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About 70 persons are expected to attend a Washington State Agency Conference Workshop on Cooperative Education, scheduled to be held April 7 and 8 at The Evergreen State College.

The workshop, first of its kind and one of a series planned for the future, is sponsored by the office of the governor and the Evergreen Office of Cooperative Education. Participants will include personnel from about 32 state agencies--many of which already have student internship programs arranged with Evergreen--and faculty and staff from the college.

"This two-day workshop has several purposes," explained Ken Donohue, Director of the Evergreen Co-op office. "It will give Evergreen further exposure to various state agencies, allow the college to know more about the work of governmental units, get people on and off campus better acquainted with each other, and provide for a full discussion of the role of interships.

"The latter includes an examination of how internships are developed, how they relate to those of other state agency programs, pay for interns, the relationship of intern experience to college study programs, what interns can do and how they are evaluated, ways by which state agencies may play a role in academic planning at Evergreen, and avenues for the college to play a role in agency planning processes."

Registration for the workshop will begin at 3:30 p.m., April 7 in the second floor lobby of the Daniel J. Evans Library Building. The opening session, to be held in the Board of Trustees meeting room from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., will include presentations by James M. Dolliver, Administrative Assistant to the governor; Evergreen President Charles J. McCann; and Donohue.

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Activities April 8 will include several small-group sessions and a final general assembly. The small-group meetings will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the final assembly will start at 4:45 p.m. Group discussion leaders will include Donohue, Jim Long and Dave Calof, all from Evergreen's Co-op Office; Dolliver; Academic Dean Charles Teske; and Faculty Member Larry Eickstaedt.

The Cooperative Education program at Evergreen coordinates the placement of students as interns in a variety of state and social agencies, schools, businesses and industries in an attempt to provide a bridge between theoretical learning and practical, on-the-job training, for which academic credit is awarded. The Co-op Office also operates a volunteer program through which students and persons from off-campus may participate in a wide variety of mutually beneficial projects.

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