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NURSING STUDIES, FRASER LODGE,

19th July, 1982.

Professor P.H.S. Silver,
Department of Anatomy,
The Middlesex Hospital Medical School,
London W1P 6DB.

Dear Professor Silver,

re: Anatomy Lectures for B.Sc. Students in Nursing Studies.
Middlesex Hospital/Bedford College.

I am writing to you in relation to the 12 lectures (six sessions) of Anatomy which your department provided for our students during the 1981/82 academic session.

We hope that this arrangement can continue for the 1982-83 session and wondered whether they could be given for the first six weeks on Wednesday mornings, starting October 24th. If this is totally unacceptable, would it be possible to use any other Wednesday morning during the first and second term? I take it that the place of the venue is as before, the Dissecting Room, Windeyer Building.

Looking forward to hearing from you,

Yours sincerely,

Marion Ferguson,
Director of Nursing Studies.

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24th August, 1982.

Professor Bernard Wood,
Department of Anatomy,
The Middlesex Hospital Medical School,
London W1P 6DB.

Dear Professor Wood,

B.Sc. course in Nursing Studies
Middlesex Hospital / Bedford College

The above course has been in operation for only one year and, as part of its physiology unit, the Middlesex Hospital Medical School, under Professor Silver, has taught a small course on anatomy. This consisted of 12 lectures (covered in six two-hour sessions) and covered the following topics:-

1. the circulatory system
2. the respiratory system
3. the alimentary canal
4. the genito-urinary system and pelvic viscera
- 5/6. the nervous system.

It was my understanding that this was an on-going arrangement and I wrote to Professor Silver on 19th July to confirm its renewal. I had no reply and have just today discovered that Professor Silver has in fact retired, and it was suggested I should write to you as his successor.

As our timetable arrangements are now almost complete, the only time available now is Wednesday mornings, starting October 24th, but I should be most grateful if you could suggest someone to replace Professor Silver for teaching our new intake of students for six sessions in the autumn/lent term, as this is a necessary requirement for the first year of the physiology course here.

Yours sincerely,

Marion Ferguson,
Director of Nursing Studies.

SOCIOLOGY DEPT., FRASER LODGE,

5th November, 1981.

Professor P.H.S. Silver,
Department of Anatomy,
The Middlesex Hospital Medical School,
London W1P 6DB.

Dear Professor Silver,

Thank you for your letter of 30th October.

I think there must have been a misunderstanding as I did not wish to reduce the number of anatomy lectures to be given to the Nursing Studies students - I simply was not sure how many had been agreed upon. I am very pleased you can give the 12 lectures in the six sessions suggested by you, and confirm the dates for these as follows:-

2.00-4.00 p.m. - November 16th, 23rd, 30th
January 18th, 25th
February 1st

(In the Dissecting Room, Windeyer Building).

I have given the students the details of your book on Introductory Anatomy and suggested they acquire a copy.

Yours sincerely,

Marion Ferguson,
Director of Nursing Studies.



PHSS/EMM

30th October, 1981

Mrs. M. Ferguson,
Director of Nursing Studies,
Bedford College,
Regent's Park,
London.

Dear Mrs. Ferguson,

I understood when I wrote my letter of the 1st of June, 1981 that you required twelve anatomy sessions. I now understand that you wish to reduce this to six. There are six topics indicated in that letter and we will have to allot one lecture for each of them.

The topics are:-

1. The circulatory system
2. The respiratory system
3. The alimentary canal
4. The genito-urinary system and pelvic viscera
- 5&6. The nervous system

The Oxford University Press have recently brought out an Introductory Anatomy book by Professor Green and myself. I very much hope that you will agree that the students should have a copy. They will not need to read it all but if they read the sections covered by my lectures, I think it will be possible for them to have a meaningful course rather than one which is so brief that they may not get much out of it at the end of the day.

Yours sincerely,

P.H.S. Silver

*Introduction to Human
Anatomy: Oxford Med. Publications
Hearts £12.50: Green & Silver.*

5th October, 1981.

Professor P.H.S. Silver,
Professor of Anatomy,
Middlesex Hospital Medical School,
Mortimer Street,
London W.1.

Dear Professor Silver,

Anatomy Lectures: B.Sc./S.R.N. in Nursing Studies:
Middlesex Hospital/Bedford College

I am writing to find out how many lectures you intend to give for the above course, the length of each lecture, and the day of the week which would be most suitable for you during the second and third terms of the coming session. I should be grateful if you would let me know this as soon as possible so that I can work out a suitable timetable for the **above**.

Yours sincerely ,

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Marion Ferguson,
Director of Nursing Studies

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Could you please let me have a copy of the letter in which Professor Silver stipulates the number of hours he was prepared to teach on Anatomy. I think it is 12 hours and Professor Hobbiger suggested yesterday that this really is not very much.

27 February 1981

Miss C Clamp

Principal Nurse Tutor
Middlesex Hospital School of Nursing
Foley Street
London
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Dear Cynthia

Now that I have presented the outline of the course to the nurse tutors at the Middlesex, and that the course has been approved by the University Senate with minor alterations, we need to be thinking about your contribution to the course in terms of that half of your working period that you said you had available.

I would be interested to hear your suggestions and that is why I am writing - it should give you some time to think about it all. From where I stand, but that may not be what you are thinking about and I am pleased to stand correction, what I would like you to think about are the objectives for novices - that is very young and unsophisticated nursing students who should be spending their first two terms out in the community - partially to go around with the district nurse, partially to find out what a health visitor does, partially to find out what a health clinic is about, partially to do their own investigations about facilities, availabilities and mediating institutions related to health care in relation to small districts, partially to find out how people react to their own illness problems. Then I wonder whether you have had a look at the core course and whether you could teach some of it especially the parts with some of the daily living activities. If this is so, I wonder whether you could be thinking about the literature that the kids need to read, hopefully as much researched based as possible, so that I can let the librarian have a reading list to get the material, and the secretary the reading list for photocopying for the students. Coupled with the lectures we might be having to think up appropriate measuring experiences, so that the students themselves will learn to understand the value or not of observations in terms of patterns.

This is just a preliminary - and I am just putting out some ideas - so that you too can start thinking.

The other Bedford post has been advertised, I do not know whether you have applied - and someone should be in the post next October. That person will then become involved in the planning for the second year - the detailed planning.

Best wishes.

MARION FERGUSON
DIRECTOR OF NURSING STUDIES