

## **CSULB INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE (IEC)**

**Minutes # 4: Tuesday, February 9, 2021**

**Noon – 2:00 PM (per Zoom)**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

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Attendance: Babs Grossman-Thompson, Ann Kim, Alessandro Russo, Pei-Fang Hung, Mona Zanhour, Jeet Joshee, Heather Graham, Lesley Farmer, Kim Glick, George Martinez, Eugenia Kim, Sharon Olson, Allison Lloyd, Ming Chen, Sarvenaz Hatami, Maria Aceituno, Charles Slater, Shailesh Chandra, Flora Banuett, Alicia Del Campo, Richard Marcus, Elaine Haglund,

Guest: Catherine Jerome

Recorded by Ann Kim

**I. Administrative**

- a. Approval of December 8, 2020 Minutes : Lesley and Mona moved and second
- b. Approval of Agenda : Ming and Mona

**II. Announcements**

- a. **Jeet Joshee, Associate Vice President, International Education and Global Engagement; Dean, College of Professional and International Education**

Military Coup in Myanmar.

We have 18 international students from Myanmar. Jeet reached out to them. 2 are in the capitol – These are of concern since the military has expressed that they are considering shutting down the internet. Others are in the LB area. Some of them have reached out to their professors. One has replied with concern about his graduation. Anything you can do will be appreciated.

Deadline coming up: March 15 – If there is anything you are interested in, go to the website and apply

[https://www2.ed.gov/programs/iegpsgpa/applicant.html?utm\\_content=&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_name=&utm\\_source=govdelivery&utm\\_term=](https://www2.ed.gov/programs/iegpsgpa/applicant.html?utm_content=&utm_medium=email&utm_name=&utm_source=govdelivery&utm_term=)

The amount is different depending on short-term vs long-term activity.

Available to faculty to take students abroad.

Gilman application open – due date March 2

Advisor certification is March 9 (<https://gilmanapplication.iie.org/>)

<https://www.gilmanscholarship.org/program/gilman-mccain-scholarships/>)

Please make an announcement in your classes. Faculty play a huge role in these applications. We have gotten single-digit number of applications over the past years. They can get up to \$5000. Only available to Pell grant recipients. Gilman-McCain scholarship is for children of military members.

Question: “just wondering if there are changes to the number of international admission for AY 21-22?”

The President expressed raising the international student proportion to 10% before pandemic and there is talk of going back to that. Jeet anticipates that the competition of recruiting international students to go up, given that the east coast institutions have seen declines in enrollment. The expectation is that we’ll see this in CA around 2025 since the number of high school graduates are also expected to decline.

There is a new recruitment plan in place and this virtual environment has shown what can be possible virtually. There is no admissions criteria change.

Chancellor White agreed to changing tuition for non-residents (out-of-state and international) and SLO is trying it out as a pilot. There are conversations happening about this.

#### **b. CIE Updates – Eugenia Kim, Executive Director, Center for International Education**

International student entry: we have 80 (30 are undergrad, 50 are grad) international students spring 2021

#### **c. Education Abroad Update - Sharon L. Olson - Director, Education Abroad**

We are in a gap with the scholarship staffing. Any assistance for helping students fill out the applications will be greatly appreciated.

The Gilman scholarship is for summer 2021, fall 2021, and academic year 2021-2022

Fulbright – 9 applicants (most ever): 7 have been recommended and waiting on the host countries.

Scholarships – Sharon had a meeting with ASi and they are putting back the scholarship allocation back in their budget.

Final budget will be approved in April, no amount was shared but in the past years it has been \$50,000

The office has 1 full-time study abroad advisor and Sharon, currently. Sharon has reached out with the Career Development Center to partner with them. Someone from that office may be able to help advise students about doing internships abroad.

11 students are planning on going abroad spring 2021.

2 students have been approved to go to Japan but Japan is not admitting anyone in the country.

3 students are on their way to South Korea

3 are in Germany.

Still hoping to have study abroad programs for the summer.

**d. Richard Marcus - Director of the Global Studies Institute and the International Studies Program**

The 300-level course to go through GEGC: A roadmap forward has been established and Richard sent over an SCO.

Question: The D3 GE designation (Global issues) being considered for elimination. Any more news?

The global requirement went away 2 years ago.

The ethnic studies requirement is requiring the getting rid of the lower-division D GE. Some are suggesting to move history to C to protect D3. This is pitting humanity requirements with social science requirements. There are conversations among chairs in CLA happening right now.

Jeet, IR, GSI, and CASI (out of GA)

Investigating the effects of study abroad. Once results come in, they will be shared.

Global fellows was suspended this spring and there is a plan for Fall 2021

GSI is still working with COIL

CA – scholarship:

Barbara Doten's work

GSI will be applying for more funds

The University is working on creating a new RTP document. Now is a good time to advocate for international and global activities/work efforts in the guiding principles to get included.

Faculty Personnel B Committee is working on this RTP revision.

Budget is being worked on. Will be shared when ready

GSI will collaborate with Jeet and CDC to apply for PeaceCorps grant. Funds for Cathy (PeaceCorps recruiter)

We will have the first class of MAIA students to start in the fall. Anyone who wants more information can contact Richard. <https://www.cpie.csulb.edu/courses/master-of-arts-in-international-affairs>

**e. Lesley Farmer - Phi Beta Delta (honorary society for international scholars)**

Revising the by-laws

Feb 24 meeting to approve revisions

If you are a member, please pay your fees.

Working on a webinar on international work during the pandemic.

Reminder- The org has a peer-reviewed journal and the theme for a coming issue is International Education in the Curriculum ([phibetadelta.org](http://phibetadelta.org)).

### III. New Business

- a. Catherine Jerome: Peace Corps Recruiter, CSULB Career Development Center.  
[Catherine.jerome@csulb.edu](mailto:Catherine.jerome@csulb.edu)

The recruiter ([peacecorps@csulb.edu](mailto:peacecorps@csulb.edu)) is available to mentor lower class students to prepare to apply later and to advise graduating students with the application materials.

Numerous events coming up – see flyer.

Catherine has office hours on Wednesdays and is available for 1:1 meetings based on need.

There are over 840 CSULB alumni who have completed the Peace Corps.

Question: do you have any sense of why there are more women than men who volunteer? What is the racial makeup of the volunteers?

Gender – don't know

In 2019 - 34% were minorities (ethnic-racial; unseen id's – LGBT, disability status, age)

Who covers the cost of living expenses?

Peace Corps covers all of it, including medical and dental insurance, travel, vacation time is included.

Do you get preference for federal government jobs afterwards?

Yes.

### IV. Old Business

- a. COIL Sub-Committee: Maria Aceituno

Getting ready for a workshop series that is going to launch: one in Feb, March, April

They'll be on developing COIL partnerships, and how to develop COIL assignments

We'll have an FAQ, and the workshops are open to staff.

The Faculty Center will be hosting them. Information will be going out.

- b. IEC Sub-Committee Policy

Heather and Mona – moved to approve the policy

No opposed and no abstentions.

Meeting adjourned.