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Approximately 2,100 students will begin returning to The Evergreen State College campus September 24 when Washington's newest four-year institution of higher learning launches its third academic year. Student orientation will be held the week of September 24-28, followed by a college-wide public open house on September 30, and the formal beginning of instruction on October 1.

Some 115 faculty members will be on hand to offer a broadened curriculum which includes 15 interdisciplinary Coordinated Studies programs, 24 group study contracts, and a wide variety of individual studies. Faculty will report for work September 17 for one week of orientation prior to the arrival of students.

The academic program also will include more than two dozen modular courses, which will be offered for the first time as extensions of Evergreen's regular team-taught and individualized studies. Modular courses will be open as an option to full-time students. They also will be available to part-time, special, and auditor students from the immediate college service area, who will participate in a special registration from 4 to 8 p.m. October 2 in the Admissions Office.

The categories of special and auditor students also are new for the 1973-74 academic year at Evergreen. Previously, Evergreen offered programs only for regular part-time students, those working part-time toward a degree.

The new category of special student applies to one who is not working toward a degree, but is earning academic credit and receiving full evaluation. Auditing students are those who will not receive credit or full academic evaluations.

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When Evergreen, founded in 1967, opens for its third academic term, students will have year-long use of two new facilities which began operating late in 1972-73 --- a Laboratory Building and the Recreation Center. The 73,000-square-foot Laboratory Building includes space for instruction in both the arts and sciences. The 54,500-square-foot Recreation Center provides space for a variety of learning experiences and exercise.

The sounds of construction also will continue during the 1973-74 year. Work on a new Seminar Building began in the late summer of 1972 and will continue until the 45,000-square-foot classroom and office structure opens in 1974.

Construction of an addition to the Laboratory Building will start during Fall Quarter, 1973, and is scheduled for completion in mid-1975. The 81,000-square-foot facility is a near replica of the existing Laboratory Building and will allow a doubling of laboratory spaces and a broadening of Evergreen's instructional capabilities.