

to start a scheme which would allow individual members of teaching departments to be relieved of their teaching duties for a period of a year or less so that they could complete their research projects.

Although the Institute is conceived primarily as a research organization, some teaching will be organized within it in order to provide an outlet for research. In September 1962 the Institute will begin two regular courses in co-operation with a number of departments in the Faculties of Arts and Social Studies. There will be a two-year course leading to the M.A. degree in African Studies, and a two-year course leading to a Diploma in African Music. Particulars and admission forms may be obtained from the Director. In addition the Institute will organize special Seminars from time to time. It is likely also that the activities of the Music and Arts Division will be expanded so that it may provide instruction in music to part-time students and extra-curricular classes in music for students in Legon.

It is hoped eventually to expand library facilities to include a wide selection of Africana, to publish local source material in a form which can be used by scholars working in similar fields outside the territory concerned, and to start a training scheme to increase African participation in research and teaching programmes in African Studies.

University of Edinburgh—Centre of African Studies

THIS Centre is being established to co-ordinate and develop existing teaching and research in African Studies south of the Sahara, particularly in Economics, Geography, History, Islamic Studies, Phonetics and Linguistics, Social Anthropology, and Social Medicine. The Centre's programme of activities will include a special curriculum leading to a post-graduate qualification in African Studies. This curriculum, consisting of a main subject and two subsidiary subjects, is designed so that a suitably qualified candidate may study a particular subject in conjunction with related subjects and within an African context. A Seminar organized on inter-disciplinary lines will form part of this curriculum and this and further lecture courses dealing more generally with the African field will be open to the non-specialist.

The Centre will have its own Library, including periodicals and official pamphlets and reports, and the University Library and other special facilities for study and research will be available to visiting scholars as well as to the general student body of the University.

The formal opening of the Centre will be marked by an International Seminar on Urbanization in African Social Change to be held from 4 to 7 January 1963.

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