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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL STUDIES.

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TRAINING FOR SOCIAL WORK.

The number of paid posts open to women in social service, statutory or voluntary, is continually increasing, and the status and remuneration of professional social workers have improved greatly in recent years. Correspondingly, higher standards of competence are required than formerly. Among the careers open to women with the requisite training are those of Club Leader, Hospital Almoner,

Labour Manager, Secretary to Youth Organisations Committee, Woman Property Manager. For all these and many other similar posts an adequate training is necessary. It is also realised increasingly by those who wish to render social service in a voluntary capacity that some preliminary training is desirable.

BEDFORD COLLEGE CERTIFICATE IN SOCIAL STUDIES

The course for the Bedford College Certificate in Social Studies is intended as a training for social work, whether undertaken in a professional or a voluntary capacity. It offers a general preparation which in some cases is sufficient to enable those who have taken it to enter directly on social work, though in most cases some further specialised training will be needed according to the branch of work selected. The Bedford College course extends normally over two sessions. An intrinsic part of it is a considerable period of practical work under skilled supervision. Arrangements are also made for visits of observation, conducted by the Tutor, to such establishments as Public Assistance Institutions, Schools for Physically or Mentally Defective Children, Housing Estates, Employment Exchanges and Factories.

The Bedford College *Certificate in Social Studies* is awarded on the results of an Examination held at the end of the Second Session.

The Examination consists of four papers :

- (a) Economics.
- (b) Social Conditions and Social Provision.

And *Two Subjects* from the following :

- (c) Hygiene.
- (d) Industrial and Social History.
- (e) Physiology.
- (f) Psychology and Ethics.

The Certificate is not awarded unless the reports on the practical work of the student are satisfactory ; it is in no case awarded to students under the age of 21 years.

The Director will see intending students at the College by appointment. They are not normally accepted under the age of 19 years.

FEEES

Registration Fee	-	-	£1	1s.	od.
Examination Fee	-	-	£2	2s.	od.
				Session.	Term.
Social Studies Certificate Course	-	-	-	26 gns.	9½ gns.

No fees can be returned. Half a term's notice must be given of withdrawal from the Course or from any Classes. Sessional Fees must be paid before November 1st.

Students in this Department are registered as Associate Students of the University of London. A fee of 10s. 6d. is charged to those who have not matriculated in this University.

Forms of entry may be obtained from the Registrar, to whom they must be returned, *not later than March 1st*, with the registration fee of one guinea. This fee is not returnable.

A list of hostels, boarding-houses and families approved by the College Authorities may be obtained from the Registrar. It is not possible to offer accommodation in any of the College Residences to students following the Social Studies course.

SYLLABUS FOR THE CERTIFICATE

Economics. An introduction to economic theory. The organisation of modern industry. Industrial relations. The organisation of the labour market. International trade. Problems of unemployment. The national income. Minimum wage legislation.

Statutory and Voluntary Social Provision. Distress and destitution. The Poor Law. Modern alternatives to the Poor Law. Public Health services. Housing and town-planning. Industrial welfare. The physically and mentally handicapped. Education. The treatment of crime. The organisation of the voluntary social services.

The Government of England. Parliament, Whitehall, Local Authorities.

Social and Industrial History. Social and economic organisation of England prior to the Industrial Revolution. The Industrial and Agrarian Revolutions. Nineteenth Century reforms: factory legislation, poor law, public health legislation. Social and political movements of the nineteenth century: Chartism, the Co-operative Societies, Trade Unionism. Changes in the attitude of the State to industry.

Ethics. Contrast between the explanation and the justification of conduct; justification and value. Ethical principles; determinate ethical situations; conflict of duties. Moral obligations and personal responsibility; punishment and reward. Self-control. Problems of community life; personal relationships; family life and marriage; the citizen and the State; loyalty; veracity in public life; Temperament, character and conduct. Morality and religion.

Psychology. An introduction to the systematic study of mental life with special reference to psychological problems in social work. Psychology of early childhood and adolescence. General principles of abnormal psychology. Mental deficiency and maladjustments. Problems of social and industrial psychology.

Hygiene. Principles of hygiene applied to schools and factories. The School Medical Service. Ventilation; drainage; heating and lighting. Disinfection. Preservation of food; Milk supplies. Water. Metabolism in relation to work and exercise. Care of skin and teeth. Vital statistics.

Physiology. The course is specially adapted to the needs of prospective Hospital Almoners and students of Public Health. It includes a general account of bodily functions, with particular reference to their application in problems of health.

A shortened course of One Session is open on the recommendation of the Director to the following :

- (a) Graduates, if their studies have included subjects relevant to this course.
- (b) Those who have already taken one year's training in theory of social work at another University centre and who can produce evidence of satisfactory work.
- (c) Very occasionally, those who have had considerable experience of organised social work and can produce satisfactory evidence of their capacity to undertake the theoretical side of the course.

Where the course is taken in a single session, it is not possible to include in it any practical work, which must as a rule be taken afterwards, so that the reduction in time is by no means as much as a full year.

B.A. DEGREE IN SOCIOLOGY.

An alternative method of training for social work is through the B.A. Degree in Sociology.

The course for this degree covers a period of three years but candidates can enter on it at the age of 18, provided they have matriculated or obtained exemption from matriculation and have satisfied the other entrance requirements of the College. (See prospectus, pages 12 and 13.) The academic standard of the degree course is considerably higher than that of the Certificate course, and the qualification of a degree is regarded as desirable for some of the higher posts in the field of professional social work.

The subjects of the degree in Sociology are : History of Social Institutions ; Ethics and Social Philosophy ; Social Psychology ; Principles of Method ; Social and Industrial Development ; Contemporary Social Conditions ; Political Structure of Modern England.

The course does not include any training in practical work, for which other provision must be made by those who wish to use the degree as a qualification for social work. The Head of the Department will advise as to this.

Further particulars may be obtained from the Registrar.

TRAINING FOR HEALTH VISITORS.

Students are prepared for the Health Visitor's Certificate granted by the Ministry of Health. The normal course of training covers two years, exclusive of the necessary six months' general hospital training and eighteen months' course in midwifery. A shortened course of one year is open to fully trained hospital nurses. The detailed regulations issued by the Ministry of Health may be obtained from H.M. Stationery Office, York House, Kingsway, W.C.2, or through any bookseller.

The tuition fees are 26 guineas a session. In the case of students eligible for a grant from the Ministry of Health these fees are reduced by the amount of the grant received on their behalf, *i.e.*, by £15 for the one-year course, £20 for the two-year course. Grants are also made by the Ministry of Health to prospective Health Visitors during their training in midwifery.

This course is suspended while the College is evacuated to Cambridge owing to the difficulty of arranging the practical part of it.

