

International Education Committee
Minutes of the September 21, 2018 Meeting

Present: Gareth Barkin, Debbie Chee, Eowyn Greeno, Nick Kontogeorgopoulos, Andrea Klyn, Sunil Kukreja, Kavan Ossentjuk, Roy Robinson, Rokiatou Soumaré, Matt Warning, Anna Wittstruck, Sheryl Zylstra

Chair Diane Kelley was unable to attend and Gareth Barkin served as her temporary replacement. He convened the meeting at 11:00 AM.

Agenda Item 1. Discussion of minutes from Sept 7 meeting.

M/S/P The minutes were approved.

Agenda Item 2. Announcements

Meeting dates this semester (all Fridays, 11-11:50):

Sept 21

Oct 5, 19

Nov 2, 16, 30

Minute-taking order:

Nick Kontogeorgopoulos (did Sept 7)

Matt Warning (Sept 21)

Anna Wittstruck (Oct 5)

Sheryl Zylstra (Oct 19)

Rokiatou Khafif Soumaré (Nov 2)

Agenda Item 3. Review of charges and creation of subcommittees

Charge 1: Complete work from AY 2017-2018, including:

1a. Finalize the *Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Brochure* and finalize evaluation criteria for reviewing sexual assault response.

Subcommittee: Debbie Chee, Andrea Kly, Carmen Eyssautier, Diane Kelley, Kavan Ossentjuk

The AY 2017-2018 subcommittee completed the *Sexual Assault Prevention and Response* card and were near completion of the associated brochure. The AY 2018-2019 subcommittee will update the language in the brochure and finalize the evaluation criteria for reviewing sexual assault response.

1b. Develop recommendations for how Puget Sound can best recruit, welcome and support international students. Work with the appropriate offices and groups to implement these changes.

At our next meeting, the committee will review the report of the subcommittee that worked on this charge and will, if appropriate, create a subcommittee to continue this work.

Charge 2: Develop guidelines for faculty who wish to incorporate short-term study abroad programs into their courses.

Subcommittee: Nick Kontogeorgopoulos, Gareth Barkin, Roy Robinson, Sunil Kukreja

Among other tasks, the subcommittee will inquire with Julie Christoph to determine if summer study abroad programs associated with on-campus courses could earn .5-1 units credit, perhaps as experiential learning courses.

Charge 3: Continue to examine the causes of the disparity in first-generation and historically underrepresented student participation in study abroad. Review and implement recommendations (2017 IEC Final Report) to reduce that disparity.

Subcommittee: Matt Warning, Anna Wittstruck, Roy Robinson, Kavan Ossentjuk, Rokiadou Soumaré

The subcommittee will continue this work. Roy Robinson presented data on the degree to which participation in study abroad aligns with the composition of the student body. A committee member suggested that the subcommittee consider the model of Skidmore College, a leader in achieving high participation of first-generation and historically underrepresented students in study abroad.

Charge 4: Establish criteria for distribution of funds for faculty development of programs and student support (to defray costs of these programs, which do not permit the application of financial aid).

This charge will be addressed by the subcommittee for Charge 2.

Charge 5: Examine a potential proposal for how study abroad application criteria could apply to Running Start students.

The IEC will take this up charge if time permits.

Charge 6: Examine the potential use of DigiCation e-portfolio software amongst students studying abroad. (time permitting)

Subcommittee: Sheryl Zylstra, Nick Kontogeorgopoulos, Eowyn Greeno, Gareth Barkin

Agenda Item 4. Consideration of Karl Fields' revised proposal for the Fujian Fields short-term study abroad program.

The committee commended Professor Fields for the completeness of his responses to the clarification questions we sent him following our initial consideration of his proposal. We also appreciated his openness to creating a .25 unit spring course to allow students who participate in his program to reflect about their experiences.

The committee noted that the titles associated with the leadership of this program in the existing documentation could lead to confusion and recommended that the title "Director" be assigned to Professor Fields alone.

The committee applauded Professor Fields inclusion of local "student buddies" in the program, but also asked that he incorporate collaborative assignments that would make local participation a substantial component of engaging the material.

M/S/P The committee approved this program.

Agenda Item 5. Consideration of Denise Glover's proposal for a field study component to SOAN 225, Asian Medical Systems

The committee began consideration of this proposal and will send Professor Glover a request for clarification and elaboration on several issues.

The committee adjourned at approximately 11:50 AM.

Minutes submitted by Matt Warning.