Summer Term

Plenty of Opportunity For
Professional Advancement
Is the Keynote This Year

THE modernization program that caused important changes in the 1938 Summer Session of the University of Oklahoma is being continued and expanded this year.

The hearty response to the innovations effected last year (a record breaking summer enrollment of more than 2,500 students) thoroughly convinced University officials that they were on the right path. So the program for the Summer Session of 1939 has been planned to continue and extend the most popular features of last summer.

The improvements are being made to ensure that the students will both enjoy the summer’s stay at O. U. and also find the summer as fully profitable as possible in their professional and intellectual advancement.

Last summer each student was given an opportunity to fill out a questionnaire, explaining his own needs and giving suggestions for improvements in future summer terms. These suggestions have been given careful consideration by the University's administrative staff in reshaping the summer work.

The curriculum has been revised to meet especially the needs and desires of members of the teaching profession, although a wide variety of general subjects is offered. Outstanding authorities in certain fields have been secured to serve as visiting professors. New courses have been added; library facilities have been improved. And the program of recreation for summer students has been made more extensive and more interesting than ever before.

The University administration has taken special care to make the Summer Session provide maximum opportunities for those who are interested in securing graduate degrees through summer work.

The residence requirements for the master's degree may be satisfied in two twelve-week summer sessions, or in three eight-week summer terms. A student working toward a Master of Education degree may now apply for approval of a program of study that does not include a thesis. The degree of Doctor of Education can be acquired by summer session work alone.

Four visiting professors of national reputation will teach courses in the Summer Session.

Dr. Will French, professor of education in Columbia University and author of many books in his special field, will be special instructor in city school administration.

Dr. Theresa Gunther, Brooklyn College, New York, will be special instructor in elementary education. Dr. Elbert K. Fretwell, professor of education in Columbia University, specialist in secondary education, will teach that subject. Dr. Fretwell is author of numerous books on secondary education and is an authority on extracurricular activities.

Dr. H. C. Nixon, an authority on the South, will be special instructor in government.

Some of the courses of special interest are: Accounting for Public School Superintendents, Secretarial Science, Education for Kindergarten Teachers, Safety Education for Teachers, a survey course in American Literature, courses for Deans of Men and Deans of Women, a five-hour creative writing course given by W. S. Campbell and Foster Harris, special courses in Journalism for high school teachers and sponsors of publications, French and Spanish Tables, modern language films, a Course in Band Maneuvers, and so on.

In addition to the regular curriculum, the Summer Session will offer an interesting array of short courses, conferences, and institutes, which are planned not only for students enrolled in the summer term but also for others interested in the subject matter of particular courses.

These special events will include:

The Institute of International Relations, June 12-13, 15-16, 19-20, 22-23.
Home and Community Short Course, June 12-16.
Short Course on Professional Writing, June 26-30.
Short Course for Commercial Teachers, dates to be announced.
Conference on Reading, June 29-30.
Institute on Professional Relations, June 6-7-8.
Visual Education, July 11-12.
Drum Majoring, Band Maneuvers, Flag Twirling, June 29-July 14.

One of the improvements to be put into effect this summer is a provision for better study conditions. Two graduate reading rooms are being established, where reserve books will be placed on open shelves and trained attendants will be in charge to assist students in finding reference materials.

The University has secured equipment for photo-recording and projection of books, making it possible for graduate students to purchase strip film of any out-of-print books or documents located in the great collections of the world, and to use these films in Norman.

Recreational needs of the summer students again have been given particular attention. Such sports as golf, swimming and tennis may be enjoyed in attractive surroundings. The University also will sponsor plays, concerts and motion pictures.

The Summer Session will include two terms, the first lasting from June 6 to August 1, and the second from August 2 to August 26.