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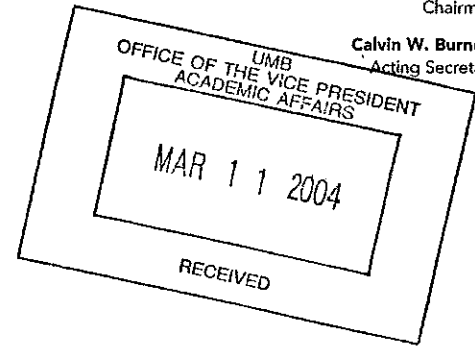
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March 8, 2003

Dr. Malinda B. Orlin
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Dear Dr. Orlin:

Thank you for your letter clarifying the areas of concentration with the Master of Science in Nursing program at the University of Maryland, Baltimore. The Commission and the University agree on the areas of concentrations, and the Commission academic program inventory will soon reflect all of the areas of concentration presented in your letter.

Again, thank you and Dr. Patricia Gonce Morton for all of your help. I wish you both continued success.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Kiphart, Ph.D.
Senior Education Policy Analyst

cc: Dr. Patricia Gonce Morton, UM,B
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February 17, 2004

Dear Dr. Kiphart,

Enclosed is a letter from Dr. Patricia Morton, Assistant Dean for Master's Studies at the University of Maryland Baltimore School of Nursing. In that letter she describes the evolution of the areas of concentration in the Nursing Master of Science program at UMB. I have met with Dr. Morton and others at the School of Nursing and concur with their interpretation.

If you have any questions, Dr. Morton and I would be happy to meet with you. Please let us know if you need more information to clarify the areas of concentration.

Thanks for your help with this.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Malinda B. Orlin".

Malinda B. Orlin, Ph.D.
Vice President for Academic Affairs

Cc: Dr. Patricia Gonce Morton, School of Nursing
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TO: Dr. Malinda Orlin
Vice President for Academic Affairs
Dean of the Graduate School

FROM: Dr. Patricia Gonce Morton *PGM*
Assistant Dean for Master's Studies

DATE: February 16, 2004

RE: Clarification of areas of concentration

I am writing to clarify and update the list of areas of concentration for the Master of Science in Nursing Program at the University of Maryland Baltimore. Currently, ten areas of concentration are listed in the Maryland Higher Education Commission Academic Program Inventory. These include:

Community Health Nursing: This area of concentration is currently offered.

Primary Care: This area of concentration is currently offered

Maternal Child Health: This area of concentration has expanded in recent years to meet the educational needs of students and to be responsive to market demands. Therefore, the general name "Maternal-Child Nursing" has been replaced with the specific areas of concentration in that field. These areas of concentration include: Pediatric Nursing, Family Nurse Practitioner, and Nurse Midwifery. We have, with MHEC and USM approval, deactivated the Women's Health Nurse Practitioner concentration and the Neonatal Nurse Practitioner concentration effective fall 2004.

Medical-Surgical Nursing: This area of concentration also has expanded in recent years to meet the educational needs of students and to be responsive to market demands. Therefore, the general name "Medical-Surgical Nursing" has been replaced with the specific areas of concentration in that field. These areas of concentration include: Trauma, Critical Care, and Emergency Nursing; and Oncology Nursing.

Psychiatric Nursing: Adult and Child: This area of concentration is currently offered.

Administration: This area of concentration is currently offered.

Gerontological: This area of concentration is currently offered.

Policy: We have with MHEC and USM approval, deactivated this area of concentration effective for the fall of 2004. Elective courses will be offered in health policy, but it will no longer be an area of concentration.

Teaching: We have deactivated Teaching as an area of concentration and instead offer a series of elective courses in Nursing Education/Teaching.

Nursing Informatics: This area of concentration is currently offered.

Two new areas of concentration have just received approval from MHEC and USM. These include: Nurse Anesthesia and Clinical Research Management.

In summary, the **current areas of concentration** offered by the School of Nursing include:

Community Health Nursing
Primary Care
Pediatric Nursing
Family Nurse Practitioner
Nurse Midwifery
Trauma, Critical Care, and Emergency Nursing
Oncology Nursing
Psychiatric Nursing: Adult and Child
Administration
Gerontological
Nursing Informatics
Nurse Anesthesia
Clinical Research Management

If you have any questions about the master's program at the School of Nursing, please feel free to contact me at 410-706-4378 or at morton@son.umaryland.edu

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