

VOTE YES - END UNIVERSITY COMPLICITY (AGAIN) WITH THE DRAFT

With the steady escalation and widening of the war in Vietnam and the possibility of a future war with China, the U.S. government is facing the problem of a manpower shortage. To meet this shortage approximately 1/3 of all college Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors have been reclassified, making it increasingly obvious that students throughout the country will be asked to kill and be killed in an unjust war against the Vietnamese people.

The false sense of security we get from our 2-S is proving more illusory everyday. At first the "deferment" served to divide us from ghetto and working class youth; now with reclassifying, ranking and multiple guess tests we are being divided against ourselves. At Stanford ranking still takes place despite a request from the academic senate that it be abolished. However, each student is allowed to "decide" whether or not his class rank will be sent to his draft board. Since the government requires every male to supply his draft board with all information necessary to determine his draft status, freedom of choice in this instance is meaningless. The draft board can assume that anyone who doesn't send his ranking has poor grades and should be drafted. Ranking for the draft should be stopped. We can no longer allow the government to divide us and pick us off one by one.

-- WE ARE VULNERABLE UNLESS WE ORGANIZE --

On Wednesday and Thursday you can decide whether the university should continue ranking students for the draft. Vote yes - end draft ranking. The mad scramble for grades in order to stay out of the army subverts the purpose of education. Also, the selective service system itself is designed to divide us from other segments of American youth. Our interests be inbanding together with movements at other universities and high schools and with movements of ghetto and working class youth to fight a draft which is coercive and undemocratic, to fight against a war which is against our interests as well as the principle of self-determination which our country hypocritically preaches. For this reason SDS started a nation-wide anti-draft program and Stanford SDS helped to form the Stanford Anti-Draft Union. Since the youth of this country must fight this war, we must take the initiative and lead the opposition against it and build a movement that can successfully resist and then change the society that fosters war, racism, and poverty in this country and in the world.

VOTE WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY

END RANKING FOR THE WAR

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