Table 8 records responses from Ph.D. departments on the quantity and assessed quality of graduate students for 1976-1980. More departments reported a decrease in the number of annual applications entering the Ph.D. program and the quality of students over this period than an increase. It is troublesome to find that one-third of the departments claim that the quality of applicants has decreased.

Table 9 indicates changes in the major field of specialization selected by entry graduate students. More departments report an increase, rather than a decrease in the students selecting public administration and public policy, two of the fields for which there is a demand for faculty. And, more departments report a decrease, rather than an increase in the number of students selecting comparative politics and political theory, two fields for which the job market is tight. These data show that, to some extent, individual student preferences on fields match the fields where they may find academic jobs. But, in a few fields, notably American government, public law, international relations and methodology, student preferences are not compatible with the availability of jobs. This is particularly troublesome with respect to American government, a field that has special prominence in undergraduate education because its share of enrollments is so high and there is a continuing demand for faculty in American government. It may be that the law schools are competing all too successfully with political science programs for undergraduates interested in American politics and public

The Association will continue to monitor how graduate programs address training and placement. This year we are collecting descriptions of those graduate programs that have changed or added a component designed to prepare political scientists for careers outside of academia.

Lipset Appoints Committee Members

APSA President Seymour Martin Lipset has appointed new members of committees to fill the seats of those whose terms are expiring. (The entire list of committee assignments is printed in the Winter Features section of this issue.)

David R. Mayhew of Yale University is heading the Nominating Committee which will nominate political scientists to serve on the Council, APSA's governing body. Stanley Rothman of Smith College and Mildred A. Schwartz of University of Illinois at Chicago Circle, the other two new members of the six-person committee, will serve with Mayhew through 1983.

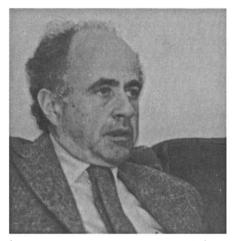
The Nominating Committee is soliciting suggestions for nominations for president-elect, three vice presidents, secretary, treasurer, and eight members of the Council for two-year terms.

Suzanne Garment of the Wall Street Journal chairs the Editorial Board of PS and serves with Dina Zinnes, Managing Editor of the American Political Science Review, as ex-officio member of the new Committee on Publications. Gerhard Loewenberg of the University of Iowa chairs this new committee which will coordinate APSA publications. Other members of the Publication Committee are: James Q. Wilson, Harvard University; Samuel Kirkpatrick, Texas A&M University; I. M. Destler, Carnegie Endownment; Richard Brody, Stanford University.

Michael J. Robinson of George Washington University and John E. Rouse of Ball State University are serving on the editorial board of *NEWS*, APSA's periodical on teaching. Charles O. Jones of the University of Virginia has been added to the *PS* editorial board.

The Ph.D. departments report using several indicators to determine the qualifications of applicants. Eighty-three percent of the departments use grade point average, the GRE, and letters of recommendation. Thirty eight percent of these departments require additional information about the students skills and experiences.

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Gerhard Loewenberg, University of Iowa, chairs the new Publications Committee.

Another new committee, the Committee on Non-Academic Political Scientists (which is replacing the Commitee on Professional Development), is led by Trudi Miller of the National Science Foundation. Other members are Carolyn Ban, Office of Personnel Management; Wesley B. Truitt, Northrop Corporation; Beth Schapiro, Research Atlanta; and George Kundanis, U.S. House of Representatives.

Nancy Zingale of St. Thomas College, has been named to chair the Committee on Professional Ethics, Rights and Freedoms. Allan P. Sindler of the University of California at Berkeley and John C. Wahlke of the University of Arizona have also been named to this committee. (The procedures and Advisory Opinions of the Professional Ethics Committee are reprinted in this issue's PS Appendix.)

New members of the Board of Trustees of the Trust and Development Fund include William J. Keefe of the University of Pittsburgh and Kenneth Prewitt of the Social Science Research Council. Alan A. Altshuler of the University of Massachusetts, Elinor Ostrom of Indiana University, Patrick McGowan of Arizona State University, and Marianne Githens of Goucher College were named to the Committee on Departmental Services. Ostrom is leading the committee as chair.

Philip E. Converse of the University of Michigan is the single new addition to the

Committee on Research Support.

Committees on minorities and women have added Mitchell Rice of Southwest Texas State College (Committee on the Status of Blacks), Harry P. Pachon of the U.S. House of Representatives (Committee on the Status of Chicanos), and Carol Nechemias of the Capitol Campus of Pennsylvania State University and Susette Talarico of the University of Georgia (Committee on the Status of Women). Talarico is chair of the women's committee.

Samuel P. Huntington of Harvard University has been added to the Joint Committee on Project '87, while five APSA members are serving on the Board of Trustees for the Evron M. Kirkpatrick Fund (see adjoining story).

President Lipset also named APSA members to serve on 13 award committees. Unlike the standing committees, there is no rotating membership on the award committees.

One new APSA award will be given at the Annual Meeting in September. This prize, the Carey McWilliams Award, was created to give recognition to journalists who contribute to the public's understanding of politics. Irving Louis Horowitz of Rutgers University heads this committee which will select the first recipient of the Carey McWilliams Award. (A discussion of the awards and the 1981 recipients can be found in the Fall, 1981, issue of *PS*).

Finifter Prepares Program for 1982 Annual Meeting

Papers are being prepared for the first annual volume on the state of the discipline of political science, according to Ada Finifter, Program Chair for the 1982 Annual Meeting to be held in Denver from September 2 through 5.

These papers will be presented at the Annual Meeting and then will be revised and published by APSA. Each paper will "define the particular area or sub-discipline