Foreign studies unit formed at College

A Foreign Studies Center has been established at the College of St. Thomas to provide special service to students interested in sponsored international scholarship programs.

Dr. Paul Schons, Assistant Professor of Foreign Languages, has been appointed coordinator of the program. Its purpose is to collect, evaluate, and disseminate to St. Thomas students all information about the many study programs offered by foreign governments throughout the world. The first student so served is Fred Pospisil of Clarendon Hills, IL, who will spend six months studying in France (see below).

The Center's service will encompass all kinds of programs; ranging from short summer sessions, and including interim tours and full-year scholarships. It will serve as a counseling agency for student applicants, providing information about programs available, travel and living arrangements and costs, coordination between St. Thomas and sponsoring institutions in academic requirements and opportunities, and post-program assistance to students in the transfer of earned academic credits.

Dr. Schons said the Center will serve in advising applicants for the Fulbright Scholarship, administered by the International Institute of Education.

OFF TO PARIS — Fred Pospisil, second from left, a 20-year-old St. Thomas junior, leaves for France next month to spend six months in the Sorbonne Cours de Civilization program in Paris. A Clarendon Hills, IL, resident, Fred will study French language and humanities. He is a combined English and Speech-Theatre major at a Foreign Studies Center has been established at the College of St. Thomas to provide special service to students interested in sponsored international scholarship programs.

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Majors plan started

The College of St. Thomas now is offering an expanded interdisciplinary majors program to allow students more flexibility in pursuing their vocational aims.

Dr. Andrew Hrezo, Assistant Academic Dean, announced that this modification of the traditional academic major program permits the student to take his major course work in more than one field. An example, he said, is the combination of business administration and foreign languages. A growing number of students is interested in international business and finance. By combining major study in both departments, students can save time and increase the effect of their learning experience.

Closely paralleling the interdisciplinary major program is St. Thomas' "theme major plan," Dr. Hrezo explained that it is devised for students who wish to emphasize special study within a particular field. The "theme major" permits them to be selective in choice of course work, cutting across department and area lines and concentrating on portions of the curriculum in a particular field. An example is the urban studies major.

NEWCOMERS WELCOMED — Capt. Gregory Kline, USAF, left, of the St. Thomas Aerospace Studies department, welcomes part of the contingent of St. Olaf College students who are commuting weekly from Northfield, MN, to participate in the College's Air Force ROTC program. St. Olaf's own program was discontinued earlier this year. With the addition of the Oles and two St. Catherine women, the St. Thomas ROTC unit now numbers about 80 cadets. From left with Captain Kline are Arthur Nelson, Brian Busse, and Eric Peterson, all of St. Olaf, and Cheryl Thums and Dianne Larson, both College of St. Catherine students. Kline is a St. Thomas graduate, Class of '86, the first Air Force officer to be assigned to duty with the St. Thomas AF-ROTC detachment.

DR. MUELLER HONORED — Dr. Franz H. Mueller, retired professor and veteran chairman of the College of St. Thomas Department of Economics, won international recognition recently for his contribution to the field of social economics. The October, 1974, issue of REVIEW OF SOCIAL ECONOMY, published by the Association for Social Economics, was dedicated to the eminent economist and former faculty member (1940-68). Hailing Dr. Mueller as a distinguished member of the Association, the dedication named him as: "Student of the morality of industrialized society, noted social scientist, scholar revered in the United States as well as Europe." Copies of the REVIEW are available in the St. Thomas O'Shaughnessy Library.