

International Education Committee

Minutes

April 27, 2016

Members attending: Alva Butcher, Lisa Ferrari, Lea Fortmann, Kriszta Kotsis, John Lear (co-chair), Eric Orlin (co-chair), Mike Spivey, Kazu Suzuki

Lear called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

The committee approved, with minor changes, the minutes of its April 13, 2016 meeting.

Committee members reviewed and revised Lear's draft of the IEC final report to the Senate. Most of the suggested changes were small and concerned phrasing or nuance, rather than being substantial modifications to content. The committee agreed that most of its charges should be ongoing; and discussed possible overlap between IEC charges and charges to the study abroad work group (SAWG II) that Dean Bartanen plans to convene next semester. The final report will request that the IEC be re-charged with these matters in 2016-2017:

Charge 1: With respect to the issue of sexual violence:

- a. *Work with the Office of International Programs (OIP) and the Dean of Students office to determine a course of action regarding study abroad programs that have reported that they do not have a sexual violence response protocol, and those that have not responded to requests for information.*
- b. *Assess the efficacy of safety information provided to students before they study abroad, including sexual violence support and reporting procedures and;*
- c. *The efficacy of Puget Sound Reporting and response processes should an incident of sexual violence occur. This will also be in partnership with OIP and the Dean of Students office.*

Charge 2. Continue to review the current list of study abroad programs and eliminate expensive programs that do not provide something distinctive (e.g. language, discipline, or geography).

Charge 3. Work with faculty to develop exchange programs with colleges and universities abroad. [The committee expects work on this charge to be slow and incremental, but affirms its importance.]

Charge 4. Make recommendations for improving the rate of participation in study abroad based on survey data collected in 2014-2015. [Committee members agreed that this charge would need to be revised to include working in conjunction with SAWG II.]

Charge 5. Work with faculty to develop in-house study abroad programs.

The IEC will not request to be re-charged with this item:

Charge 6. Work with OIP to revise the returning questionnaire for study abroad students, particularly those questions that deal with the benefits of the experience. [Butcher confirmed that the questionnaire had been updated to reflect the committee's comments at a previous meeting. **M/S/P** to approve and adopt the survey titled "Assessing Learning Outcomes for Education Abroad."]

The meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m. No further meetings are planned for 2015-2016.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Ferrari

Minutes were approved, via e-mail and with one minor revision, on April 27, 2016.

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