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UM'S ZYLAWY TO DIRECT 1981-82 FRENCH CULTURE PROGRAM AT EVERGREEN STATE

MISSOULA--

Roman Zylawy, head of the French section of the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures at the University of Montana, will be a visiting professor at Evergreen State College, Olympia, Wash., in 1981-82.

He will direct the school's French Culture Program, which will culminate in his taking a group of students to Lyons, France, to do field work in ethnography spring quarter.

He said he is looking forward to the special challenges presented by Evergreen State, which was founded in the 1960s as an experimental liberal arts college.

The college's emphasis on interdisciplinary studies, intensive writing programs and independent research demands of students a high degree of initiative and responsibility, he noted.

"For example," he said, "the student proposes a contract for a course stating his or her plan for a project. The student does not receive a grade but does earn academic credit. The amount of credit is based on the professor's evaluation of the quality and quantity of the work done."

He added that students also evaluate faculty members.

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Zylawy is a specialist in 18th-century French literature, but he has a broad interdisciplinary background, having taught French, Spanish, Polish, Ukrainian, humanities courses at various levels and film courses.

He has directed the high honors program in French at UM and, in 1975, the UM study program in Burgundy, France. He will direct the intensive French workshop scheduled by UM at Flathead Lake Aug. 16-21.

Zylawy, who joined the UM faculty in 1969, earned a Ph.D. at the University of Colorado. His awards include a Fulbright grant for research in Paris in 1967-68 and a National Endowment for the Humanities Seminar Grant, University of Illinois, in 1976. He is the author of a number of articles and professional papers and of a translation of "The Gods are Athirst," a book published in 1977.

His wife and children will be with him in Olympia.

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