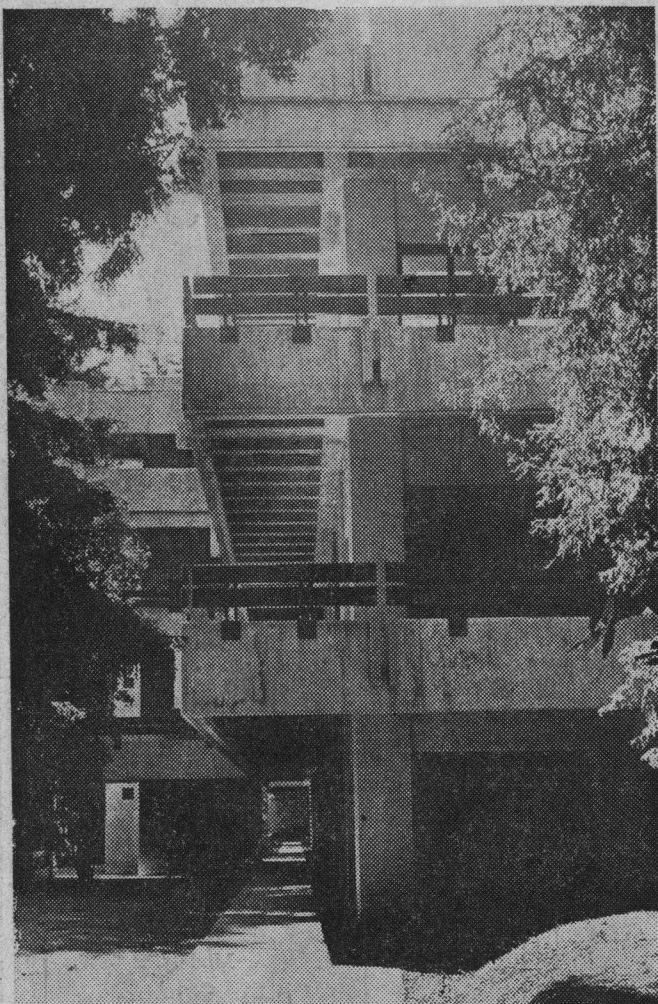
"Stevenson's major ambition

has always been to be a first-class college of arts and sciences," wrote provost F. M. Glenn Willson in the 1971 General Catalogue.

Only one course is required and that must be taken fall term, freshman year. It's called "Self and Society: an Introduction to Modern Social Thought."

This college also encourages field work either in America or abroad.

Stevenson has 56 faculty and expects a fall enrollment of 800.



The new three-story Applied Sciences at UCSC building houses earth sciences, community studies, psychology, biology, teacher education, information and computer science, UC extension, personnel, business, Educational Opportunity Program and place-

ment offices and classrooms. A fire in the administration building last spring displaced many offices which are temporarily being housed in Applied Science. The functionally designed structure cost \$4,424,500.

## Kresge College--More Than Just 'New'

The biggest difference between Kresge College and the five others at UCSC is that Kresge is "new," said its provost Robert Edgar.

But that immodest appraisal — "new" — is misleading. For one, the college has no struc-

Kresge opened last week, a week ahead of the other colleges, to orient students and faculty, and things are going well, according to Edgar.

He's particularly pleased with the Kin Groups, but knows they can flop at any time. These are

not required and its called, "Man and his Environment." This too tries to give the students a common experience. The survey course covers three semesters offering a smattering of the social sciences, natural sciences and humanities in that

environment.

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Edgar himself is a biologist.

amount of things — architecture, faculty recruiting, curriculum development, furniture, etc.

"But I'm learning a lot and it's very challenging," he said.

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tures it can call its own yet. So offices, classes and residence halls for 300 students and their faculty and administrators occupy some 60 apartments usually reserved for married students.

Workmen were completing a canvas-top dome in the center of the makeshift campus Friday. It will be the only campus facility able to hold more than 30 people at a time with some measure of comfort.

groups of 25 students and one faculty member who can become as close as sensitivity training techniques permit, or as distant as the biology student who spends 10 hours a day in the lab is from the athlete who works out in the gym from dawn 'til dusk.

The Kin Groups serve to give the students a sense of belonging; they try to make the college more personal.

The college's only course is

order.

Students enter into a contract or study plan with their adviser before taking the course saying they will help it develop by engaging in some work project.

The entire college faculty will be pooled to teach the course. Edgar calls it, "a smorgasbord around the university."

Although the faculty represents diverse disciplines, all were chosen because of their concern over man and his en-

whose work in the field of genetics has been honored by the National Academy of Sciences, the most prestigious organization of its kind in America.

He is reportedly being considered for the Nobel Prize for assembling a virus artificially in a test tube and recording how it operates.

He considers his roll as provost to be "supportive, helping the students and faculty to the best they can do. I believe it's a mistake to lay a plan on people."

He yearns for the laboratory and hopes to devote half his time to it.

"I had no idea it (being a provost) would be so difficult. I have to deal with an enormous



Provost Robert Edgar



It's not a ski lodge; it's the new Bay Tree Book Store at UCSC. It cost \$174,880 to build

and is made almost entirely of wood. Manager Earl Gross thinks the construction aesthetic, but impractical.

Architect Dick Clark thinks the construction aesthetic and practical.



Clerk Ileen Duclatt checks out the stationery section of the new UCSC Bay Tree Book Store. Aside from books, the

store will carry sporting equipment, nylon jackets, tee-shirts, radios, tape records,

candy, gifts, records and cards. It's hoped the student will find most of his needs at the store.

## Bay Tree Book Store Opens This Fall At UCSC

UCSC's book store next to the library was not supposed to operate at a profit and it didn't. But it was supposed to break even and it didn't do that either, because money can't be made on the sale of texts alone according to Earl Gross, manager of the new May Tree Book Store.

New books were marked up the standard 20 per cent at the old book store, but because many times books have to be returned to publishers the cost differential is not great enough to make money, explained Gross.

The Bay Tree store, which opens with the fall term and looks like a Swiss Chalet, has the space for and will sell items that show a greater profit — clothing, gifts, sporting equipment, stationery and gifts.

The store cost \$174,880 and it cost \$5,000 to \$8000 to move material from the old store to the new one.

"Architecturally it's beautiful. But from a merchandising stand point it isn't," said Gross.

"You wouldn't have incandescent lights, pecan hardwood floors, an exposed sprinkler system and a center well," said Gross if you were looking at the store from a merchandiser's angle.

"We've boutique or high fashion decor. It would seem to me this is a temporary building

because of its layout and size," he said.

But Dick Clark, an architect working on the store, disagreed. He said the building was designed to be a book store. He said the incandescent lights are more attractive

"The woodiness was deliberately built-in so it would fit in with surroundings. Students and faculty will find it appropriate," he said.

Ernie Pflock, textbook manager, said that students with hiking boots could splinter the wooden floor and students without shoes would pick up the splinters.

"Pecan hardwood is a good floor," said Clark.

Pflock said that a special feature of the store is not to mark up books whose new editions gave higher prices. He also said the store buys back texts at half price, whether they were bought new or used.

Used books are sold for 75 per cent of the original price.

Gross said a typical discount might be a \$4.98 list-priced record album selling for \$3.98. Which is not much of a discount since most record stores offer similar or better discounts.

If the Bay Tree store does show a profit, that money will have to pay for the moving expenses and construction costs. Beyond that, "If we had an excessive profit, we'd reduce our prices," said Gross.