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BRUSH-UP COURSE
IN STUDY SKILLS
OFFERED FOR WOMEN

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"Wives and mothers are entering the working force in large numbers these days, and many of them are discovering that a stopover in the college classroom is a wise first step."

Mrs. Louise Roff, director of the University of Minnesota General Extension Division's continuing education for women program, explained her statement a little more fully.

"Some of these women find they must continue an education that was interrupted by marriage and family. Others discover they have to update their previous education to enter their old professions," she said.

"In either case," Mrs. Roff continued, "these mature coeds often feel that they're a bit rusty on the basic student skills of college-level reading, composition and study methods."

Homemakers---and women already in the working force---will have a chance to brush up on these skills during a four-day workshop in "Basic Student Skills" offered by the continuing education for women program from Aug. 21 to 24. Associate professor David M. Wark of the University's Reading and Study Skills Center is coordinator of the program.

"The course not only offers instruction," Mrs. Roff commented, "it also provides women with an opportunity to assess their educational development and regain self-confidence in their academic abilities."

All students will enroll in a first-day orientation session which will be conducted from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. On the afternoon of the first day they will receive results of the morning's testing and an analysis of their reading and writing tests.

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Each student then will choose to attend one or two of the three workshops which will be conducted on the following three days.

A reading workshop, to be held from 9:30 a.m. to noon each day, will train students in such things as paragraph interpretation, critical reading and techniques for skimming and scanning.

A study skills workshop, to be held from 1 to 3 p.m., will offer advice and practice in the areas of notetaking, memorizing, self-reinforcing techniques and preparing for and taking exams. Another afternoon workshop on writing of themes and research papers will be conducted during the same two hours.

Students who wish to take two workshops may choose the morning reading session and either the study skills or the writing session.

Tuition is \$25 for one workshop and \$35 for two workshops. Cost of the first day's orientation session and all class materials is included in the fee.

The course will be conducted in the Nolte Center for Continuing Education on the Minneapolis campus. Registration is limited and must be received by Monday, Aug. 14.

For more information, or to enroll in the workshop, contact Mrs. Roff, Continuing Education for Women, 310 Nolte Center for Continuing Education, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn., 55455; telephone 373-5166.

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