

## International Education Committee Meeting Minutes

February 13, 2018

In attendance: Tim Keirn, Terrence Graham, Mia Ellsberry, Elaine Haglund, Khue Duong, Richard Marcus, David Anglin, Sharon Olson, Christy Nellis, Hojin Moon, Kim Glick, Heather Barker, Jeet Joshee, Jessica Wilson, Bonu Lim, Michiko Takeuchi, Eugenia Kim, Leakhena Nou, Aili Malm, Pitiporn Asvapathanagul

1. Introductions
  - a. Approval of agenda
  - b. Approval of December Minutes
2. Reports
  - a. Jeet
    - o new system for travel alerts Levels 1 and 2 are low, level 3 needs presidential approval, and level 4 is generally a no-go. State department has an interactive world map that shows which shows the travel alert levels.
      - Elaine: Will this affect study abroad?
      - Terrence: Mostly no. Only level 4 alerts
    - o Jeet: If it's a level 4 country, he will be careful in advising the president. Is the risk worth taking? The system might make it easier because, for example, India is no longer entirely high risk, only certain regions of various countries.
    - o Trump revealed budget. As expected for 2019, international education is scheduled to be eliminated, which affects Fulbright program and Title 6 funding, the total for which is \$72million. Justification is that international education is not part of the Education Department. However, we have friends in Congress, and March 14-15 there is a march in DC and letter writing should begin. We are part of the lobbying efforts. Jeet will pass on the template for letter-writing to senators and congressmen.
    - o Pres Conoley approved \$50k for study abroad scholarship fund for this year. We have a total of 200k per year, and Jeet wants to continue that.
    - o Gilman scholarship- students slated for levels 3 and 4 regions will not be allowed to go.
  - b. Jessica Wilson-She is in Career Devt center to help students apply for peace corp and have proper qualification and skill set, especially math and science. Working with Terrence, Richard, CDC, and CIE, Peace Corp will have an International affairs symposium on Tuesday, February 27 as we welcome our USAID Diplomat in Residence. Reception at 5:00 in Beach auditorium. Other Peace Corp events: Meet and Greet Potluck and Peace Corp Info Session. Next deadline to apply for Peace Corp is April 1, and next big one is July 1. Will go to ASI Senate next week with 3 students to present on the work of Peace Corp  
Richard: 2 separate complementary things going on. Last year, we had a development diplomat in residence. Cheryl came for one year, last year, to set up. We were very fortunate to have won the roll as there is one West Coast and one East Coast diplomat in residence. It's usually a 3-year appointment. Alfred started last August but was not in residence until Dec, so there wasn't time for a welcome reception. Thus, Peace Corp event and intro to Alfred was planned for Feb 2018. There is no USAID recruitment, so what is this position for? Alfred has worked on reshaping and expanding this role. He will let us know about that at an IEC meeting. He wants to work with faculty and students in the areas of

international careers and international affairs. He's working on a symposium for next fall to bring diplomats here to speak and visit classes. He and Jessica will be at Career Day.

Richard: the Couris lecture is scheduled. First eminent lecture in International Affairs by Anne Bogart, who is from the global theater world. Other universities will attend. Reception and lecture will be held April 5, 5:30-8. Global fellows projects will be displayed at this event.

Tim: Amitav Acharya, UNESCO Chair at the School of International Service at the American University in Washington, D.C., will be giving a lecture. He will speak on his new book on SE Asia as the contemporary place of encounter between India and China. The lecture is on March 20.

Tim: Question for Sharon O: How many students from LBstate in Peace Corp each year? Jessica will find out.

Sharon: Annual study abroad photo exhibit was last week. Jessica spoke on Peace Corp, Linda talked about Fulbright, and a representative from the career center advised on how to highlight study abroad on a resume/cover letter.

Jessica: Peace Corp is looking for teachers. 30-40% of Peace Corp participants are teaching. Looking for people with undergrad degree and or credentialed. Tim will send out info to single subject and elementary students.

c. Terrence

1. PAW event Thurs, March 1, which will be a working lunch assessment of the first 2 years. Pres and Provost will be there. Deans and dept chairs have been invited. The purpose is to generate ideas of how PAW can connect to larger strategic objectives. Richard will talk about the global learning inventory and the tool kit for assessing internationalization: how can we assess global learning outcomes and integrate them into syllabi and department strategies.

David A: Can we read the reports?

Terrence: Yes, all of the recipients and their reports are posted on the PAW website.

Jeet added that the role of IEC is key in spreading the word for PAW and internationalization of departments.

2. New-Faculty-Led Reimbursement Policy- notification went out to Deans and Chairs and faculty members that have traveled that travel reimbursement policy has changed for international travel during fall and spring. Previously reimbursement was covered through payment through additional WTUs. This was problematic on many levels. Now, the burden is more balanced. Airline ticket and per/Diem for food will be covered. It is set at 30% of state department rate. Housing (negotiated), integral program expenses, and travel relating to classes are covered. In other words, faculty are being reimbursed for costs that they actually incur. Pushing to get budgets put in place in advance so that a judgment about what the enrollment has to be for the program to run. There will be more upfront work and admin at the end to process the reimbursement. Did a lot of internal comparisons of previous system and benchmarking with other institutions and found that this new system is very equitable.

Tim commented that this system is much more transparent. Faculty is paid, but living costs are covered...Faculty do need deadlines for presenting costs.

3. Giving Day and French American Fund- for Giving day, annual fund has included Study Abroad. We will have ambassadors at Giving Day. The \$\$ generated will go into an existing IEC fund, which, once it reaches endowment, will be used in scholarships. The French Am Fund has put together a scholarship honoring Noemi Gonzales. It is for a high level French speaker (undergrad or grad) to do a semester in Provence and do an internship in Parliament. It should be ready for Fall 2018. (Richard suggested contacting Laura and Aparna re French majors) ASI has new scholarships coming out: 4, \$1000 scholarships for students who are advocates for Intl students at CSULB. Fulbrights- 6 semifinalists, which is highest number ever. (Thanks largely to Linda Olson-Levy's work advising students). A scholar in residence in Italian-American studies will be here in Fall 2018. Jeet and Terrence were invited to an event in DC because CSULB is a top producer of Fulbright recipients. Jeet- However, we ALL need to reach out to students in regards to the Fulbrights. (Compared to some other CSUs, our numbers are low.)
- d. Sharon- ASI CSULB study abroad scholarship apps are due soon, so we will need readers. Our numbers are significantly up for summer. We will need 13 teams before the March 12 deadline for students. Faculty reader volunteers: Heather Barker, Elaine Haglund, Khue Duong, David Anglin, Leakhena Nou, Christy Nellis, Hojin Moon, Pitiporn, Eugenia Kim, Flora Banuett) Tim suggested that the Ed Abroad Sub-Committee be asked to volunteer...Rich Haysley could be asked.
- e. David Anglin-His experience was a complete affirmation of International Ed and what the IEC does. There were student-led projects, guilds, street art, protests. The internship (10-12 hours/week) included a student singing in an opera company, building publicity and income for a local newspaper, teaching assignments. 19 students from Long Beach State. Total was 40 with CSU Fullerton. PCC was also there. Students absolutely need advisement toward study abroad. Sharon emphasized that the Florence program is GE courses and internship and should be promoted

#### 4. New business-

##### a. University Affiliation Agreements

1. Naples University- first report. Flora sent an email with questions: Why is it restricted to Engineering students?
  - o Sharon: Andrea focused on Engineering because he knew that there are enough classes in English offered in that major.
  - o Flora's other question: Engineering students have to take Italian?
  - o Sharon: No. Terrence: Is Italian for beginners available? Sharon: Not customary to offer it.
  - o Tim: Which courses are offered in English? This needs to be asked of Andrea.

- Richard: The sequencing of the Engineering courses needs to be clarified.
  - Tim: Proposal needs to clearly state that it is an exchange.
  - Heather: How will longevity happen outside of personal relationship? (Often success of a program will rise and fall based on faculty engagement)
  - Tim: seems sustainable if there are enough courses in English.
  - Sharon: We need to find out if there are enough courses offered in majors such as Food Science, Public Health, and various sciences.
  - Motion was made to pass the first reading. Seconded.
  - Richard interjected that there are issues that need to be addressed before second reading and moved that the discussion be tabled until the above questions are answered by Andrea. (Tim will contact him.)
  - Terrence: Suggested that he or Sharon contact the International office at the university in Naples to communicate about the proposal.
  - Do we have to send it back to Ed Abroad sub-committee? No.
  - Tim will get the new first read/revised proposal for reading at next meeting.
3. Independent Provider- Akademie Fur Internationale Bildung (AIB)- to promote/arrange for short-term programs in Bahn, Germany. They arrange for guest speakers, site visits, housing, logistics etc. for faculty. Many programs are offered through this provider. A faculty member, Courtney?, is hoping to use AIB for 2 courses this summer to begin with.

Motion was made to waive the first reading so that Sharon can move ahead. Approved. Moved to pass the proposal. Approved.

4. CET Academic Programs: Terrence: CET has a large presence. Affiliating with them allows CSULB students to participate in their high-quality programs. Specifically, working with CET in Jordan will allow students discounts and scholarships that they would not have been entitled to otherwise.

Richard: In Jordan, he met with university and looked at a sea of providers. CSULB students studying abroad need alignment of pedagogy with CSULB. Many study abroad programs haven't been well aligned with how we train in Arabic. He is advocating for CET because it is on U of Jordan's campus, and their Arabic teaching is closer to ours. Student's social life is greatly improved because they are on campus. They have organized internship opportunities through relationships with businesses. Lang morning/internship afternoon. Need a more intensive Arabic program, which they offer. Jordan is a level 2 country and is, therefore, not risky.

David Anglin moved to waive first reading. Approved.

**Meeting Adjourned.**