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47 STUDENTS IN UM BLACK STUDIES PROGRAM SAY THEY PLAN TO WITHDRAW FROM UNIVERSITY

MISSOULA --

The 47 students in the Black Studies Program at the University of Montana have announced that they plan to withdraw from the University Nov. 28. The two black studies faculty members also plan to quit.

Black Studies Program Director Richard Smith says they have simply run out of money.

The program had asked for a budget of \$51-thousand dollars from the University for the 1973-74 school year. Smith says they received 36-thousand, and an additional three-thousand in September. He said they have negotiated twice with the University to get more money, but have failed.

Right now, black studies administrators are trying to find schools for the students to transfer to. Smith said they hope by their action to draw attention to black studies programs across the nation.