

NURSING STUDIES UNIT

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Dear Jean,

Thank you very much indeed for agreeing to act as external examiner for our course. As you know, we are developing our course piecemeal and the present situation of University cutbacks, particularly at Bedford College, is not really conducive to the running of the first year of a course and its total development. We are therefore the more pleased that you, with your enormous amount of experience, having been only the second in the country to develop a nursing studies course, should have agreed to become our first examiner. We recognise, too, that you are extremely busy, particularly with your involvement in the U.K. Central Council for Nursing.

What we have done with the examination questions is to divide them into two sections. Section A is designed to extract some perfunctory ideas on the issues discussed in these questions, which will be examined in more detail throughout the remainder of the four years. Similarly, this applies to Section B which we have headed "Daily Living Activities"; we have again emphasised a more perfunctory model and hope that in the next four years the nurses gain a deeper insight into the underlying principles.

It is in the light of this that I would like you to have a look at the questions and let me have your comments. I should be most grateful if you could let me have them as soon as you can, as we have to submit the examination questions to the University of London at the beginning of April.

Yours sincerely,

Marion Ferguson.