Computer science chair Ronald Marsh explains his thoughts on the potential deal between the UND computer science program and the source giant Pearson in regards to revamping online education.

"I think if we can do it in a way that doesn't really disrupt current things in the department, I think most of the faculty and other university faculty are voicing their own support or concerns with a possible deal with Pearson," Marsh said. "According to Marsh, many of his online students are working professionals who may not be able to complete what the current curriculum calls for in this small amount of time. Summer semesters are 9 weeks; these semesters alone can have difficulty covering required course material."

Marsh said he recognizes Pearson's understanding of the target demographics, but an understanding of the computer science program is what's causing the back-and-forth on the duration issue. There would be issues if they went with the 8-week schedule, because then classes, faculty and resources wouldn't be able to sync. Whereas if the Pearson classes went with a 16-week schedule, Mars said he'd be able to schedule the same courses online and in-person with the same instructor. As the chair of his department, Marsh is the main communication line between the content of the talks and the remaining faculty. When asked how that communication is being conveyed, he said he would be having a meeting with his colleagues in the coming days. Their concerns and discussion points would become his going forward. "I think if we can do it in a way that doesn't really disrupt current things in the department, I think most of the faculty are okay with going online especially if it can strengthen the graduate program," Marsh said.

Despite Marsh's original skepticism towards online learning, he believes a possible deal with Pearson could help increase enrollment and retention in graduate courses, thus bringing in more tuition dollars and resources to the program. "This deal with Pearson and the conceptual construction would both involve substantial funds on UND's end. Regarding the construction concepts, feedback can be sent to und.facilitiesplanning@und.edu.

"The outlines include the demolitions of Gamble Hall, Chandler Hall, Sayre Hall and the Hyslop Sports Center, along with other more deteriorated buildings." Jacob Notermann, Staff writer
Attempted campus sexual assault a “crime of opportunity”

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Dakota Student

On January 8, University of North Dakota students still scattered across the country for winter break were alerted by mass notification the suspects in a recent attempted sexual assault in Noren Hall had gained access to the dorms. The incident was unusual both in its dramatic nature and timing and might raise questions regarding dorm safety, particularly during breaks when dorm capacity is extremely low. The second year that students staying in the dorms over break could remain in their usual rooms as opposed to being congregated into one dorm building. However, dorm security over break is not lessened, with Resident Advisors (RAs) on duty 24 hours a day and the UPD still conducting random walk-throughs of the facilities. Maria Draper, former RA of Noren Hall and current Resident Manager with the UND Housing Office, says that one of the biggest problems facing the dorms is an easy going culture among students regarding entry.

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In my opinion, I think this was - I have to say this almost like a crime of opportunity,” Caro said. “Had they not been able to gain access to the dorms, or had the doors not been unlocked, I don’t think this would have happened.”

In addition to the “timely notice” email, the UPD also posted information regarding this most recent incident on their social media pages, a tactic they say has been a great deal of help in the past.

“We can’t be everywhere all at one time,” Lieutenant Danny Weigel of the UPD said. “We understand that with policing, it has to be a partnership between both the community and the police department.”

According to the UPD, information gathered from social media tips were the biggest breakthrough in this most recent case.

“Each little tip we get, we can stop back and start putting a picture together,” Caro said. “In terms of preventing future crimes of this nature, Caro stressed that students must be aware of unknown persons attempting to get into the dorms, and said that this incident has led to discussions of whether to implement stricter security guidelines on dorm entry, such as having a designated person to check identification and verify that people entering dorm buildings are legitimate reasons for being there. Caro said suggesting these practices, which were first implemented on campus fifteen to twenty years ago, has been met with mixed reviews.”

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Bright lights shine on campus during a recent campus safety tour on October 12, 2017. A recent attempted sexual assault at Noren Hall highlighted safety and security concerns in the university community.

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It is our job to continue Dr. King’s legacy and “build a better community and society together.” Bailey’s speech was met with thunderous applause and everyone who had the privilege to hear it, myself included, was filled with renewed vigor to continue to stand for equality and inclusion despite any resistance or struggle we may face.

Mayor Brown announced that at next year’s event the city of Grand Forks and UND will be introducing “The Dream in Action Social Justice Awards.” These awards will recognize individuals who demonstrate courage and leadership, compassion and vision, thoughtfulness and action and pursuit of achieving or advancing the opportunity of community members,” Brown said.

Bailey urged us to see Dr. King’s work as a “living call to action,” to act fearlessly in the face of social injustice and help provide a space for those to tell their stories and validate their experiences. Bailey quoted Frederick Douglass “there is no progress without struggle,” encouraging us to continue Dr. King’s work, despite the hard times and struggles we may face.

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The Grand Forks Children’s Choir sang “Lift Every Voice and Sing.” Melanie Popejoy, the director of the choir, thanked everyone on behalf of the choir for the opportunity to sing at the event. The choir had the opportunity last year to do a tour in Washington D.C. and performed “Lift Every Voice and Sing” at the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial. The Martin Luther King Jr. Dream in Action Event was truly an inspiring and wonderful event.

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This past weekend, the UND Music Department presented their “Then Will Come Soft Rains” Ensembles Showcase concert at the Chester Fritz Auditorium.

The UND Allegro Women’s Choir performs “There Will Come Soft Rains” during Friday’s UND Student Ensemble Showcase concert at the Chester Fritz Auditorium.

As a music student at UND, Lorenz encouraged students to be part of a group. Music therapists are able to use music as a way to facilitate social interactions and help with language learning. Cassandra Richtsmeier, alumna of Piano Performance and Mathematics, said, "Music therapy is not just music therapy and in my work, it is an integral part of speech therapy." She went on to explain that music therapy and language therapy are often combined in order to help patients with speech disorders.

In addition to music therapy, Richtsmeier has worked with patients on social skills and language development. She has also worked with patients who have autism spectrum disorder.

Richtsmeier said, "Music therapy works on helping clients interact with their environment. It helps them to develop communication skills and understanding of cause and effect." She added that music therapy helps clients to understand the world around them.

Richtsmeier believes that music therapy can be a form of therapy for people of all ages. She said, "Music therapy can be used for people of all ages, from infants to seniors." She mentioned that music therapy can be beneficial for people who have experienced trauma, disabilities, or are dealing with stress.

Richtsmeier is a faculty member at the University of North Dakota and has worked with patients with disabilities for over ten years. She said, "I have seen a tremendous improvement in my patients through music therapy." She added that music therapy can help people to gain confidence, express themselves, and communicate with others.

Richtsmeier is currently working with a group of children who have autism spectrum disorder. She said, "I have seen amazing results with these children through music therapy. They are able to express themselves in new ways and communicate with others." She added that music therapy can help people with disabilities to reach their full potential.
Within the National Collegiate Hockey Conference (NCHC), no players on the UND men’s hockey team were submitted to be Hobey Maker nominees this year.

"It was determined that this year’s team, even more so than in recent years, is about the team itself and there isn’t a standout candidate to put forward at this time," Hajdu said. This is something that all UND hockey fans should keep in mind and admire about this year’s competitive environment surround- ing the team. It’s not about an individual player, but the team is more focused on being a better team rather than develop- ing standout players. At 12-6-6 this season, the team has had some really impressive eff- orts so far and is hoping to continue that team-first mentality with the second half of the season in full swing. Not all hope is lost. We may still see some UND players in the race for the Hobey Baker later on this year. Not being se- lected for the fan vote process does not pre- clude a player from being named a final- ist by the committee,” Hajdu said. “The two less sinister than the idea of the committee, but the media communications of outrage on the part of the UND fans on Facebook are certainly a testament to that. This is something that the committee has put up a successful and impressive rookie season. It cer- tainly is a testament to the hockey culture around Grand Forks to see how quickly people were willing to become upset with the lack of representation in this year’s Hobey Baker race. Fear not hockey fans.”

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Isabel Waite and No- lan Howland in high jump as well as Kayley Foster in pole vault. Waite had a personal best jump of 5 feet 6.5 inches to win the event in Fargo. How- land jumped 6 feet 8.25 inches to win the men’s high jump. Foster also came first place in her indoor conference meet last year. Foster is coming off an indoor season where she placed third at indoor conference. On the distance end of the track team, re- turns Hannah Os- carson, Erica Eades and Jordon Martin. They placed second at the Indoor Conference meet last year. Foster is coming off an indoor season where she placed third at indoor conference. On the distance end of the track team, returns Hannah Oscarson, Erica Eades and Jordon Martin. They placed second at the Indoor Conference meet last year.
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UND guard Geno Crandall drives to the hoop against Presentation College earlier this season at the Betty Engelstad Sioux Center.

Fighting Hawks guard Geno Crandall looks for an open teammate against Presentation College earlier this season.

Basketball looking for a bounce back

John Gregg
Dakota Student

With a less than fabulous start to the season, the Fighting Hawks Men's basketball hope to improve come crunch time. Recent wins to conference teams, Idaho State, Weber State, and a win to non-conference in state rival, North Dakota State propel the team in the right direction. "These last three games, I think you have seen the team we all knew we could be," Head Coach Brian Jones said. "It just took a little longer than we wanted to get there, but we'll take it and continue to grow and get better," Head Coach Brian Jones said. The Hawks started the season with a 4-9 record through December leaving many questioning what could have happened in the off season following last season's historic run to the NCAA Tournament for the first time in school history. Losing star player Quinton Hooker who averaged just under 20 points per game last season was a tough loss for the Hawks, Hooker now plays professionally in Poland. Fans wondered who would be able to step up and fill the void left by Hooker's absence, and as of recent the answer has been Geno Crandall, Junior Guard from Minneapolis, Minnesota. Crandall averages 16.3 points a game this season, leading the Fighting Hawks in scoring. Many had high hope that Crandall would be the much-needed replacement to the scoring void left from Hooker's absence, and although the team record shows the slow start Crandall's stats have been strong from the start. In the Hawk's most recent game, an overtime loss at Northern Colorado on January 20, Crandall scored a team high 30 points, yet the team fell short after Northern Colorado scored a buzzer beater. "The past few years, we've developed a bit of a rivalry with them," UND's Geno Crandall said. "It kind of competes with the NDSU rivalry. But these games mean more because it's a conference game and last year we played them for a championship.

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UND guard Geno Crandall drives to the hoop against Presentation College earlier this season at the Betty Engelstad Sioux Center.
Nothing compares to the feeling of settling into a long winter break after a semester filled with exams, projects, assignments and stress piling into the living room with your family, hot cocoa in hand to watch Christmas movies and just relax. The first couple days of break are the ones to catch up on sleep and make plans with the hometown crew and for most students this carries throughout the entire break, but for student-athletes things aren’t as laid back.

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My break takes a different turn the day that my coach sends out the training schedule. The workouts are meant to be good tune-ups: getting into shape and getting in some speed before the first indoor track meet in early January. Instead of sleeping in, I’d wake up at 7 a.m. to have breakfast and drink some coffee. Around 9 a.m. I’d head out the door to either the indoor track or the gym. I’d walk back through the door of my house around 1 p.m. hungrier than ever and hearing my bed shouting my name. I get into a routine of working out first and resting later while family and friends are squeezed into the spaces that were left open. The rest of the time at home went by in a blur and before I knew it, it was time to head back up to Grand Forks for a week of intense training before school started up again.

Coming back to Grand Forks the first week of January is a different experience to say the least. It seems like campus isn’t quite the same when there aren’t a hundred people walking down University Ave. at any given time. Once the team gets back, we spend a majority of the day with each other either at practice, volunteering or socializing. The main point is, winter break becomes a time to get better. The coaches look at the lack of school as an opportunity for athletes to put more time into training and more time into recovery. This is a given for the athletes on the team, who follow the training programs rigorously and often without complaint. However, families are the ones that often have a problem with the high intensity training. Not only are you sacrificing a week of time at home to come back and practice with the team, but you’re sacrificing countless hours while you’re at home to be working out. Parents claim to understand, but help load up the car with slight resistance and teary eyes. I hugged my sister goodbye and told her to enjoy her remaining three weeks of winter break as she told me, again, how much it sucked that I had to go back after two weeks of my own. All this being said, there’s something that feels right about driving back to Grand Forks. There’s something about the early mornings, the long practices, the team meals at a variety of restaurants around town. Honestly, there’s something about the second family that you miss so much while you’re in your hometown. Grand Forks becomes home and the team becomes family. These are the types of bonds that make it seem like sacrificing time at home isn’t that much of a sacrifice at all.

Sacrifices for your sport

Teams and coaches can become second families for student athletes staying on campus during holiday breaks.