

Stanford polled on interest in ROTC

The Stanford Committee on ROTC is canvassing student interest in military training, according to Bob Barker, committee chairman and a graduate student in applied physics.

Barker this week sent letters to 117 students who expressed interest in ROTC (Reserve Officers Training Corps) last spring, asking whether they would be interested in cross-enrolling in the Army ROTC program at the University of California, Berkeley.

If at least 10 Stanford students enroll in the Berkeley program, "we will ask Stanford to allow your ROTC classroom instruction to take place here, on campus, so that there will be no need for weekly trips to classes in Berkeley," Barker's letter said.

This would not open the

questions of academic credit or faculty status for ROTC instructors at Stanford, he believed.

Barker has sent letters outlining his proposal to Stanford President Richard Lyman, Provost William F. Miller, and Prof. Gordon Craig, chairman of the Faculty Senate.

ROTC was phased out at Stanford in 1973 after the Faculty Senate voted to bar future academic credit in May 1970.

In January 1974 the Faculty Senate voted 29-12 to postpone indefinitely a request from Barker that Stanford consider initiation of new ROTC programs. This action left standing a 1970 Senate report recommending that any ROTC program should have drill and training off campus.

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