

California State University, Long Beach
International Education Committee (IEC)
2022-2023 Annual Report

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INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE: MISSION AND CHARGE

The International Education Committee (IEC) strives to develop and sustain a comprehensive international ethos throughout the California State University, Long Beach (CSULB) campus community. The IEC promotes global literacy at CSULB by fostering the internationalization of curricula and encouraging international experiences among faculty, staff, and students.

The duties of the International Education Committee shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Promoting a collaborative effort toward a “globally-engaged campus community” as stated in the CSULB Mission Statement;
2. Proposing policies and policy revisions as appropriate related to International Education to CEPC;
3. Collaborating with colleges, departments, and the Associate Vice President for International Education and Global Engagement to encourage and facilitate interdisciplinary curricular and programmatic internationalization;
4. Providing guidance, recommendations, and advocacy for International Education;
5. Supporting faculty efforts related to International Education;
6. Contributing advice and recommendations on International Educational linkages;
7. Encouraging efforts that enhance funding for International Education-related initiatives and research;
8. Coordinating the work of International Education Committee subcommittees and working groups pertaining to International Education;
9. Submitting an annual report of the committee’s activities to the chair of the Curriculum and Educational Policies Council (CEPC).

2022-2023 IEC elected officers:

Ann Y. Kim, Chair
Ming Chen, Vice Chair

Daniel Herrera Ceppero, Recorder
Hema Ramachandran, Member at-large

Active Subcommittees of the IEC in 2022-2023:

East Asia subcommittee – Linna Li, Chair
Africa subcommittee – Uche Okafor, Chair

Evaluation Groups for the IEC in 2022-2023:

Professors Around the World
ASI Study Abroad scholarships
Semester-long study abroad programs (London, Florence, Costa Rica) faculty positions
*Internationalizing of Teaching and Learning Awards – have not returned

Priorities of the 2022-2023 IEC

- 1. Development of procedure document for internal operations**
 - a. Drafted a procedure document so that new IEC members and new executive board members can understand the workings of IEC.
 - b. Drafted document includes suggestions for 2023-2024 efforts.
- 2. Competency building**
 - a. One study abroad program development workshop was hosted in Fall 2022. Workshop recording is available on the web for asynchronous viewing.
 - b. Materials for asynchronous Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL) pedagogy certificate program developed and made available on Canvas.
- 3. Reconnection with regional subcommittees**
 - a. Connections were reestablished with the Africa subcommittee and the East Asia subcommittee after global pandemic hiatus.
- 4. Access for students**
 - a. Partnered with the Fulbright Scholarship Advisor to support students applying to the Fulbright Scholarship.

Future Development:

Support innovation – Continue to encourage CSULB faculty to incorporate Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL) pedagogy by making COIL materials available for the campus community.

Remove barriers to engagement – Develop policy recommendations around international education efforts to be considered in the retention, tenure, and promotion policy of each college that may be proposed to the faculty council of each college.

Collaborate and expand – Resume working with the East Asia subcommittee and the Africa subcommittee by supporting the subcommittees' efforts. Gauge whether the members of the IEC are interested in bringing back other subcommittees that are currently defunct: Latin America subcommittee, Middle East subcommittee, Russia and Central Asia subcommittee.

Summary:

As an Academic Senate committee consisting of faculty, staff, students, and administrators, representing the Colleges and Units of the University, the IEC convenes to bring insight into the diverse opportunities and challenges associated with international education. IEC members are the ambassadors of international education within their colleges and units. In this capacity, IEC members promote opportunities for students, such as the Gilman and Fulbright scholarships; promote opportunities for faculty, such as PAW grants and semester-long study abroad programs; and support campus efforts through reviewing applications, including ASI scholarships for students and PAW grants.

During the 2022-2023 academic year, IEC members reviewed two rounds of ASI scholarship applications, one round of PAW applications, and approved the faculty-lead recommendations for the three semester-long study abroad programs. IEC hosted an informational workshop for faculty-led study abroad programs and reconnected with the two active regional subcommittees on campus.

The annual report from the Africa subcommittee is included on the next page.



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Africa Sub-Committee

Updates

Fall 2022 & Spring 2023

Past Chari: Uche Okafor

New Chair: Cheryl Rock for Fall 2023

Members: ~12

a. Annual Fall Event: African Extravaganza 2022 - Nov 20, 12:30pm – 2:00 pm

Activities – Fashion Show, African Drumming, Short- and Long-Term Study Abroad opportunities to countries of the African Diaspora (i.e., Barbados) and African Continent, Presentations.

b. Annual Spring Event: African Distinguished Speaker Series 2023 - March 14, 12:30 – 2:00 pm, Anatol Center

Topic – Engaging Original African Religions, Spiritualities and Ethics: Enduring Insights and Options for Our Times by Dr. Salim Faraji - CSUSD

No matter how many divinities sit down to plot a man's ruin, it will come to nothing unless his chi (personal god) is there among them. Igbo proverb