

March 15, 1993

Dr. Willie V. Bryan, Vice-Provost  
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Dear Dr. Bryan:

I have been suspended without due process. According to the Student Guidebook 1992-1993 and the Radiologic Technology Departmental Student Policies and Guidelines, a student is suspended after being on probation. I was not on probation. It also states that the Dean will notify the student with provisions for re-admission. I received no provisions, nor was I told the duration of suspension.

I feel I have been discriminated against due to my national origin. From the beginning of the interview process this was evident when Professor Curcio asked me if someone tells you, " 'You bet you!,' What does that mean?". I realize I have an accent, but when she later told me, "Your bedside English with patients is not good enough." I was insulted. I graduated from an American high school and I have a bachelor's degree in business with a 2.8 gpa.

I was told from the Admissions Office from the onset that I did not have to take the TOEFL. The Admission's Office gave me a document to that effect. I later turned this document into Professor Curcio in the Radiologic Technology Department. Professor Curcio wrote on my acceptance letter that I would have to take the TOEFL and score 550, and if I failed to do so, she would re-evaluate my case at the end of the semester. Since I challenged that requirement, I feel I have been discriminated against through disparate treatment. I have been harassed. I have been subjected to unfair grading practices particularly in my Positioning Class.

Some of the students in my class (1992-94 Radiologic Technology) do not have some of the prerequisite courses, but they are allowed in the program with Professor Curcio's approval. One student, Dawn Robinson, was allowed to stay in the program even though she entered the program on probation and earned two "D" grades in her first semester. This is another form of disparate treatment. According to Professor Nickles, Professor Curcio is the only person who determines who stays in the program.

I would like to have satisfactory closure with this grievance and be allowed to come back as a student in good standing in the fall, 1993, semester.

Sincerely,



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