

Fisheries to Phys. Ed.

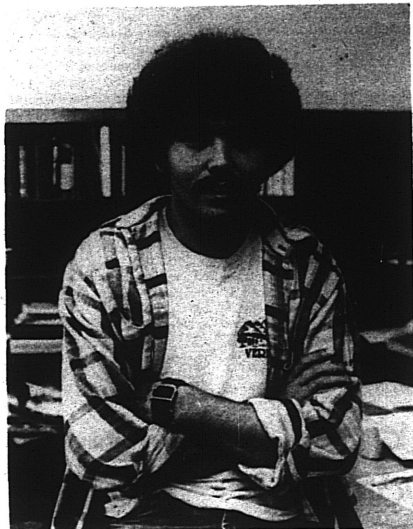
Sam Torkelson, a native of Anderson, Alaska, decided that his career plans at Sheldon Jackson College were "all wet." Sam is a first year student studying in the college's reknown Salmon Aquaculture Program. "I knew about Sheldon Jackson for years through my friends and by

some of my cousins who went here," Sam said. Many students need help in making career decisions, and Sam became interested in the fisheries program as he learned about its importance in the Alaskan economy. "I had always been interested in fish and I knew that Sheldon Jackson had a good program in aquaculture."

Sam was also attracted to the Physical Education curriculum at the college and he plans to participate in intramural basketball tournaments and play in the city league. "One of the things I appreciate the most about Sheldon Jackson College is its smallness and family like atmosphere," the Alaskan Native said. The city

of Sitka itself is small, but it has many recreational, historical, and cultural programs to enrich the lives of its residents and the students at Sheldon Jackson. The Aquaculture major is only one of many fine academic and vocational programs offered by the college. Students can seek

employment in the rapidly growing field of Fish Culture Technology after receiving a certificate in the Salmon Aquaculture program. "I would like to go back and work at the Salmon hatchery near my home," Sam mentioned, "and going to SJ is the best way to get there."



SAM TORKELESON: SJC student