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Your Home Economics Career Training... at Texas Woman's University

One of the “firsts” of which Texas Woman’s University is most proud is its work in the Household Arts and Sciences. Home Economics was included in the first curriculum of the College in 1903, at which time this course of study was the earliest of its kind in the Southwest and one of the first divisions of homemaking in institutions of higher learning in the nation. Training in Home Economics at TWU has much to offer the young woman both as preparation for richer living and as training for a career.

The household arts and sciences provide excellent fields of learning in which the young college student may prepare for a rewarding profession. Aside from homemaking — the greatest career of all — the College of Household Arts and Sciences at Texas Woman’s University has the following curricula which prepare its students for a multitude of satisfying and remunerative careers:

HOME ECONOMICS EDUCATION

HOME DEMONSTRATION AND HOME ECONOMICS
EDUCATION

CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND NURSERY EDUCATION
COSTUME DESIGN

FOODS AND NUTRITION

DIETETICS AND INSTITUTION MANAGEMENT
COMMERCIAL DEMONSTRATION AND BUSINESS
NUTRITION RESEARCH AND FOOD TECHNOLOGY

CLOTHING AND TEXTILES

TEXTILE TECHNOLOGY

HOME ECONOMICS AND JOURNALISM

HOME AND FAMILY LIFE



A Student Teacher in Home Economics Explains a Breakfast Table Setting to a High School Class

Teaching Homemaking Is Rewarding Career

The teaching of homemaking undoubtedly is one of the most appropriate, useful, and interesting of all careers in which women engage.

Home Economics Education is a broad program, which provides preparation for teaching at the high school, junior college, or college level. At Texas Woman's University, the curriculum includes courses in Child Development, Clothing and Textiles, Home Economics Education, Family Living, Food and Nutrition, Home Management and Housing, and in related arts and sciences.

In recognition of the importance of this field, TWU began offering vocational home economics in 1918, the very first year that the program was authorized by the Federal Government. From that time until this, the College of Household Arts and Sciences at TWU has led the field in Home Economics, and has been the institution chosen by the girl who wishes to be recognized as having the best possible preparation for her profession.

Over two-thirds of the nation's public schools offer homemaking education. In Texas alone, more than 1,200 teachers of homemaking are employed. In addition, many home economics trained persons serve as members of college and university faculties.

Salaries for the homemaking teacher are good, and salary increases are granted with experience and advanced academic training. The field offers many opportunities for advancement and one always can have assurance of a good position. Vacations are attractive.

Teachers with creative ideas, enthusiasm, good judgment, and homemaking skills find their profession highly rewarding.

Home Demonstration Constitutes an Important Phase of Teaching

The home demonstration agent has entire families as her students, and the county, the district, or the entire state as her classroom. Home demonstration teaching has as its main purpose the improvement of homes and family living. This is accomplished through an educational program in homemaking and in those phases of agriculture which affect the home directly.

The home demonstration agent serves the rural family and the community. She organizes home demonstration clubs, young adult clubs, and 4-H clubs, and gives demonstrations to these and other groups of women. Moreover, local volunteer leaders receive training by the home demonstration worker or specialist, which enables them to help in the teaching of local groups.

The home demonstration agent, in addition, makes home visits, writes for the press, gives radio talks, and makes television appearances. She is assisted in her work by district and state home demon-



Typical Nursery School Scenes at Texas Woman's University

stration leaders and specialists. As she gains experience and receives additional training, she may aspire to a district or state home demonstration position.

The home demonstration agent receives a good salary and marked satisfactions in watching the development of latent talents and abilities in those whom she serves.

Child Development and Nursery Education Offer Many Professional Opportunities

Child Development and Nursery Education exemplify phases of home economics teaching for those who love small children below school age. The curricula in the Texas Woman's University College of Household Arts and Sciences related to preparation for positions concerned with the pre-school child prepare students to follow careers as teachers or directors of nursery schools, kindergartens, child care centers, hospital nurseries, settlement house nurseries, and play schools. A special curriculum in Child Development, Nursery Education, and Elementary Education meets all requirements for certification for teaching kindergarten or elementary education in the public schools.

The Child Development and Nursery Education curricula also provide training for careers as specialists in parent education, as child

welfare workers, as designers of children's toys and play equipment, as counselors for family camps and camps for pre-school children, as workers in child guidance clinics, and as pediatric aids.

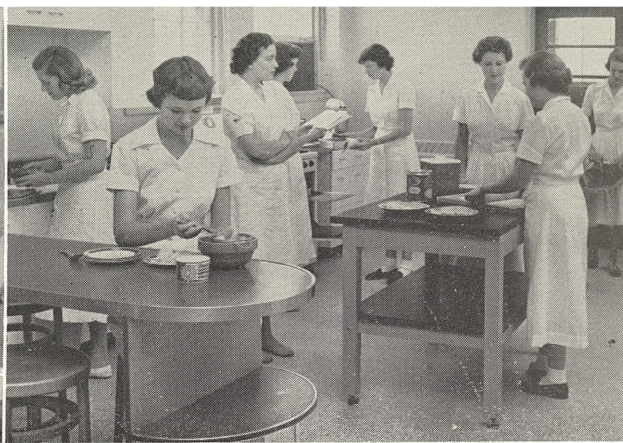
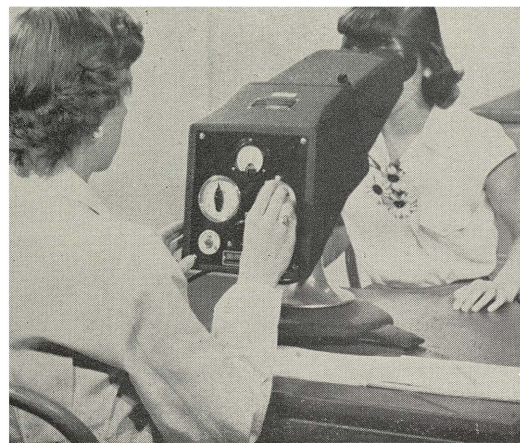
Food and Nutrition Courses Lead to Important Careers

Food and Nutrition courses not only constitute an important part of the curriculum of the student who is training to become a high school teacher or a college instructor in food and nutrition, but they serve as the major subjects in three important curricula.

These are: *Dietetics and Institution Administration*, *Commercial Demonstration and Business*, and *Nutrition Research and Food Technology*. The first of the above curricula automatically qualifies the student for a dietetic internship after graduation, at the successful conclusion of which she becomes a professional dietitian certified under the regulations of the American Dietetic Association. With

Students Conduct Nutrition Studies With Small Animals





Students Are Privileged to Participate in Nutrition Research Projects as Well as to Take Part in Food and Nutrition Classroom Activities

proper selection of electives, the two other curricula may lead to the same goal.

The young woman who majors in any one of the many phases of food and nutrition has the training necessary for a career as well as the background helpful to become a successful homemaker in common with those in other home economics curricula.

The young woman majoring in Dietetics and Institution Administration may expect to become a hospital dietitian, an administrative dietitian, a food service supervisor, or a director of food service.

The student following the Commercial Demonstration and Business sequence can look forward to a career as a director of a test

A Freshman Clothing Construction Laboratory at TWU



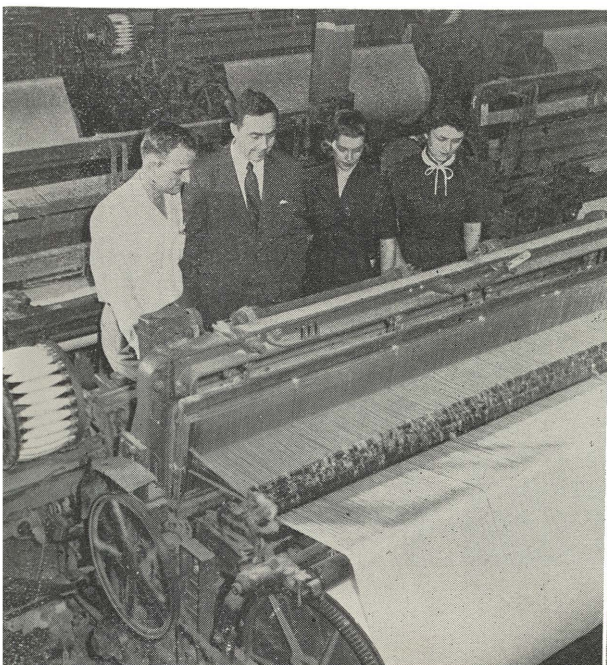
kitchen for a magazine or commercial enterprise, a food editor, a commercial food demonstrator before audiences or for television and radio, or a home economist with a public utility or other business organization. The one majoring in Food Technology and Nutrition Research will find her services in demand by university or industrial testing and research laboratories.

Unique training opportunities are afforded those in food and nutrition courses at TWU. They not only may conduct small animal nutrition demonstrations themselves, but may take part in nutrition studies; and all may observe the experts in the research laboratories as they conduct studies in human nutrition.

Costume Designers Hold Excellent Positions

The Costume Design curriculum trains young women who have a deep interest in the fashion aspects of clothing to design and construct original creations. Situated in the center of a regional market for the design, manufacture, and distribution of apparel, the Texas Woman's University major in this field has unusual opportunities for visiting industries in Dallas and surrounding communities, where building fashion into clothing has reached the proportion of big business.

(Left) Weaving Sheets of Texas Cotton as a Basis for a Research Program on the Durability of Textile Fabrics Made of Different Types of Cotton Grown in Texas; (Right) Preparing Fabrics for Textile Testing



Students in this curriculum also may participate in industrial costume design competition, made possible by cooperation with garment and textile manufacturers in the area. Numerous TWU student designs have been copied by industry.

In addition to costume design, students also may enter the field of fashion merchandising, or the wholesale buying and retail selling of clothing, clothing accessories, fabrics, house furnishings, and other goods in which fashion is an important factor.

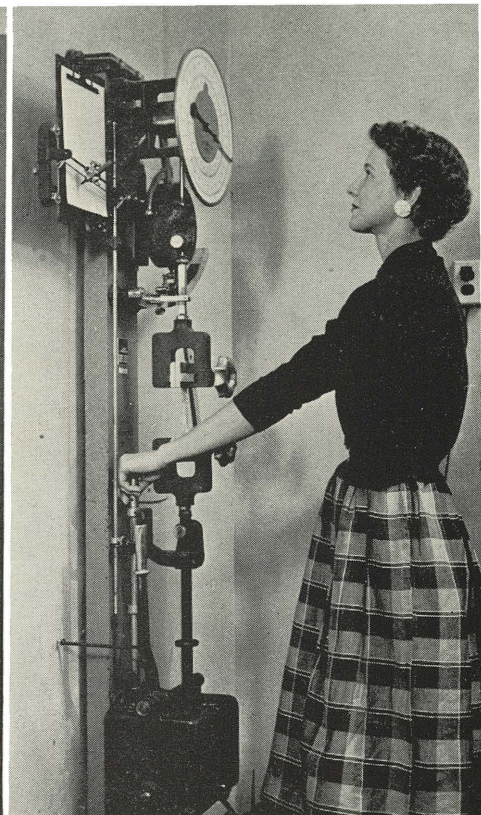
TWU students trained in this curriculum are holding excellent, well-paying positions.

Clothing and Textile Positions Attractive

Clothing and Textiles is a curriculum which appeals to the young woman who appreciates textile fabrics and enjoys converting them into attractive garments. She will find employment as a teaching specialist in clothing and textiles, or she may go into one of the clothing or textile industries. She may obtain an industrial position

**The Home Economics Classroom at Texas Woman's University Is
Informal and Designed for Close Association Between
Teacher and Student**





(Left) The Student of Costume Design Has Rich Experiences in the Design, Construction, and Modeling of Original Creations; (Right) The Student of Clothing and Textiles Gains Experience in Textile Testing, Using Techniques of the Textile Industry

as clothing consultant, or she may join the staff of a pattern company or sewing machine manufacturer. In these capacities she will have the opportunity of helping consumers put both style and durability into the clothing which they make.

If the student emphasizes textiles and textile technology in her training, she may enter a testing or research laboratory, where she will find a fascinating career. At TWU, where an active research program in clothing and textiles is in progress, the undergraduate student has the unique opportunity of using special equipment not ordinarily available and of observing how clothing and textile facts are obtained through research.

The student of Clothing and Textiles has the opportunity of observing and even of participating in research studies on fabrics made of Texas cottons — textile fabrics closely related to the economy of the State.

Home Economics-Journalism Offers Interesting Writing Career

Home Economics and Journalism is the curriculum best suited to the needs of the young woman who is preparing to write about homemaking subjects for the press. In order that she may prepare herself both in the subject matter fields with which she will deal and in the techniques of the journalist, an integrated curriculum of home economics and journalism courses, combined with related arts and sciences, has been developed. The home economics subjects cover a broad range of topics in child development; clothing, costume design, clothing and textiles; food and nutrition; housing, household equipment, and home management; and family relationships.

Excellent professional opportunities for the home economics journalist occur in the form of editorial work for a newspaper, a national woman's magazine, a home or farm journal, a trade paper, or a club paper. She also may secure employment as a writer for an advertising agency or an industrial firm, or she may prepare radio and television scripts for the use of others. If she combines courses in speech with her home economics-journalism sequence, she may find the opportunity of writing and presenting radio and television programs herself.

A Journalism Class at Work on the University Daily Paper





Besides the Main Building of the College of Household Arts and Sciences at TWU (cover), Research Activities are Conducted in a Separate Building (above). Research Projects are Conducted by Faculty Members and Graduate Students; but Undergraduates Profit From Proximity to Research, in Some Aspects of Which They May Participate.

Rewarding Careers in Home Economics Include:

- Homemaker
- Secondary School Teacher of Homemaking
- College Teacher in Special Homemaking Fields
- Nursery School Teacher or Director
- Teacher of Exceptional or Retarded Children
- Child Guidance Specialist
- Pediatric Aid
- Social Welfare Home Economist
- Designer of Children's Toys and Play Equipment
- Home Demonstration Agent or Specialist
- Food and Nutrition Consultant
- Hospital or Industrial Dietitian
- Cafeteria or Lunchroom Director
- Advertising Home Economist
- Utility or Industrial Demonstrator
- Home Service Home Economist
- Clothing or Textile Designer
- Fashion Merchandising Specialist
- Retail Store Buyer or Advertiser
- Textile Technologist
- Textile Testing Laboratory Director or Worker
- Designer of Furniture and Household Equipment
- Consultant in the Building Trades
- Magazine and Newspaper Writer on Home Problems
- Radio and Television Program Participant or Director
- Research Worker in Child Guidance and Family Living
- Research Worker in Food and Nutrition
- Research Worker in Clothing and Textiles
- Research Worker in Home Management, Housing, and Household Equipment

One of the Library Reading Rooms at TWU





(Above) Hubbard Hall, the Central Dining Unit

(Below) Two of the Freshman Dormitories: Capps and Lowry



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