

5th May, 1983.

Mrs. J.M. Longden,  
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Dear Mrs. Longden,

re: Special Advisory Committee in Nursing Studies.  
Bedford Course: Therapeutics and Pathology.

I am enclosing the report of the Visiting Examiner on the Internal Examination for course S290, and Bedford College's comment for the consideration of committee members.

Yours sincerely,

Marion Ferguson,  
Director of Nursing Studies.

Comments on report of Visiting Examiner on Therapeutics & Pathology  
internal examination.

The report raises obvious problems. In view of the fact that the teacher will not be available next session, and of the probability of the course not continuing after that date, it seems sensible for us to review the provision of this course from scratch. That we are now doing and anticipate coming forward with a fresh proposal for next year's students. The present course unit will now lapse. So far as this year's students are concerned, we have discussed the report with the lecturer and appropriate steps have been taken to deal with the matters contained in it.

Department of Nursing Studies,  
Bedford College,  
3rd May, 1983.

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Dear Mrs Ferguson,

I have marked the four intermediate examination papers in Pathology and Therapeutics held during the BSc in Nursing Studies SRN Course at Bedford College.

Regarding these papers, one person passed with 51% and the other three students achieved 49%. As I was worried about my marking, I showed the papers to one of our tutors in the combined SRN/DN Course. She said that I had been too generous. Even Miss Milne's paper (51%) was patchy. Apart from this paper, the others demonstrated a lack of depth of knowledge of both Pathology and Pharmacology. I feel that the three candidates who obtained 49%, had written answers which were less than BSc standard.

I believe that more in-depth knowledge of both Pathology and Pharmacology is required. From all that I can see of the papers, I felt that there was a general lack of detailed knowledge of these subjects.

Yours sincerely,

Dr J.L.H. Laity  
Senior Lecturer