

Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to—

The Secretary,
War Office,
Adastral House,
Victoria Embankment, E.C.,
and the following number quoted.

107/Gen.No./2542 (S.D.8.)

D. Nicholson
War Office,

~~Adastral House,~~
Cornwall House,
~~Victoria Embankment,~~
Stamford Street
E.C.

London, S. E. 1.

12th March, 1920.

Sir,

I am directed to bring to your notice the attached Regulations for Army Certificates of Education, which are to come into effect on 1st July, 1921, and to ask that the Special Army Certificate may be accepted as exempting from the Matriculation Examination those successful candidates who may wish to pursue their further studies in your University.

This privilege has already been accorded and has been largely used since the Armistice in connexion with all the Universities and with other learned bodies in the United Kingdom; and application is being made for a continuance of the privilege under the more stringent conditions and safeguards which normal circumstances make possible and desirable.

The first examinations held under the conditions heretofore approved have furnished the War Office with valuable data which have been carefully noted and studied; and a standing Departmental Committee, strengthened by officials drawn from outside the War Office who are experienced in University and other responsible examination procedure, has been engaged in revising the syllabus and in perfecting the means for standardising, safeguarding and centralising in the War Office, all future examinations and awards for this Certificate.

The Regulations herewith enclosed have been designed with a view to enable soldiers to use the opportunities afforded by their service with the colours for the purpose of acquiring an education in successive steps not less effective than that which they could have obtained in civil life. It is expected that by this means a substantial number of men will be in a position on their discharge to pass to the Universities and other learned bodies well prepared for more advanced or specialised studies.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

B. Nicholson -
Please return this with answer to Adams
Gorell
Asst. Dir. (Education)
for Director of Staff Duties.

The Vice-Chancellor,
McGill University,
Montreal,
CANADA.

And call it to hand with the H.P.A. that James call it P.S.