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To: Darren Ballingall
From: Lara Bardsley, Senior Psychologist
Date: 5th May 2010
RE: Bryan Botterill
Student number: s3168318

I am writing at the request of Bryan Botterill to provide information from the Counselling Service pertinent to his request for Special Consideration.

I have seen Bryan on three occasions at the RMIT Counselling Service on the 21st April, 28th April and 5th May 2010. On the basis of these sessions, it is my professional opinion that Bryan is suffering from a Severe Clinical Depression which has impacted markedly on his capacity to study, affecting his concentration, his motivation, self esteem and class attendance. We have begun regular counselling for his depression and he will also be having a medical assessment for depression with the possibility of biochemical support. With weekly support and on-going counselling it is likely that Bryan's mood disorder will improve and his capacity to complete his studies to his ability may also improve considerably. If necessary, I will support Bryan to access the Disability Liaison Unit for Equitable Assessment and support for his Depression in the future.

Please utilize this information for the purpose of Special consideration only.

If you require further information, please feel free to contact me on the number below. I have obtained Bryan's permission to discuss his situation in relation to this letter.

Kind Regards,


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