

Notes from the meeting with students - representatives of the English class - Monday, 25th of October 2010

Assoc. Prof. MUDr. Roman Šmucler, CSc. met with representatives of 1 - 5 English class; subject Practical Dentistry, at the day of 25th October 2010.

Total 12 students participated in the discussion. Representatives of student's self - government were also presented. Meeting lasted from 17.00 to 18.15 p.m.

They were evaluated the start of teaching year positively and most problem free in history thanks to teacher's approach and active student's self - government. Teaching was improved in many sub-departments. Even so, students of 1st faculty of medicine addressed some problems, and they asked to solve them.

Students would like to have more lectures and practices in higher grades.

We explained to them, that this is not possible now, because we have to change the entire accreditation to fulfill it. But we will try to solve the suggestions during new accreditation. We appeal students for using the possibility of individual treating assistance in after-hours, after the individual agreement with the teachers. We recommend to find training possibilities in other clinics in Prague or in home country.

Lack of patients in some areas (prosthodontics) – Department of Dentistry offers treatment by students actively – Acceptance of students is naturally limited in treatments which are paid (currently prosthodontics). Students are requested to try acquire patients from their neighborhood.

Language skills of teachers are improved but students suffer from insufficient English of instructors and nurses - a legitimate request. Lead of English class parallel will required for AP staff improvement of language skills due to a better salary bonuses they have. It has to be improved at least in summer semester otherwise staff will be replaced. This decision was presented to the staff on meeting immediately (27.th of 10th). All the departments' heads were informed about that.

Some teachers use in lectures presentations in Czech language – a legitimate request. This kind of teaching is prohibited immediately. The problem was presented to the head of the clinic and all the departments heads were informed about it. If the situation repeated, students are asked to inform Head of AP.

Students consider the problem of shortage of textbooks and study materials made by teachers - an explanation is that our teachers must upgrade texts in Czech language particularly and quantity of literature in English is sufficient. Preferred textbooks were selected. But if the teacher requests specific data to our faculty - different classification, methods etc., then he must present his request to students in the form of e-learning or provide electronic versions or prints.

Another meeting with student will be realized at the beginning of spring semester. Students have e-mail addresses of the Head of English class parallel. All problems can be consulted immediately, appointments are possible continuously.

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