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Montana State University selected to conduct Counseling and Guidance Training Institute

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Montana State University has been selected to conduct one of the Counseling and Guidance Training Institutes planned by the U. S. Office of Education for the summer of 1961, MSU President H. K. Newburn announced. The institutes are financed entirely by federal funds, he said.

Dr. Robert E. Gorman, director of University Counseling and Placement Services, will direct the institute, which will be in session on the MSU campus from June 12 to August 18. The 25 registrants to be accepted in the institute will receive weekly stipends of $75 plus an allowance of $15 a week for each dependent.

An applicant must currently be devoting at least half of his time to guidance and counseling work in a secondary school or be preparing to take such a position for the 1961-62 school year, Dr. Gorman said. He must have a bachelor’s degree and a secondary-school teaching certificate; have six quarter-hour credits or more in tests and measurements and introduction to guidance courses, or their equivalent, and be eligible for admission to the MSU Graduate School. Applications must be sent to Dr. Gorman at the University by April 15.

A principal purpose of the institute will be to improve the high-school counselor’s skill in serving academically able students, according to Dr. Gorman. The courses offered will include measurement, methods of counseling, educational and occupational career information, guidance problems, counseling practices, and a guidance seminar. The program carries 15 quarter hours of graduate credit, which may be applied toward state counselor certification.

Serving on the staff will be Dr. James J. R. Munro, Dr. Thomas Burgess, Registrar Leo Smith and Dr. Gorman, all of MSU, and Prof. Joseph Crowley of Northern Montana College, Havre. Other authorities in the field from Montana and elsewhere will serve as special lecturers and consultants.

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