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MACDONALD-BUCHANAN AND LORNA DELVE SCHOOL OF NURSING, JOHN ASTOR HOUSE, FOLEY STREET, LONDON, W1P 8AN.

# Degree in Nursing Studies Ad Hoc Committee.

The next meeting of the above, will take place on Monday, 5th December 1977 at 4.30 pm in Room 60 of the MacDonald-Buchanan School of Nursing.

Tea will be available at 4.15 pm.

It is very much hoped that you will be able to be present. Relevant papers will be circulated nearer to the date.

> E. L. BLAKE DIRECTOR OF NURSE EDUCATION

Extract from Academic Board minutes of .....

d) The future development of the degree in Social Policy and Mursing

The Board agreed to a request from the Department of Sociology that it might enter into formal discussions with the School of Nursing at the Middlesex Hospital on the development of the present combined course in Social Policy and Nursing into a four-year Course-Unit degree in Nursing Studies.

The Future Development of the Present Combined Course in Social Policy and Nursing in the Department of Sociology and the Middlesex Hospital School of Nursing.

- 1. This is a short paper asking for the agreement in principle of the Academic Board for the Department of Sociology to enter into formal discussions with the School of Nursing to develop the present combined course in Social Policy and Nursing into a four-year course-unit degree in Nursing Studies.
- 2. The development would have two aims (i) to remove the present financial restraints which derive from the need to pay students salaries while they are on the professional part of the combined course; on a four-year degree, the students would be on grant throughout the four years. (ii) to use the behavioural sciences to provide an academic base upon which a body of knowledge related to the principles and practices of nursing can be developed; such a body of knowledge is required to answer problems raised by the increased scope and perplexity of the health care system and the challenge that advances in knowledge and technology bring to the nursing profession.
- 3. The Department is particularly well qualified to develop the behavioural sciences in this area as a result of the work of Professor Jefferys and Professor Brown in medical sociology and students already benefit from the opportunity to study a course in this subject. It can easily absorb an increase in intake to between 12 and 15 students a year from the existing maximum of 6, imposed by the financial restraints already referred to, within its present overall establishment. This modest increase would enable a more viable group of students to be supported and justify the operation of specially designed courses for them.
- 4. The Department joined the School of Nursing earlier this year in setting up an ad-hoc group to advise them on the development they envisaged for the existing course. The group included persons from Bedford College, the School of Nursing, the Middlesex Hospital Medical School, the General Nursing Council and the N.H.S administration and in the second of two meetings it considered papers setting out the history of the present course and the arguments for its future development. The group gave its unanimous support to a proposal to develop a four-year degree based on the behavioural science programme now offered to students on the combined course.
- 5. Basically, the Department sees this proposal as the reshaping of an existing provision rather than as a new development. It already possesses, therefore, the resources it needs while those required for the appointment of nursing tutors can be found out of the money released by ending the need for paying student salaries at the School of Nursing. However, the Department would propose that an application be made to the U.G.C for development funds (the U.G.C has said that it is willing to consider such applications) and that the opportunity be taken to reinforce the provision in the College for the teaching of social psychology.

At present, the psychology available for students in the Department consists of a course provided by the Department of Psychology which depends on the College being able to provide that Department with equivalent extra resources, a postgraduate course provided by a visiting lecturer, and a course at the L.S.E whose future availability is in some doubt. There is no doubt that the Department would benefit considerably from a more secure provision for psychology, particularly social psychology, whether through the appointment of a lecturer in the Department or through an appointment in the Psychology Department that would allow that Department to release further resources to the Sociology Department. At the moment, however, the Department is not asking for such an appointment and its proposed development does not depend upon it. Rather it is asking for agreement in principle to develop its present course into a four-year degree, admitting 12-15 students a year as part of its present establishment, on the understanding that no additional resources would be required but that consideration would be given to an additional provision in psychology if the U.G.C provided funds for it. The new degree would not begin until October 1980 at the earliest and a detailed proposal dealing with both academic and resource matters would be submitted for approval to the Academic Board before any commitment was entered into by the Department.

Dr Burton

10 February 1977

The Principal

I have now had an opportunity of looking at your letter about a degree in Nursing. I see no reason why your proposed Committee should not go ahead and draw up proposals, but would ask you to ensure that our Registrar - and his opposite number at the Middlesex - are always included.

J. N. Black

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The Principal Bedford College (University of London)

Dear Principal,

You may remember that I spoke to you some time ago about the possibility of our joining with the Middlesex Hospital in mounting a degree in Nursing to replace the present arrangement we have for a combined course consisting of the ordinary Social Administration degree with a special postgraduate SRN course.

You encouraged me to explore that proposal and in fact we had a couple of useful meetings on the matter. However, we encountered some difficulties that caused us to rethink the project out from the beginning.

At the same time, Chelsea's development for a degree in Nursing Studies came to ahead, and we have now reviewed our plans in the light of that development. It seems to us, that is to say, to those concerned at the School of Nursing and myself, that we ought to take advantage of the opportunity presented by the University's approval of degrees in Nursing Studies organised on a course-unit basis over four years, to establish such a degree at Bedford and the Middlesex.

We are agreed that the degree would concentrate upon the behavioural sciences rather than upon medical sciences relevant to Nursing, which we would see as forming part of the Nursing Studies units of the degree although there would need to be some academic study of such sciences in addition. In this respect the degree we envisage will be different from that being mounted by Chelsea and would, therefore, be complement rather than a rival to it. I believe the Department is in a unique position thanks to Margot's work to support such a degree and I believe that this is the degree which would be of greatest benefit to the nursing profession. This view is shared by the School of Nursing at the Middlesex and indeed, it has been a feature of all their thinking on this matter.

I have spoken to Margot and to Mac as well as to Jim Ilersic and George Brown and all are in favour of the proposal for a degree in Nursing Studies. I am, therefore, writing to you to ask if I might discuss the matter with you and if you are in favour to approach Professor Widdas and Professor Foss. My immediate suggestion is for us to join with the Middlesex to set up a Steering Committee which would include representatives from the medical school and from the General Nursing Council, as well as from the School of Nursing and Bedford College. Its job would be to draw up a scheme which would be submitted to both parent institutions.

I would like to discuss with you first your own reactions to this proposal (I can let you have some more details though, of course, these are very tentative as yet) and secondly, and if you are in general agreement with exploring it further the right stage at which we should ask the Academic Board for its views in principle.

Yours sincerely,

Ivor Burton

### THE MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL

Macdonald-Buchanan School of Mursing, John Astor House, Foley Street, London, W.1.

ELB/DMW 26th July 1977

Dear Mr. Turnbull.

I am writing to inform you that in accordance with the general consensus of opinion, the next meeting of the Degree in Mursing Studies Ad Hoc Committee, will be held on Wednesday, 28th September at 4.30 p.m. in Room 60 of the Macdonald-Buchanan School of Mursing. I hope you will be able to join us for tea at 4.15 p.m. before the commencement of the meeting.

Yours sincerely,

D. M. Whitton (Mrs)
Secretary to Miss E. L. Blake Director of Murse Education.

Mr. L. P. Turnbull, Registrar. Bedford College, Regent's Park, London, N.W.1.

## DEGREE IN NURSING STUDIES AD HOC COMMITTEE.

Listed below are possible dates for the second Committee meeting. I would be grateful If you could indicate which dates would be convenient for you to attend, and return them to me.

Monday, 26th September 1977

Tuesday, 27th September 1977

Wednesday, 28th September 1977

Thursday, 29th September 1977

Friday, 30th September 1977

Monday, 3rd October 1977

Wednesday, 5th October 1977

Thursday, 6th October 1977

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Tuesday, 11th October 1977

Friday, 14th October 1977

Signed: Levi, ninll

Mrs. D. M. Whitton Secretary to Miss E. L. Blake Macdonald-Buchanan School of Nursing, John Astor House, Foley Street, London, W.1.

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### THE MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL

### MACDONALD-BUCHANAN SCHOOL OF NURSING.

# MINUTES OF THE DEGREE IN NURSING AD HOC COMMITTEE

## HELD FRIDAY, 27TH MAY 1977

#### PRESENT:

Miss E. L. Blake
Dr. I. F. Burton
Professor B. M. Foss
Miss A. Hodgson
Professor M. Jefferys
Mr. D. J. MacDonald
Mrs. C. Plouviez
Miss B. M. Quigley
Professor P. H. Silver
Mrs. J. Streeter
Mr. L. P. Turnbull
Professor W. F. Widdas

### APOLOGIES:

Miss C. Chapman Miss M. Cooper Professor O. R. McGregor Mrs. M. J. Morgan Dr. F. B. Saunders

The first meeting of the Degree in Nursing Ad Hoc Committee was opened by Dr. Burton, who welcomed everyone on behalf of Miss Blake and himself.

Dr. Burton confirmed that the purpose of the meeting was to review the possibility of a Degree Course in Nursing Studies between The Middlesex Hospital and Bedford College. He explained that the present Degree Course in Social Science and Administration and State Registration has approximately 6 students a year usually made up of 5 at Bedford College and 1 at the London School of Economics, and that the first course commenced in 1969. It was therefore considered that as four sets have now graduated a reasonable period of time had passed in which to consider the subject of the present course in the light of Briggs recommendations and other Degree Courses.

The main aim was therefore to decide on the future procedure of the Committee and to consider three important issues namely:-

- 1) Academic
- 2) Resources
- 3) Organisational

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Mr. Turnbull referred to a letter received from the University Grants Committee dated 20th May 1977, regarding finance for the Academic Year 1980/81. The letter confirmed that finance would be available for some new courses, which included nursing.

Miss Blake informed the meeting that when the existing scheme commenced in 1969, there were 4 similar courses in London with an extremely high number of applications for very few places. This tendency had continued but it appeared that many candidates are now looking for more integrated courses e.g. Degree in Nursing Studies. Miss Blake confirmed that she felt students who qualify with a Degree in Nursing would be prepared for careers in all branches of the Profession, and that opportunities were extending continually.

The question of the financing of the 6 students was raised and Dr. Burton confirmed that it is hoped the students would be eligible for Grants, which would then in no way involve National Health Service money for salaries. It would be hoped that the present number of 6 students would be increased between 12 - 15 per year. This higher number would be beneficial both from the point of view of resources and the students taking part.

Of those students on the present course who dropped out, it was interesting to note that very few actually left nursing completely, several going into different branches of the Profession.

General discussion took place covering several areas connected with the possible Degree in Mursing. Mrs. Streeter confirmed that under the Briggs recommendations the Profession should aim at 5% graduates. Dr. Burton told the Committee that degree course student classes would certainly be made up of existing classes but with additional teaching in some areas where necessary.

Considerable discussion took place concerning the relevance of behavioural sciences to nursing and the make-up of the degree in nursing, and Dr. Burton said he would expect the behavioural science subjects to be enhanced by the students pursuing their professional training at the same time.

Miss Blake confirmed that many school leavers were disappointed at the few places for Degrees in Nursing and recent applications showed a greater tendency towards such degrees in preference to the linked degrees i.e. B.Sc/SRN degree.

It was agreed by members of the .Committee — that further investigations into the possibilities of a Degree in Fursing Studies should be made, and that more information was needed about the type of degree that would be proposed as well as on the needs of the Health Service. It would be necessary to ensure that the students, when trained, would be in a position to be absorbed into all branches of the Service as they are at present.

It was therefore decided that papers should be prepared for the next meeting which provided this information and which would also collate relevant information about existing Degree Courses. Other information should deal with the Briggs Report Recommendations and the U.C.C.A. evidence of application.

Dr. Burton concluded the meeting suggesting that he and Miss Blake would convene a sub committee to provide these papers and that a further meeting would be held of the Ad Hoc Committee in the Autumn.

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ELB/DMW 13th May 1977

Mr. L. P. Turnbull, M.Sc. New Zealand., Registrar, Bedford College (University of London), Regent's Park, London, N.W.1.

Dear Mr. Turnbull,

Further to my letter of 4th May in which I enclosed a list of the possible dates for the first of the ad hoc Committee meetings to explore the possibility of establishing a Degree in Nursing Studies, I am now writing to confirm that in accordance with the general consensus of opinion, the first meeting will be held on Friday, 27th May at 4.30 p.m. in Room 60 of the Macdonald-Buchanan School of Nursing, John Astor House, Foley Street, W.1. I hope you will be able to join us for tea at 4.15 p.m. before the commencement of the meeting.

You will probably like to know the names of those who have agreed to serve on the ad hoc Committee, and I am enclosing a list with the letter for your information.

We look forward to greeting you on 27th May.

Yours sincerely,

D. M. Whitton (Mrs)
Secretary to Miss E. L. Blake
Director of Nurse Education

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Dr. I. F. Burton, J.P., B.A.Belfast, Ph.D.Lond Senior Lecturer and Acting Head of the Department of Sociology.

Professor O. R. McGregor, B.Sc(Econ) Lond. Professor of Social Institutions, Head of Department of Sociology, and Joint Director of the Legal Research Unit.

Professor M. Jefferys, B.Sc (Econ) Lond.
Professor of Medical Sociology and Joint Director of the Social Research Unit.

Professor B. M. Foss, M.A. Oxon & Cantab. Professor and Head of Department of Psychology.

Professor W. F. Widdas, M.B., B.S., Durham Ph.D. D.Sc.Lond. Professor and Head of Department of Physiology.

Mr. L. P. Turnbull, M.Sc. New Zealand, Registrar Bedford College.

Miss C. M. Chapman, B.Sc., SRN., SCM., RNT., Director of Advanced Nursing Studies, Welsh National School of Medicine.

Mrs. C. Plouviez, Chairman, Nurse Education Advisory Committee

Miss M. Cooper, Chief Education Officer, General Nursing Council

Mrs. J. Streeter, Area Nursing Officer, Kensington & Chelsea & Westminster Area Health Authority

Mr. D. J. MacDonald, District Nursing Officer, The Middlesex Hospital.

District Nursing Officer, The Middlesex Hospital.

Mrs. M. J. Morgan,
Assistant Director of Nurse Education, Macdonald Buchanan and Lorna Delve
School of Nursing.

Miss B. M. Quigley,
Senior Tutor B.Sc/SRN Course Macdonald Buchanan & Lorna Delve School of Nursing.
Dr. Saunders,
Post Graduate Sub-Dean
Middlesex Hospital Medical School.

Director of Nurse Education, Macdonald Buchanan and Lorna Delve School of Nursing.

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Miss E. L. Blake,

Your Ref. ELB/DMW My Ref. PT 6th May, 1977.

Dear Mrs. Whitton,

Thank you for your letter of 4th May giving suggested dates for a meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee on a degree in Nursing Studies.

I regret that the only date that I can manage is 27th May. I have another engagement on 25th May and the other dates fall wikhin our examination period and are quite impossible for me.

Yours sincerely,

L.P. Turnbull Registrar

Mrs. Whitton, MacDonald-Buchanan School of Nursing, John Astor House, Foley Street, London WlP 8AN.

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ELB/DMW 4th May 1977

Mr. L. P. Turnbull, M.Sc.New Zealand, Registrar, Bedford College (University of London), Regent's Park, London, N.W.1.

Dear Mr. Turnbull,

Further to Miss Blake and Dr. Burton's letter of 29th March 1977 concerning the setting up of an ad hoc Committee to explore the possibility of establishing a Degree in Nursing Studies, we are now in a position to circulate a list of possible dates for the first of these Committee meetings.

I would be grateful therefore if you could indicate on the attached slip of paper the dates most suitable to yourself, in order of preference, returning the slip to this office for processing. I will then write to you as soon as possible to confirm which date the first Committee meeting will be held.

Yours sincerely,

D. M. Whitton (Mrs)

Secretary to Miss E. L. Blake Director of Nurse Education

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# **Chelsea College**

**Academic Registrar** 

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Your ref: LPT/MJS

Our ref: R2/65/SDL/DSB

L P Turnbull Esq. MSc Registrar Bedford College University of London

18 April 1977

Dear Mr Turnbull

BSc Degree - Nursing Studies

Thank you for your letter of 31 March.

You may know that the College's degree will be based on course units and therefore covered by the university of London course unit regulations with a special section relating to the Nursing Studies Degree. In addition, the College has supplementary regulations. I enclose a copy of both. These are technically still subject to approval by the University Special Advisory Committee, but I believe they are likely to be approved.

I am interested to hear that your College is considering a degree in Nursing Studies. On the administrative side I will naturally do anything I can to help you. You may know that we have recently appointed Dr Jack Hayward as Professor of Nursing Studies here. I feel sure that he is the best person to consult on any major questions.

Yours sincerely

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# COLLEGE REGULATIONS FOR THE COURSE AT CHELSEA COLLEGE LEADING TO THE DEGREE IN NURSING STUDIES AND STATE REGISTERED NURSE QUALIFICATION

NB. These notes are supplementary to the University Regulations for First Degrees based on Course-Units which are definitive.

### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1.1 The degree of Bachelor of Science in Nursing Studies will be awarded to a candidate who has completed a course of study and passed examinations as an Internal Student of the university of London in accordance with the prescribed Regulations. A successful candidate will also be awarded the professional qualification of State Registered Nurse. The course is designed for students who intend to become nurses in hospitals or in community health services, or for those who wish to combine studies in science with related studies in nursing.
- 1.2 The degree course will be conducted in accordance with the University Regulations for first degrees in the Faculty of Science based on course units for Internal Students at Schools of the University.

### 2. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 All candidates must satisfy the University's general entry requirements; details of these and of approved equivalents may be obtained from the Secretary to the University Entrance Requirements Department.
- 2.2 Candidates must also satisfy College requirements for entry to the course. These are GCE passes in Biology, Chemistry, English, Physics and Mathematics. Candidates will normally be expected to achieve three passes at Advanced level, at least one of which must be a science subject. Qualifications such as ONC or HNC with relevant experience will be sympathetically considered.
- 2.3 Experience in hospitals or laboratories will be an advantage.
- 2.4 A candidate must also have been accepted by an appropriate School of Nursing.

### 3. COURSE OF STUDY

- 3.1 A student is required to pursue a full-time course of study extending over four years. Part of each year will be spent on clinical placements in a School of Nursing approved by the University and General Nursing Council for the purpose, and in associated practical work.
- 3.2 The combined course for the degree and professional qualification will include courses in Science, Social and Behavioural Studies and Nursing. The courses will be taken concurrently. In order to qualify for the degree with Nursing Studies as the main field and also in order to qualify for the professional qualification, a student must complete at least twelve units of which at least six must be in Nursing, at least three in biological sciences and at least two and a half in social and behavioural sciences, and must pass in at least eleven units in these fields.
- 3.3 All unit courses forming part of the four year degree in nursing studies must be approved by the University.

- 3.4 A student is also permitted to take not more than two course units in subjects outside the fields of biological sciences, social and behavioural sciences and nursing.
- 3.5 At the end of the first or second year a student may chose, or may be required, to proceed to a course leading to the award of a BSc degree in another main field and without the professional nursing qualification. Such students will be eligible for the award of a BSc degree after a minimum course of study of three years as an Internal Student and completing at least nine course units and passing in at least eight.
- 3.6 An Internal Student registered for the BSc degree in another field may, at the end of his first year, be allowed to transfer to the second year of the Nursing Studies degree course provided his qualifications and experience are acceptable to the College. Credit may be given for appropriate University courses successfully completed before transfer.

### 4. EXAMINATIONS

- 4.1 Each course will, in accordance with the University Regulations, be separately examined.
- 4.2 Each course examination will consist of one or more of the following:
  - a) Written examination(s)
  - b) Practical examination(s)
  - c) Essays and reports
  - d) Adequate written accounts of a number of laboratory experiments, or of the clinical placements; or practical drawings or art or craft material prepared and submitted by the candidate and certified as his own work.

In addition to the above compulsory element the course examination may contain:

- e) Multiple choice questions
- f) Oral examination(s)
- g) Assessment(s) of laboratory work or work in connection with the clinical placements or of other aspects of a candidate's performance during a course.

The separate parts of an examination for any course may be held during the course or at any time after the end of the prescribed period of study.

- 4.3 All candidates who have successfully completed the degree course in accordance with the Regulations will be candidates for Honours. Such candidates will also be candidates for the qualification of State Registered Nurse, for which there will be no separate examination.
- 4.4 A candidate who is neither eligible for the award of the BSc Degree with Nursing Studies as the main field nor for the professional qualification, may neverheless be eligible for the award of the BSc degree in another field appropriate to the courses which have been successfully completed.

### DRAFT REGULATIONS FOR THE BSc IN NURSING STUDIES

- The degree of Bachelor of Science with Nursing Studies as the main field is for students who intend to become nurses in hospitals or in community health service, or for those who wish to combine studies in science with related studies in nursing. A successful candidate will also normally be eligible for the professional qualification of State Registered Nurse. The course is at present available at Chelsea College.
- 15.2 A student is required to pursue a full-time course of study extending over four years. Part of each year will be spent in a hospital school of nursing approved by the University for the purpose, and in associated practical work.
- 15.3 Students will take unit courses in Science, Social and Behavioural Studies and Nursing. The courses will be taken concurrently. In order to qualify for the degree with Nursing Studies as the main field, a student must complete at least twelve units, of which at least six must be in nursing, at least two and a half in biological sciences and at least two and a half in social and behavioural sciences, and must pass in at least eleven units in these fields. A student is also permitted to take not more than two course units in subjects outside these fields.

31st March, 1977.

Bedford College is about to begin discussions with the Middlesex Hospital Medical School and others on the possibility of establishing a degree in Nursing Studies to replace the existing special arrangement for a combined degree in Sociology and Nursing.

I should be grateful if you could let me have a copy of the Regulations for your newly-established degree. When I have looked through these I shall probably telephone you for help and advice.

S.D. Leedam, Esq. Registrar, Chelsea College.

### BEDFORD COLLEGE

(University of London)

## Fees

Details of fees for the Session 1976-77 are attached.

Your attention is drawn to the recent Government announcement (5th July, 1976) that tuition fees for the Session 1977-78 are likely to be increased by a considerable amount. Included in the announcement is the suggestion that fees may be, for all full-time students (whether Home or Overseas):

Undergraduates £650
Postgraduates £750

Fees for part-time students for 1977-78 have not been announced but are likely to be increased proportionately.

July, 1976

L.P. TURNBULL

Registrar

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Your Ref. ELB/DMW My Ref. LPT/PT Blat March, 1977.

Dear Miss Blake,

Thank you for your letter of 29th March. I shall be happy to serve on the Ad Hoc Committee set up to explore the possibility of a degree in Nursing Studies.

Yours sinceraly,

L.P. Turnbull Registrer

Miss E.L. Blake, Macdonald-Buchanan School of Nursing, John Astor Bouse, Foley Street, London VIP 8AN.

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## THE MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL MORTIMER STREET LONDON W1N 8AA

May I ask you to direct your answer to my secretary at the above address, who is co-ordinating the replies.

With the Compliments of

E. L. Blake Director of Nurse Education

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29th March 1977

Mr. L. P. Turnbull, M.Sc. New Zealand, Registrar. Bedford College (University of London), Regent's Park, London, N.W.1.

Dear Mª Turnbull.

You will be aware of the recent decision of the University to authorise a Degree in Nursing Studies and the establishment of the first such Degree at Chelsea College with effect from October 1977.

For sometime the Department of Sociology at Bedford College and the Macdonald-Buchanan School of Nursing of the Middlesex Hospital have co-operated in running a combined course consisting of a Degree in Social Administration followed by a shortened Post-graduate Nursing Course leading to State Registration.

The Nurse Education Committee of the School of Nursing have been considering the further development of this provision which has proved very successful, in the light of Briggs Report. After further consultation with a number of people in the University and the Profession, the Committee have decided to explore the possibility of establishing a Degree in Nursing Studies to replace the present combined course.

To this end an ad hoc Committee is being brought together, consisting of representatives from Bedford College, the Macdonald-Buchanan School of Nursing, the Middlesex Hospital Medical School, the General Nursing Council, together with other individuals drawn from the Profession.

In this enterprise we would greatly value your assistance and are writing to ask whether you would be willing to serve on this Committee.

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Director of Nurse Education Macdonald-Buchanan School of Nursing

Acting Head of the Department of Sociology Bedford College