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WRS ED

Year I

Follow-up on the Muslim students' request for a prayer room - Representative stated that the 2nd semester schedule is less busy and the students have more time between the classes to pray, added that he will check if there is any room in DS2, 3 or 4 available

Histology - Representative summarized the good cooperation between students and Prof. Kmiec, stated that the Prof. was open to students' requests to provide sample midterm questions, post seminar slides on extranet and hold the quizzes at the end of class [instead of beginning of class].

Year II

Follow-up on the communication/working relationship between Tutor and Representative of 2nd year - Representative stated that since the last WRS meeting the Hepatitis B vaccination has been properly scheduled and that the Tutor is posting information in the proper section of the extranet. However, the Representative added that the Tutor's written and verbal communication still needs improvement.

Year III - no new business to report

Year IV - Representative was not present

Year V

Follow-up on the search for a new Tutor of the year - Representative stated that the previous Tutor of the Year [Małgorzata Świerkocka-Miastkowska M.D. , Ph.D. - Dept. of Radiology] has been officially removed by Vice-Dean Dudziak. However, to this day no other teacher has agreed to take on this role.

Dr. Stefaniak [Dept. of Surgery] has stated in class that the final exam "might" be in an electronic form - Representative asked for help with finding out whether such change can be made during the academic year.

follow-up since the meeting - at the meeting of the Planning and Curriculum Commission, Dean Siebert stated that no such proposal has been submitted by the Surgery Dept. Prof. Sledzinski agreed that the e-exam is currently an idea and an official proposal will be submitted in the future.

follow-up since that meeting - students of Year III had their re-sit Introduction to Surgery final exam provided in an electronic form [students took the test on a computer designated by the Dept, questions appeared on the screen etc.]

Problems with Departments scheduling classes/seminars during the semester break

Year VI - Representative was not present

ED-wide issues:

1. Facultative courses - students of different years have same complaint that the Dean's Office staff has not informed them that the rules regarding the facultative courses are going to be so strictly enforced. Students are asking if it is absolutely necessary to submit a request for conditional admission if the only failed course is a facultative course. Students also worry that each year has a different schedule and that they may not be able to register for the facultative course that they must repeat due to schedule conflicts with a mandatory course in the same year.

Follow-up since the meeting - Dean Siebert stated that students must request a conditional admission even if only a facultative is failed. Also stated that in case of schedule conflicts between a mandatory course and a repeat facultative course, student must write a letter to the Vice-Dean and each such case will be reviewed.

2. Combined MD/PhD Program - for the last 3 years, students from US and Canada complain that their Recruiter [Prof. Krejza at University of Pennsylvania] has been advertising verbally and in writing a combined MD/PhD program that de facto does not exist at the MUG:

<http://www.programmd.com>

There are students who applied to MUG specifically because of the promise of such program.

At least one student left MUG due to the fact that the combined program is not offered.

Decided to meet with Prof. Limon, coordinator of the MUG PhD Program and get clarification about the PhD opportunities for ED students.

3. Clinical rotations in the US and Canada - Year I Representative noticed that the MUG does not have any working relationships with medical schools in the US or Canada. Because of this, ED students are not able to apply for clinical rotations. Such rotations are required to gain experience as well as to apply into a competitive residency program in the US or Canada.

Representative has already discussed this issue with Vice-Dean Biernat at the 1st semester Didactic Meeting and during this semester will give a presentation about this issue to the Dean, Rector and Heads of Clinics.