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## Parking Machine 101



After students complained that the new parking permit machines were broken, campus police decided to run a remedial course on vending machine strategy. Step One: press the No. 1 button and wait until it says to put in your money. Step Two: put

in your money. Step Three: take the permit when it comes out. Police say students have tried to put in money before they press No. 1. This won't work. The machine will spit out your dollar, and you may get a \$28 ticket; don't let this happen to you.



Photo by Devina Deo

Ohlone officer Stewart Dawson monitors images from surveillance cameras.

## If you're on campus, you're on camera

By ANNA NEMCHUK  
News editor

More than 30 surveillance cameras now grace the grounds of Ohlone College. They will be recording 24 hours a day, Campus Police Chief Steve Fajardo assured, and will be monitored at certain times by campus security personnel.

Due to security issues, some details are unavailable for publication at this time.

The cost of the project was in the range of \$300,000. The money came from a bond approved four years ago and is part of a general campus security improvement program.

In the works are "code blue"

phones to be installed around campus that would instantly connect to campus security, and the police department, in the absence of the former.

The camera installation had no connection to the alleged rape last year, Fajardo firmly stated.

The keyless locks currently ensconced at "key locations" around campus, however, were in response due to the equipment thefts last year.

Despite rumors to the contrary, the Campus Chief was adamant that no cameras have been installed in private areas, which include locker rooms and bathrooms.

"People first, people always first," Fajardo declared.

## Environment World Forum set Sept. 20

By ANNIE UTTER  
Staff writer

The Sept. 20 World Forum will be about The Natural Step Approach to Environmental Sustainability in the gym starting at noon. A guest speaker will be announced. An open discussion will commence after the meeting to answer questions. Students, faculty and the community are invited. For more information, contact Sarah Zentner at (510) 659-7369.

## English Dept. gets its AA degree

By ANNA NEMCHUK  
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"You, too, could be an English major," Alison Kuehner, professor of English, offered with a smile upon hearing that Ohlone's new English AA degree had been approved by the Chancellor's office.

Kuehner spearheaded the combined efforts of faculty and administrative staff, which took more than two years to come to fruition.

The degree is integrated with all the major UCs and CSUs in the area, though students should still check with their prospective schools to pinpoint the best classes for them.

The degree is a quick 20 units with English 101A and 101B re-

quired, a choice of three out of five core classes and the student's pick of another course among 19 which include: English 106 - Censorship and Literature, 117 - Science Fiction and Fantasy and 114 - World Mythology. The exact requirements can be found on Ohlone's web site at [www.ohlone.edu/org/currguides/current/english.html](http://www.ohlone.edu/org/currguides/current/english.html)

Some controversy has come up over making two of the five core classes English 105A and 105B, Survey of American Literature and English Literature, respectively, year long courses, improving integration further with some universities. The major concern is whether students would want to have one class extend over two semesters.

"I think the question has been

what's going to work for our students, what can help them," said Kuehner.

Goals for this degree are weeding out liberal arts majors who are actually English majors and giving students specific skills aimed at improving writing and critical thinking.

The degree has gone into effect immediately, so anyone having already completed the requirements is eligible.

This spring's course offerings have already been largely determined, but the English department is excited at reintroducing more courses next fall.



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Alison Kuehner