

Desire  
H. Espay  
9/9/92  
Agreed no relief (see letter)  
it is justified

ARGUEMENTS FOR LIFTING "ZERO GRADE"  
FOR NOT WEARING A BELT TO THE CLINICAL SITE

Addendum # 1

Mr. Tyon delivered to me  
Thursday 9/3/92 + we  
disc. it briefly (see my  
comments in pencil on  
margin.)

Told him Mr. Espay had  
my full support in this  
matter and that he (Tyon)  
should try to approach Mr.  
Espay as a source of  
experience and  
learning, not as  
an advisor  
to  
9/3/92

I. PRIMARY ARGUEMENTS

- A. Nowhere in the "Policies and guidelines for students in the Department of Radiologic Technology" does it state that wearing a belt to the clinical site is a policy or guideline.
- B. According to the Clinical Rotation Observation Record, the "zero" grade is "RESERVED FOR SEVERELY DEFICIENT PERFORMANCE WITH RESPECT TO ATTENDANCE; PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIOR; PROFESSIONAL APPEARANCE; AND PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIPS WITH PATIENTS, PEERS, AND SUPERVISORS IN CLINICAL ROTATIONS." I cannot see how one can interpret not wearing a belt for a short period of time to be severely deficient in professional appearance.
- C. "The departmental rules and regulations concerning personal appearance are based on two fundamental requirements of the clinical environment. These are: (1) safety of the patient, student, and clinical personnel, and (2) maintenance of patient confidence." I lost no confidence from the patients, nor was our safety ever in jeopardy. I did not harm, disregard, or mistreat any patients directly or indirectly.
- D. Along with many classmates, I was highly visible through the fall semester of 1991 and spring semester of 1992 without a belt in the clinical sites--unaware and uncorrected.

II. INCIDENTAL ARGUEMENTS

- A. I do not believe that this miscommunication warrants a lowering of my grade by one letter. I was not being deliberately defiant.
- B. This lowers my G.P.A. This significantly hampers my progress for continued education after graduation. This is my career we are dealing with.
- C. This doesn't show to me a fulfillment of departmental objectives by lowering my grade for temporarily not wearing a belt while I adjust to the new clinical coordinator.
- D. This grade of a "C" does not accurately reflect my quality of work at the hospital. I have personally been told that I am one of the best students in this program at the clinical site by employed radiographers. I feel this "zero" grade for not wearing a belt is unwarranted and unfair.