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electives . . .

The decision to go to college sends you scurrying to discover what

college offers the particular course of study you're interested in. You seldom look into other phases of study in the school, but it would be wise to do so. You have elective hours in addition to those required subjects which will give your college career a piquancy and variety of flavors to make it more interesting.

Liberal Arts

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Iowa State offers a countless number of these electives which are open to all of you and are available in almost all subjects here. Rich courses in English and history broaden your knowledge of past and present happenings, true and fictional. Sociology and psychology lectures help you understand yourself and the people around you. Your own government and all its ramifications are offered in various courses and their knowledge can give you confidence when you are old enough to go to the polls. Trouble in speaking and organizing can be solved in the speech classes here. If you plan to travel after college, the language department will teach you Spanish, French, German and a reading knowledge of Scandinavian languages and Russian.

Engineering

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But Iowa State is a scientific school and opportunities are here in more technical subjects.

There are engineering and agricultural courses open to anyone interested. A course in aeronautical engineering gives you the ground instruction necessary to get your pilot's license from the CAA.

Agricultural engineering offers courses in farm mechanics, carpentry and buildings you might like to take if you anticipate marrying a student in agriculture or own a farm.

A study of the architectural style of the small house, the large house and the country home is offered by architectural engineering.

Ceramics

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Has ceramics ever interested you? A basic course in ceramic materials can be elected without previous subjects in the field. It gives you a brief history of ceramics, the method of prospecting and mining for raw materials and the preparation and forming of this material into an object ready for drying.

Agriculture

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Forestry and geology offer courses which may be of interest to students of crafts, or others interests. In forestry you may learn the identification, uses, properties and defects of different commercial woods. This course gives information on seasoning and preserving wood also. Forest products other than wood may give you ideas for making things also.

An introduction or history of geology is available for all students. Physical geology is also offered in which you study the earth, the nature and origin of minerals and the rocky landscapes and mountains.

Geology goes cultural in world-wide geography. This course considers the elements of geography, physical and cultural and their interrelation with man.

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✓ The field of horticulture has other courses open to all students besides flower arranging and the growing of small plants. One of these is fruit and vegetable gardening which teaches planning and caring for the small garden. Greenhouse methods might be another elective course if you want to have a small greenhouse as a hobby.

✓ A related field to horticulture is landscape architecture with available courses in the understanding and enjoyment of natural and designed landscapes and rural landscape design, directed to students not majoring in landscape architecture.

✓ Despite groans from most girls when physics is mentioned, meteorology is a course in the department you might elect. After a course like this, you wouldn't have to worry about being caught in the rain on a picnic—a handy talent here at Iowa State. Scientific picture-taking with practice is offered in another physics course.

✓ For the girls who are going to live on a farm and might want to raise chickens, there is a basic course in poultry husbandry which includes principles of poultry production, and some information about different breeds, picking the best chickens to raise, housing and feeding them.

✓ Two subjects in zoology which the future farmwife might elect are called—the honeybee and elementary apiculture. Neither course has any requirements except that you enroll. The first one concerns the social organization, pollinizing talent and honey production of the bee; the second describes the principles necessary to successfully handle bee colonies.

✓ Philosophy is a subject which enters into every phase of our living and every course we take here in one way or another. The Department of Religious Education teaches philosophy, plain and unadulterated. The Bible and other religions than Christianity are opened further to your understanding. The philosophical history of the world is offered, too.

✓ A knowledge of how to write has become a handy tool for a better job in all fields. There are courses in technical journalism from writing for magazines to writing for the radio.

✓ Here is the idea. When looking over a college for YOU, don't examine just your particular field. Iowa State is noted for its excellent graduates and one of the reasons is the variety of elective courses they may take. Explore the field of electives in your college. You might be surprised.