

Office of Medical Education

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lain,

I do hope this letter finds you doing well. It has been quite exciting working with you as we have hammered out the details of our partnership and the nuts and bolts of the daily running of the program.

At the outset of this program, one of Marshall's primary interests was in research collaboration to strength our research mission. We have struggled getting this collaboration off the ground so to speak. Our Vice Dean of Research has been reaching out to Dr. Fischer for approximately eight months, only just recently have they actually had a phone conversation. It is my impression that Dr. Fischer does not seem very enthusiastic about the potential for research collaborations.

Additionally, our most recent report from the Liaison Committee for Medical Education (LCME) came back in November. They decided that we were non-compliant in the area of resources and visiting students. While we believe this in part to be a product of our Graduation Questionnaire for 2016, we are also very concerned that this is a reflection of our partnership with St George's, University of London and the extra students present. As you may recall, we were placed on probation by the LCME in 2011. We are very weary of being placed on probation again.

Unfortunately, Marshall has not reaped many benefits related to our partnership. Therefore, as per our original agreement dated October 1, 2014, please let this letter serve as written notice of termination of said agreement. Our agreement states that you will have two years to finish up the program. That being said the cohort coming in August 2017 will be allowed to finish up their two years in the United States and will be the last cohort of students we will take. We do not believe it would be fair to take a cohort of SGUL students in August 2018 for just one year then have to make them return to London to finish.

Sincerely,

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