

for Acad. Board
July 4. 1922.

REPORT OF HYGIENE COMMITTEE

The Hygiene sub-committee met on Tuesday, June 25th, 1912.

- (Present: Dr Brincker
- Mr Crompton
- Dr Edkins
- Mr Womack
- Dr Willcox (External Examiner)
- and the Secretary of Council.)

The Committee had before them the statement issued by the Board of Education in regard to grants in aid of Technological work in Universities. In considering how the Hygiene course might be modified in order to meet the conditions required by the Board, the Committee noted especially the three following regulations:

- (1) "It is anticipated that not student will be admitted to a full-time diploma course unless he..... has passed a Matriculation or other examination qualifying him to undertake work of a University standard."
- (2) "Grants are payable in respect of Diploma courses The Board understand by a "Diploma Course" a course of not less than 2 years' duration"
- (3) A Diploma course will not be accepted as a full-time course "unless it occupies the student for at least eight half days either morning or afternoon in each week throughout the three terms of the Academical Year."

These conditions raised three questions

- (1) The difficulty of insisting on Matriculation or its equivalent for some candidates for the Hygiene course unless it is to be compulsory for all. Many students who now take the course have not matriculated and would probably go elsewhere if this standard were insisted on.
 - (2) The present course, to earn a grant, must be extended from 4 terms to 2 years.
 - (3) Some additional subjects must be added to bring the amount of time required to eight half days in each week.
1. In regard to (1) the Committee were unanimous in thinking that the admission of students with little or no previous training in science tended to lower the level of the teaching while the student, if taking the course in one year, was obliged to take elementary work along with the Hygiene classes, the result being unsatisfactory. If however Matriculation were insisted on as a general condition, it was agreed that the course must be made attractive to B.Sc. students if it is to continue to exist, as the present type of student might be deterred from entering.
 2. It appeared to the Committee that there might be two classes of students (1) grant earning (2) non-grant earning. The amount of the grant is £20 per year for each student completing a year's work in a full-time course.

The full course which would qualify for the grant, is proposed as follows:

First Year. Attendance at Intermediate classes.

Chemistry
Physics
Physiology (this will be introduced in 1913-14).
and as an optional fourth subject Mathematics or Geology
(including some Physical Geography).

(This would have the advantage of qualifying the student to take the Inter B.Sc. at the end of her first year if she so desired).

Second Year.

	Hygiene	Chemistry	(two half days)
	"	Physics	(one " day)
	"	Physiology	(" " ")
(Term)	Bacteriology	or Economics	(two half days)
	Hygiene		(two half days)

A student who desired to take the two years' course but was not qualified to earn a grant because she had not passed the Matriculation, might take as the optional subject in the first year either Mathematics or Geology as above mentioned or one term Bacteriology and two terms Economics, any of these to be Intermediate standard.

A student desiring to take the course as it stands at present would attend the second year classes and would not be grant earning.

3. The additional time required is provided for by the addition of the first year course, and by the extra Bacteriology and Economics provided for in the second year.

The Committee agreed to recommend the above modification of the course to the Board and were further of opinion

- (1) that as a general rule two years training for the course is advisable.
- (2) that if the longer course is not instituted but the present course is retained it is advisable to increase the amount of Bacteriology given from one half day a week in one term to two half days a week in one term.

The Committee further agreed to ask the Academic Board to constitute them a standing Committee, to be called the Hygiene Board, to consider from time to time questions affecting the Hygiene course.

The Committee agreed to meet on Tuesday, July 2nd, at 12 noon to consider (1) the report of the Hygiene examination for the Hygiene Diploma (2) the applications for the Hygiene Scholarship. It was hoped the Principal would be able to be present.