

DULUTH--UMD students who are having scholastic difficulties may receive free tutorial assistance this year.

The Tutorial Society of 54 high-ranking students was organized through the efforts of the UMD Student Association and is being chaired temporarily by Don Larmouth, Esko.

All tutors have a 3.0(B) average or better and most have done "A" work in the fields in which they are tutoring. Almost every field is included in the society's membership.

In most cases tutoring will extend for two or three weeks to assist students over difficult periods in course work, or to help them catch up after illness. The society will not function the last three weeks of each quarter to prevent its becoming a "cramming club", Larmouth said.

All tutoring will be done on a one-to-one basis -- no more than one student will be working with the tutor at the same time. Each tutor may dismiss any student he feels is not putting forth his best efforts.

A student may apply for assistance by filling out a form at Kirby Information Desk. The form will be processed within a day so the student may contact his assigned tutor. The Student Tutorial Society will be in full operation three weeks after the start of classes Monday (Sept. 25).

The society will elect officers and will have the assistance of training sessions, an advisory board and faculty consulting service.

The prevalent tutorial society idea was initiated at the University of Pennsylvania.