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Review of Interdisciplinary Revisited: Re-assessing the Concept in the Light of Institutional Experience, Lennant Levin and Ingemar Lind (eds.) Review by Stanley Bailis, Social Science (Interdisciplinary Studies), San Francisco State

Department of Interdisciplinary Studies at St. Cloud State University-Prior to 1962, St. Cloud State University was organized on a divisional basis. One of these was the Division of Social Sciences, which included faculty in economics, geography, history, political science and sociology. Article by Alton Wolfer, Chairperson, Department of interdisciplinary Studies, SCSU

Journals receptive to articles in IDS-An exemplary survey of journals interested in publishing interdisciplinary articles.

Society For Literature and Science Formed-to encourage the multi-disciplinary study of the relationships among literature and the arts, and science and technology.

The AIS Bookshelf-The start of a new column to facilitate exchange of bibliography among AIS members.  
\*\* Len Doyal, "Interdisciplinary Studies in Higher Education," Universities quarterly, Higher Education and Society.

Forthcoming Interstudy Conference In Hungary-INTERSTUDY, the International Association for the Study of Interdisciplinary Research, to hold its 4th international conference in Veszprem, Hungary.

#### News In Brief-

- National Association for Core Curriculum's Board of Directors has proposed several by-law amendments designed to broaden the membership of NACC from secondary schools to include more college professors, in keeping with activities at their recent conferences. The 34th annual Core Conference will be held in October in Kent, Ohio
- The University Without Walls International Council has issued a call for papers for its 5th international conference on New Concepts in Higher Education, in June in Santa Monica, CA.

Call For Proposals For Next AIS Conference-The eighth annual AIS conference will be held at Bowling Green State University (OH). The theme-"The Contexts of Interdisciplinary Study: Pedagogy, Politics and Research."

Network Kiosk-The Pedagogy/Politics Network has compiled the results from the questionnaire it sent out to all AIS members last December. Members were asked to rank their top four interests among a list of eight topics.

### Volume 8, Number 2, May, 1986

Reminder-Proposals are due June 1 for the next AIS conference to be held in November at Bowling Green State University (Ohio)

Review of Robert Darcy, The Economic Process: A Structured Approach.-Darcy and his publisher clearly

have ambitions for this modest volume which are broader than the field of vision of a "standard" textbook in economics. Review by Jerry Petr

Fairhaven College At Western Washington University-Fairhaven compared to the Inquiry Program at University of Massachusetts at Amherst: counter-culture, student-centered, non-graded and interdisciplinary with an integrated core curriculum, by Bill Heid.

National ID Research Project Underway-The Association for Integrative Studies is pleased to announce the beginning of a multi-year research project on the impact of interdisciplinary education in the United States.

National Issues Forum Topics Set For 1986-87-Richard Pring's **\*\*The AIS Bookshelf-"Curriculum Integration."** Proceedings of the Philosophy of Education Society of Great Britain. **\*\*For the social sciences, see Martin Landau, Harold Proshansky and William H. Ittelson, "The Interdisciplinary Approach and the Concept of Behavioral Science,"** *Decisions, Values and Groups*, ed. Norman F. Washburne.

**\*\*For the distinction as it emerged in the work of the Foundation for Integrative Education, see Alastair Taylor, "Integrative Principles and the Educational Process,"** Main Currents in Modern Thought.-Bookshelf by Julie Thompson Klein, Wayne State.

Busche's "Contradiction Between Knowledge and Wisdom." This article by Jurgen Busche appeared in the January 27, 1986 *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*. It was translated from the German and edited for this newsletter by Roslyn Schindler of the University Studies/Weekend College Program at Wayne State.

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Ohio Program Excellence Awards: Cleveland State's First College and Miami's School of IDS-These two colleges were selected among 139 applicants.

James Boyd White-White will be the keynote speaker at the AIS banquet in Bowling Green, Ohio in November, by Beth Casey

News in Brief-

- An interdisciplinary conference on *Perceiving Nature: How the Humanities, Arts and Sciences View Our World* will be held on the University of Hawaii campus in Honolulu in March 1987.
- The 15th annual Conference on Ethnic and Minority Studies will be held in February in San Diego on "Ethnicity: Propaganda, Persuasion, and Political Economy."
- The International Christian Studies Assn. invites proposals for papers and ID panels/roundtables for its 2nd conference on "The Second Reformation: The Christian Challenge in Knowledge, Ethics and Faith" to be held in conjunction with the 18th World Congress of Philosophy in Brighton, England.
- The annual meeting of the Midwest MLA, No. 1986 in Chicago, will include a session "Teaching Literature in Interdisciplinary Contexts: Philosophy and Pedagogy" organized by Roslyn Schindler at Wayne State's College of Lifelong Learning.
- The 34th annual National Association for Core Curriculum conference on interdisciplinary education in October 1986 in Kent, Ohio.
- Taylor & Francis Inc. will begin publication in 1987 of *Social Epistemology: A Journal of Knowledge, Culture, and Policy*, ed by Steve Fuller, assistant professor of History and Philosophy of Science at the Center for Values and Social Policy at UC-Boulder.
- The Sociological Forum, the new official journal of the Eastern Sociological Society, seeks innovative articles that stretch the boundaries of that discipline or bridge gaps among disciplines.
- *Agriculture and Human Values*, a journal published for the last two years by the Humanities and agriculture Program at the university of Florida under a grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation-now shifting to subscription support.

AIS Bookshelf-**\*\*Our Association was featured as a major resource on interdisciplinary education in the**

March, 1986 issue of The Forum for Liberal Education. The issue begins with "Reflections from an Interdisciplinary Milieu" by Donald Levine (the college at the University of Chicago), and then highlights IDS programs at Bowdoin, Brown, Cal Poly Pomona, Memphis State, Ohio Dominican, Thodes St. Lawrence, and William Jewell.

\*\*Also take note of an article by Colin Campbell which appeared in the New York Times of 25 April, 1986 (Section). Entitled "Scholarly Disciplines : Breaking Out."

Position in ID Humanities Announced-The Institute for the Medical Humanities at the University of Texas Medical Branch seeks to fill a faculty vacancy in the Humanities, broadly defined.

Washington Center Established-Authorized only a little over a year ago by the state legislature, which encouraged the state's institutions to participate, the Center received at the same time \$50,000 in start up funds from Exxon Foundation to explore, inter-institutionally, learning communities and faculty development.

Position Wanted-Committed interdisciplinarian seeks appropriate academic position.

Review of Managing High Technology: An Interdisciplinary Perspective- edited by B.W. Mar, W.T. Newell, and B.O. Saxbury. Review by Barbara L. Whitten, Physics Department, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

Report on latest INTERSTUDY conference-INTERSTUDY (the International Association for the Study of Interdisciplinary research) held Fourth International Conference on Interdisciplinary Research in Minneapolis in August.

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Review of Natural Classicism: Essays on Literature and Science by Frederick Turner. Natural Classicism may be considered part of the revolution now underway in aesthetics, physics, mathematics, chemistry, biology and neurophysiology which constitutes what has been called "the emerging science of wholeness" or the "holistic paradigm." Review by Elaine Kleiner, Department of English, Indiana State University

Interdisciplinary Study and Inquiry Education at Hampshire College- Hampshire College has been committed ever since its founding in 1970 to a liberal education based on active student inquiry. Article by Frederick Weaver

News in Brief-

- The eighth annual AIS conference last month was a tremendous success, thanks to Beth Casey and the administrators, faculty and staff at Bowling Green State University. 140 registrants made it by far the largest conference since the organization was founded in 1979.
- Beth Casey has taken over from Julie Klein the task of organizing the program for the next AIS conference in October at Penn State.
- The AIS Board of Directors approved a constitution for the Student Network of AIS.
- The sixth international conference on "New Concepts in Higher Education" of the University Without Walls International Council to be held in June 1987 in Vienna, Austria.

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