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Number 1, September, 1979

A Manifesto for System-Based Unified Knowledge: The core idea of this approach is that to understand complex social reality does not necessarily require numerous or complex conceptual tools. Article Alfred Kuhn, University of Cincinnati

Association News-*On April 24, 1979 the AIS was incorporated as a not-for profit association under the laws of the State of /Ohio.

- The 1980 Conference to be held in Washington, D.C. in conjunction with the meetings of the American Association of Higher Education.
- Preparations for the WORKING PAPER SERIES continue under the direction of Ivan Kovacs, Editor, and Jerry Petr, Vice-President for Publications.
- The AIS is exploring possible foundation support for summer workshops in interdisciplinary and integrative theory, methodology, and pedagogy.

National Conference on the Teaching of Interdisciplinary Social Science (April 79)-Summary -Decision made that there is a need for some organized means of collecting and disseminating information on integrative studies.

Integrated Studies At Kenyon College, - Integrated Program in Humane Studies was inaugurated in the Fall of 1975 after several years of planning. Article by Richard Hettlinger, The Director, IPHS, Kenyon College

Employment Opportunities-All AIS members encouraged to list their job openings in the Newsletter. The Unified-System View: A Short Summary, by Alfred Kuhn.

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What Is Macro-History? A Capsule Summary, by Lee Snyder, New College, University of South Florida
Comments on Alfred Kuhn?s "Unified-System View" (AIS Newsletter #1) by Robert Lisle, Professor of Classics, James Madison University
Professor Kuhn Responds to Professor Lisle?s comments.

Association News-Memberships in the AIS have now passed 100 and are continuing to come in weekly.

Convention, Convention, Convention, Convention-1980 AIS Convention to be held in Washington, D.C. in conjunction with the meetings of the American Association of Higher Education.

Call For Working Papers-AIS is making available at cost a series of refereed working papers.

Bibliography Of Journals on Interdisciplinary Teaching, by Fred Weaver, Hampshire College

The Evergreen State College-The history of the college by Jeanne Hahn and Tom Rainey.

Employment Opportunities-AIS members are encouraged to list job openings in the Newsletter at no charge.

Number 3, February, 1980

The Transdisciplinary Perspective of Maharishi International University, by Robert Winqvist, Professor of Education at MIU

Association News, Call For Working Papers-AIS is making available at cost a series of refereed working papers.

Focus: Alfred Stern, 1980 AIS Conference Keynote-Associate Director of the White House Domestic Policy Staff and the University Distinguished Service Professor will be the keynote speaker at the AIS convention, March 5. Article by Debra Jenks, Student, New College of USF

The Freshman Interdisciplinary Studies Program at Temple University,-Began in 1975 supported by a grant from the Mellon Foundation. Copies of sample syllabi are available upon request form the Director. Article by Toby Olshin

Ecology and the Politics of Scarcity, - by William Ophuls. This book has been selected by the American Political Science Association as the best book in American public policy in 1977. Review by George Stein, School of Interdisciplinary Studies, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.

Number 4, June, 1980

Social Choice Theory -Social choice theory offers a conceptually simple approach to the integrative study of human experience, by Dana N. Stevens, New College, University of South Florida

Association News-Election results report.

Overspecialization In the Arts: A Contemporary Problem,-we lose sight of unifying relationships among the disciplines. by George Wolfe

The Western College Program at Miami (Ohio) University, Program Overview, History, Core Curriculum and the Community Learning Program by Bill Newell, School of Interdisciplinary Studies, Miami University

The Common Curriculum at Loyola University (New Orleans),-The Common Curriculum is the liberal arts requirement at Loyola. Article by Richard E. Johnson, Program Director

Number 5, September, 1980

Law as Integrator of the Social Sciences, by Eugene V. Rostow, Sterling Professor of Law and Public Affairs, Yale University

Association News- A Message From The President

Book Review -*Interdisciplinarity: The Mutable Paradigm*, by William V. Mayville review by Paul Von Blum

Interdisciplinary Education at Northeast Illinois University, Program Overview, by Emily C. Wadsworth

Employment Opportunities-All AIS members are encouraged to list their job openings in the Newsletter for no charge.

Number 6, January, 1981

A Transpersonal - Humanistic Approach to Integrative Studies, (two major kinds of humanism) by Kenneth Lux and Mark Lutz

Association Notes-*Grand Valley State Federation of Colleges the site of the Third Annual Convention of the AIS, April 2-4, 1981, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

- AIS members should have received call for papers in November.
- Conference details to be sent when program is finalized.
- Bill Newell, prepared a grant proposal to develop a manual on the teaching of interdisciplinary methodology and to organize a summer institute for faculty teaching interdisciplinary programs but trained in disciplines. He is also currently exploring possibilities for financial support.

- Secretary attempting to transcribe and summarize sessions at last conference.
- Paragraph asking for news, such as descriptions of integrative programs, book review, bibliographies, job openings, and anything else of interest to AIS members.

Diverse Social Setting As A Context For Human Development, by Ivan D. Kovacs, Professor of Human Development. The Human Development program at California State University, Hayward uses interdisciplinary higher education to promote student and faculty development and knowledge about development. The program leads to a B.A. degree.

Number 7, May, 1981

Letter From the President of the Association-major event in the life of this association is its annual convention-moving toward the fourth annual conference.

Scholarly Paper Series-Association launching two new series of scholarly papers, a refereed and a working paper series.

Letter from the Editor-*Newsletter will be devoted primarily to news, which will establish regular communication between individuals and institutions concerned with interdisciplinary and integrative studies.

* A list of areas covered by the [Newsletter](#).

Logo contest-Design a logo for the Association and win registration fee to 1982 conference.

Research Project on Interdisciplinary Methodology-William Newell gets grant to study the range of approaches in the U.S. to Interdisciplinary Studies in undergraduate liberal arts or general education courses.

Comments on Rostow's "Law as Integrator of the Social Sciences", AIS Newsletter No. 5, September, 1980, by Alfred Kuhn

Third Annual Conference: Notes-Sixty persons attended the Third Annual Conference of the Association for Integrative Studies, co-sponsored by William James College, April 2-4, 198a in Grand Rapids, MI.

Number 8, November, 1981

Issues in Integrative Studies- The launching of the publication "Issues in Integrative Studies" is announced. It is planned as an occasional publication and will cover such topics as interdisciplinary theory and methodology, pedagogical approaches for enhancing interdisciplinarity, and models of integrative curricula.

Notes from the Editor- items the membership would like to see in the Newsletter based on the results survey sent out with the Summer 1981 Newsletter.

Newly Revised M.A. In Interdisciplinary Social Science At San Francisco State University-Beginning in the fall 1981-the first change since 1964.

Fourth Annual Conference-will probably take place in April or early May.

Nominations Committee Slate, by Forrest Armstrong-Some changes have been made for some positions.

Biographical Sketches for 1981-83 Slate-includes, Jeanne Hahn, Thomas Benson, Thomas Murray, Frederick Weaver, Paul Haas, Beth Casey, and Robert Winqvist

Kudos by Forrest Armstrong-Dana Stevens stepped down his three responsibilities. Rusty Wadsworth now editor and Jerry Petr as treasurer.

St. Anselm College: Humanities Program,- the heart of its ?core curriculum?: those studies required of all students at the College and around which the individual student shapes his or her education. Article by Philip Valley, OSB, Director Humanities Program

Faculty Search: Physical Scientist and Social Scientist at Miami's Western Program

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Integrated Social Science: A Case for Integrative Studies, -Alfred Kuhn's intellectual biography and the relation he forged between integrative studies and integrated social science, by Robert D. Beam

Election Results-1982, 83 AIS officers elected.

1983 AIS Conference and National Conference on Interdisciplinary Studies, April 14,15 & 16, 1982.

Ramapo College of New Jersey will also be present. Article by Thomas Murray

William James College 1971-1983 - Grand Valley State Colleges to end 13 -year experiment as a federation of semi-autonomous colleges. Wm. James College will cease to exist at the end of 1982-83 academic year.

Article by Forrest Armstrong

Issues in Integrative Studies,-(first edition) request by Ray Miller for members to write if they did not receive the first one.

Review of Alvin White (ed.), Interdisciplinary Teaching. New Directions for Teaching and Learning Series, by William Newell

Randomization and Creativity Explorations in Computer Assisted Composition Research-Research Abstract the relationship between randomization and creativity is a topic of growing interest in the field of Artificial Intelligence, by George Wolfe, dep artment of Music James Madison University

Notes from the Editor-*Forrest Armstrong presents a description of the effects of hard times/reorganization on interdisciplinarity at William James College.

- A new and official logo designed by a student at William James College and submitted by Forrest Armstrong.
- Request for news.

Number 10, March, 1983

Letter From the President-asking those who believe in interdisciplinary teaching and research to rally to each other's aid by renewing membership by Tom Murray

Ramapo College of New Jersey-the site of the 1983 AIS conference. A description of the college is given.

Article by Yole Sills, Ramapo College

News in Brief-*Program for 1983 AIS conference at Ramapo to be sent in mail to all AIS members.

- Request from Raymond Miller, Editor of Issues in Integrative Studies, for publishable manuscripts in interdisciplinary studies
- Appreciation expressed to Dr. Jerry Petr for service as Treasurer of the AIS .

Association for General and Liberal Studies hold next annual conference on "A Quest for Common Learning" in Lexington , Kentucky.

Job Opening Announcement (Urban Affairs, St. Cloud State University)

Editor's Corner-need to come to an agreement on the nature of the interdisciplinary method.

Profile of Keynoter for 1983 AIS Conference-Alexander Morgan Capron, LL.B., is Professor of Law, Ethics and Public Policy at Georgetown University.

The Creation Controversy: Science or Scriptures in the Schools by Dorothy Nelkin, an update of her earlier book Science Textbook Controversies and the Politics of Equal Time, Review, by Muriel Blaisdell, Interdisciplinary Studies, Miami Uni versity.

Course on Nuclear Arms Race, began at Clark University in 1981 by faculty form the departments of sociology, government, history, philosophy, physics and psychology. Article by Joseph de Rivera, Clark

University

Number 11, May, 1983

Association News-*Announcement of the next two AIS conferences.

- Ray Miller appointed Vice-President due to resignation of Richard Hetling for health reasons. Julie Thompson Klein appointed to replace Ray as at large member of the Board of Directors.
- Proposal to change the name of the Association to Association for Interdisciplinary Studies.
- Largest attendance at Ramapo conference. Ten new members added.

Hutchins School of Liberal Studies, -A description of the school by Anthony Mountain, Provost of Hutchins
News briefs-*Patrick J. Hill, accepted position as Provost of Evergreen State College.

- Tom Murray recovering from open heart surgery
- Appreciation extended to Rusty Wadsworth for service as editor of Newsletter.
- Third Evergreen Summer Institute for College teachers in July.
- National Association for Core curriculum to hold next annual meeting in New England Area in October of 93.

Review of Paul Hirst's *Knowledge and the Curriculum*, -a collection of essays written over an eight year period from 1965 to 1973. by Philip Eddy, University of Massachusetts

Editor's Corner-Opening session of the Ramapo conference set an agenda for the Association.

Course on Brain Hemisphere Function, - Many general education programs in American universities claim they enhance student creativity, thinking, and problem solving skills and that they introduce the students to the central disciplines of human thought. Article by Elaine Kleiner

Number 12, October, 1983

Call for Papers for February Conference-The AIS & the School of Interdisciplinary Studies at Miami University will sponsor a conference on "The Future of Interdisciplinary Studies".

The Center for Interdisciplinary Studies at UC-Boulder, established by the faculty of the College of Arts and Sciences in 1979. Programs are listed. Article by David M. Armstrong, Director, Center for Interdisciplinary Studies

News briefs-vote on proposal to change name to Association for interdisciplinary Studies did not achieve the requisite two-thirds majority.

Humanities Education, a new publication of the National Association for Humanities Education, to have a regular section of abstracts of articles, reports and other published materials relating to interdisciplinary education at all levels and all settings.

*Recent conferences of potential interest to interdisciplinarians: "Social Sciences and Humanities in Technical Education", June 19-23 at Rochester Institute of Technology.

Listing of Undergraduate Interdisciplinary Programs-list of major undergraduate interdisciplinary programs in the U.S. compiled by the editor using three criteria.

AIS Working Papers Service Established-The Association inaugurating a service for scholars wishing comments on drafts of interdisciplinary papers not yet ready for publication.

Interdisciplinary Renaissance Research, In New York Raymond Ortali and his associates at IRIS compiling a *Guide to Interdisciplinary Research in Renaissance Studies*. Article by Julie Thompson Klein