

4. It was pointed out by certain members that it was often desirable for a student to take a course or courses in a cognate subject not given in the department under which his research is being performed. For example, a student working in Plant Physiology might require a course in the Department of Biochemistry, or an entomological student one in the Department of Zoology.

At present he can take such a course without writing the examination and without credit. Otherwise he may elect it as a minor, which would hardly be in order in cases where but a single course is involved. The opinion was expressed that it should be possible to require a student to take courses in cognate subjects as an integral part of their work, without having to elect them as a minor, substituting such a course, if necessary, for one given in their own department. It was pointed out, however, that this end is effected in certain cases by simply listing such courses in the departmental announcement (see Course D. Department of Animal Industry). To cover cases not specifically provided for, a clause to the following effect might be inserted in the Announcement.

"Where desirable, the student may take courses in cognate subjects, offered by departments other than that in which his research is being performed and such courses will be considered as a part of his major work."