Home ec at UNB: it does exist

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"What is your image of the Home Ec. Department at UNB?"

No other viewpoint question has brought to light such valuable implications to broaden horizons and serve as a learning experience to benefit our fellow UNB students.

As part of an "awareness tactic," this viewpoint question was published in a previous issue of the Brunswickan at the request of the Home Economics students. This article is an attempt to create a realistic image of who and what we really are.

We are a section of the Division of Vocational Education under the faculty of education, located at Marshal d'Avray Hall. With the addition of modern facilities and

recent renovations, the students benefit from daily use of three labs located in the east wing of the building. The nutrition and textile lab has much to offer in the way of

advanced equipment, enough to challenge most chemists. The sewing lab contains sewing equipment of almost of every kind, ranging from our recent addition

of a computorized sewing machine, to a floor loom for full-scale weaving. The foods lab contains eight individual kitchen units equipped with both small and large equipment.

The UNB Home Economics program features interdisciplinary areas. The program requires that courses be taken outside the Education faculty, such as chemistry, biology, sociology and psychology. Courses are offered in

the following areas: foods, nutrition, housing, management of resources, clothing, textile science, marriage and family relations, human development, child studies and consumer education.

The content of these courses is taught by interrelating common

denominators throughout. Consumerism, economics and occupational services are but a few

examples of the practical knowledge acquired in Home Economics. We become qualified

professionals who act as consultants and educators to assist people in obtaining task-oriented

goals and in coping with the changing values, attitudes and needs of every day life. Emphasis

is placed on the social, psychological and physical needs of the human being.

The Home Economics Education Program therefore provides the student with a degree which can be utilized in many areas including teaching in the New Brunswick

school system. Community plan ning and involvement, government programs, consulting groups and organizations are just a few of examples of where we can utilize

In conclusion, Home Economics is: "A field of study that provides the necessary knowledge for

guiding and assisting each human being toward a more self-rewarding, fulfilled life compatible with society."

This article is an expression of the Home Economics student body identifying and defining our role as a part of this university, and in

communicating this we are playing our role because we do exist, but more inportantly we care!



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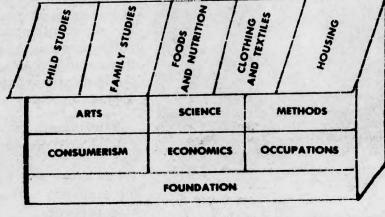
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