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My dear Dr. Allen:

I am writing you concerning a possible graduate program for students who wish to become teachers of physical education in the public schools.

We offer a degree which we say has a major in education, but it is much more a combined degree with education and another subject along the line which the student expects to teach. This combined degree permits the student to take fifteen hours of work in a department other than education writing the thesis on some problem in connection with the teaching of that subject with the remaining ten hours in education.

I am wondering whether such a program as this might be feasible in physical education. It would require that the student have available fifteen hours of worthwhile work for graduate credit in physical education. These courses should be planned, naturally, to fit the student to do his job as a teacher in the public schools. Part or perhaps even most of these fifteen hours might be in courses open to juniors and seniors as well as graduates, but I believe there should be at least a few hours in courses open to graduate students only. These might well be in the form of a seminar in some particular problems in connection with the teaching of physical education.

It is at least thinkable that this program might be started next summer by offering one or two courses for graduate credit in physical education which the student might take together with one or two courses in education. The following summer there should be available more work in physical education so that the student in the course of four summers could obtain at least fifteen hours of work in physical education.

I do not feel qualified to judge whether the department is prepared to undertake this additional work at the present time nor do I have any definite suggestions as to the type of courses to be offered for graduate credit. You and the other persons in your department are fully capable of answering those questions. I am simply submitting my suggestions for consideration by the department.