Dear Fellows,

The course is going quite well. You have learned quite a lot and be patient, we are are almost done. Although I wish I did not have to write anything negative, I am sorry but this time I am obliged to.

Let me remind each and everyone of you that the schedule for the sessions has been posted since January of 2009 and that the sessions are held on Tuesdays from 6-8 pm. Why do I say this:

1- I have noticed that for some of you the time of start of the sessions is moving further and further and now it is almost CST. We start at 6 pm sharp. It is important to show up on time, because usually I give some important announcement and also because to me missing the beginning of any lecture (like a movie), it is like missing the whole thing. We all have clinic duties, traffic jams etc... please make every effort to show up on time.

2- Attendance to the lectures is not optional. All participants have to attend at least 80% of the scheduled sessions. A few of you are close to maximizing this quota and some have already. (BTW if you have, you will be receiving a separate letter.) The rules of the course apply to everyone, no exceptions whatsoever will be granted.

3- Since your projects must be going well, regardless if you can or cannot present at the SGEA meeting, I would like to have an update of your project and what better way to have it than to show what you have with an abstract. Please have it ready by December 8th.

4- Next session will be held in Starke at the usual place. We will have a live Pro vs. Con debate of technology and computers in Med. Education. The articles are posted on our webpage (http://mef.med.ufl.edu/). You will be expected to read the articles before; I will divide you into two groups Pro and Con (you do not know which group you will be assigned until when you get to Starke, this way I get you to read both sides of the debate); once there, you will have some time to discuss among your group and then each group will have a spokesperson that will present their conclusions in no more than 12 minutes and then the discussion (and hopefully friendly and polite fireworks) will start.

Sincerely yours,

Felipe Urdaneta