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DAYTON, Ohio, July 22, 1974 --- Students in the University of Dayton’s criminal justice program will be the beneficiaries of a $100,000 award for the coming academic year from the Law Enforcement Education Program (LEEP).

The monies are available through the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, an agency created by the Justice Department as a result of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act.

Those eligible for the tuition payments include both those students who have received money from the program in the past and those criminal justice students who are employed in a criminal justice field.

Students who are not working in such a field ("pre-service" students) and have not previously received money from the program, are among those not eligible for the LEEP money, according to James Adamitis, Director of UD’s criminal justice program.

Thus, points out Adamitis, young people interested in criminal justice as a career are encouraged to find employment.

In addition to benefiting from LEEP, the criminal justice program at UD also stands to benefit from the Vietnam Veteran's Bonus Bill which will provide the cost of tuition for Ohio veterans attending college retroactive to January 1, 1974. LEEP funds can be used to pay the costs of fees and books not covered by the state funds. The total number of criminal justice majors at the University this fall is expected to be over 200.