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Don't forget to check your **Career Marketing Workshop Series Schedule** to see what classes are available this module. If you have any questions concerning the workshops or would like to receive a schedule sheet, you may ask **Tom Matthews** or **Carmel Lurito** in the Career Services Center. Day classes meet Monday through Thursday in Room 3. Please check your schedule for class times. Evening classes meet Monday through Thursday, at 5:30, 7:30 and 8:20 in the Board Room.

Student Calendar

September 14...Open Saturday Lab
September 16...INTERIM START
September 27...Graduation, 8 p.m.
Scottish Rite Center
September 28...Open Saturday Lab
October 7.....MODULE START
Associate program

Bachelors Program Launched

by Dr. Griff Pitts, Dean of Academic Affairs

In the spring of 1996, Masters Institute learned of its approval to offer two new degree programs at the baccalaureate level. In a letter from the Council for Private, Postsecondary, and Vocational Education to Les S. Nicholaeff, CEO, was granted approval to offer the Bachelor of Science in Multimedia Communications and Presentations and the Bachelor of Science in Systems Administration. Similarly, in a letter from the Accrediting Commission for Career Schools and Colleges of Technology (ACCSCCT), President Bernie Fortunoff, learned that Masters Institute was granted approval to offer the Bachelor of Science degree in Multimedia and the Bachelor of Science degree in Systems Administration. Graduates of Masters Institute Associate degree programs are invited to apply for admission to the new baccalaureate programs. Masters Institute began its first Upper Division classes on August 26; this marked a significant milestone event for all of us at Masters.

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The criteria for admission to the Bachelor of Science degree programs are the following: the Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree from Masters Institute or its equivalent; a 2.5 grade point average (GPA), the submission of two letters of recommendation from faculty members or professional colleagues who know the applicant and a Personal Statement written by the candidate for admission.

Masters Institute Admissions Committee reviews applications and makes acceptance decisions. The committee comprises Bob Allen, Director of Admission; Mark Adams, Chairperson, Multimedia; Craig M. Spriggs, Chairperson, Systems Administration; Donna Stewart, Dean of Instruction; and Dr. Griff Pitts, Dean of Academic Affairs.

All have Associate degrees and all have **above a 3.0** grade point average.

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The first Upper Division class in the program is the Digital Audio Application class. This course introduces students to digitized audio used in animation soundtracks, commercial CDs and video, the Internet, and virtual reality. Clovis Lewis is responsible for both the design and the instruction of the Digital Audio courses. Mr. Lewis is a dynamic instructor with an outstanding background in both music and computers. He earned his B.A. in Music Theory and Composition at the University of California, Santa Barbara. He is an accomplished composer and a concert cellist, playing with symphonic orchestras. He has been a consultant to various companies including Apple, Necolet, Dolch Logic, and Lockheed.

Among the new offerings of general education courses for the bachelor's degree program is a new class, "Small Group Discussion". Lane Scott, Masters faculty member and curriculum consultant, designed the course. He holds a B.A. from Santa Clara University and an M.A. from the University of Iowa; both degrees are in