

Report of the Subcommittee on the
College Course in Hygiene &c.

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The sub-committee recommend that the course of instruction in Hygiene be modified and extended as detailed in what follows. While recognizing that the primary object of the course is to provide a scientific training of high educational value leading to a thorough knowledge of sanitation and the laws of personal & social health and as such qualifying for the College diploma, they also recognize that a considerable proportion of the students are likely to present themselves for external examinations, such as those of Sanitary Inspectors Board, or of the Factory Inspectors.

The changes that they recommend are therefore with the object of more fully meeting these last requirements.

The changes recommended are therefore mainly, the extension of the teaching of General Hygiene, a considerable addition to the important subject of laws enacted on Sanitation, the addition (for factory inspectors) of an entirely new group of subjects on Industrial and Social Legislation & on Economics; and (for sanitary inspectors) the provision of instruction in sick nursing and the feeding of infants.

These extensions can be met by making the College course of lectures in Hygiene one of 60 lectures instead of 40; and by providing a fourth term of work, consisting on the one hand of the above suggested courses of lectures to be given in the College on Social & Economic questions, and on the other hand courses of instruction to be obtained at an external school (by arrangement with this College) in Sick Nursing — e.g. as now given at the Chelsea Infirmary, and in Infant Management as given at the School for Mothers at St. Pancras.

These courses in the fourth term should be arranged so as not to clash with one another, so that a student who

desires to do so, would be able to take both courses concurrently. The Committee recommends therefore that the course be as shown.

Leat Term.	Summer Term.	Michaelmas Term.	Leat Term.
Hygiene	Hygiene	Hygiene (Law).	@ Special courses of lectures on Sociology & Economics B Sick nursing infant management.
Chemistry	Chemistry	Chemistry.	
Physics	Physics	Physics	
Physiology	Physiology	Bacteriology	

This arrangement of the course would enable students who desire to do so to take the examination for Sanitary Inspectors after the completion of the first 3 terms work in January; but the Committee strongly urges that the Council should proceed as soon as possible to obtain recognition of the College diploma as a qualification for Sanitary Inspectorship, and further to obtain University recognition of its course and diploma.

With regard to the special course in the 4th term, the committee think that it would be of great advantage if these lectures could be given in the College by specialists in the two subjects of Sociology and Law.

The duties of women Sanitary Inspectors differ in many details from that of men, that it would be possible and advantageous to omit from the Hygiene course ^{a detailed consideration of} questions of sewage treatment and disposal, meat inspection, and inspection of slaughter houses, and to extend the consideration of methods of ventilation, & of diseases of occupation & other subjects.

In regard to the related exact sciences no material change in the curriculum is suggested. It would however be desirable that the various teachers of the subject should draw up a syllabus in conformity with these recommendations (if adopted) and that they should afterwards confer in order to see that there is a proper distribution of subject matter & not an undue amount of overlapping.

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