Agenda
Faculty Senate International Programs Committee (IP)
Thursday, September 8, 3:30, in 140 KFA.

Call to Order.

Seating of Substitute(s).
Charlie Rader for Wes Chapin. (Wes Chapin's role is *ex officio* on this committee as the Director of the International Studies major and minor. Charlie has long taught in the programs and been on the university-wide interdisciplinary board of that acts in lieu of a disciplinary department.) Wes's substitute will be long-term, the entire year. (Wes is chairing the Faculty Senate this semester; he will be leading the International Traveling Classroom in the spring semester.

Reports
Chair (items A through E).
(A) Last year’s activities (*report sent out with this agenda*).

Major Motions
(1) Compensation for Leaders of Education Abroad Courses.
(2) Curriculum Approval of Education Abroad Courses (*more below*).
(4) The Constitution of IP as Advisory Board
(3) The Monterrey Institute of Technology and Higher Education
(8) Education Abroad Leaders Should Be Active Tenureline Faculty
(5) The UWS Salary Cap
(6) Sample Yearly Budget Tracking Inflow and Expenditures of $275 International Study Fee

See handout.

7) Oversight of Education Abroad Programs (Hangzhou China)

See charge to APP below in this report.

9) Rewarding Internationalization Efforts as a Result Prioritizing in the Strategic Plan

The committee will forward the following specific example to the Faculty Welfare Committee,

Internationalization is important in UWRF’s strategic plan and should be recognized and encouraged in retention, promotion and salary decisions as is strongly stated in UWS ACIS 7,

as an example of the general notion that

Those areas that are important in the UWRF strategic plan should be recognized and encouraged in retention, promotion and salary decisions,

and with intention of furthering discussion within the Faculty Welfare Committee on retention, promotion and salary decisions.

See handout of Statement to Faculty Welfare Committee under New Business.

Next Year’s Business
(1) Make available online the “Guidelines for Successful Education Abroad.”

See handout. (I know of one course in the pipeline now.)
(2) Consult with the Gen. Ed. Committee about streamlining the outcomes to be assessed in courses meeting the Global Perspectives requirement.
(3) Organize a gathering of faculty and staff involved with education abroad to assist in determining what is working and what is not in our internationalizing—particularly education abroad—efforts, perhaps for August or for January.
(4) Ensure that the request to raise the salary cap to adjust for inflation has occurred.
(5) Follow up on integrating IP into the curriculum process for program approval.

See charge to APP below in this report.

Future Possible Agenda Items
1. Binzhou University possibilities
2. Develop initiatives to increase the percentage of students engaged in long-term study abroad

(B) ACE Internationalizing Laboratory.

(C) Charge from 2011-12 Faculty Senate to APP: “Provide language that can be placed into the Handbook that defines the processes required for the approval of UWRF education-abroad programs (i.e. “programs,” rather than single education abroad courses, which are subject to existing approval processes), and include language that will provide an oversight role for the International Programs Committee with a target date of December 2.”

(D) Fulbright Awards.

We have had a fourth year of successful faculty Fulbright applications.

M Vonk (Physics, Nicaragua, teaching, 2009-10).
G. Scheurmann (TED, Norway, teaching, 2010-11).
P. Berg (Journalism, Bosnia, teaching-research, 2011-12). Declined.
M. Swanson (Theater, Bosnia, teaching, 2012-13). Pending.

This year we are hosting our first Fulbright international student, Rahma Al Aamri, a candidate for the M.A. in TESOL from Oman.

(E) 2011-12 Faculty Senate Charges to the IP (passed Aug. 23, 2011):
• Review the criteria used to make financial aid awards for education abroad (e.g. preferences, if any), and report/make recommendations to the Senate with a target date of September 26.
• Make available online the “Guidelines for Successful Education Abroad” with a target date of October 7.
• Consult with the General Education and University Requirements Committee about streamlining the outcomes to be assessed in courses meeting the Global Perspectives requirement, with a target date of November 18.
• Organize a gathering of faculty and staff involved with education abroad to assist in determining what is working and what is not in our internationalizing—particularly education abroad—efforts, with a target date for its organization (not implementation) of December 2.
• Organize a forum, or forums, to explore the possibility of identifying key areas of concentration/strengths in “international,” either in the form of geographic areas or topics, and report/make recommendations to the Senate with a target date for its organization (not implementation) of December 2.

Other reports?

Approval of the Minutes
The minutes of the just previous IP (June 6, 2011) were approved by an email process in June.

Old Business
None

New Business
1. Nominations for Vice Chair of IP.
2. Global Connections Advising Issues (Running Agenda Item).
   Post-experience academic credit? See email to Brent, immediately below.
   “One of the challenges we are having in INTS is that students want to use Study Abroad and International Experiences post hoc for academic credit. Can we clarify to students in all disciplines, that if they would like to use Study Abroad or International Experiences for credit in their academic programs, that they need to get prior clearance from the department and their advisor.
   “The challenge we are having in particular is with students that have participated in the Guy Healy program and a little bit with the CERS program. As far as I know there is no course attached with the Guy Healy program. Basically, university policy does not allow for post hoc academic credit. I’m wondering if a system similar to what we do with WIS in having a form for all students that states that they need to determine, in consultation with their academic advisor and appropriate departments, prior to their going on a program where the credits are going into their academic plan.”
3. Education Abroad Course Approval (Running Agenda Item). None.
4. Memo to Faculty Welfare Committee (handout).
5. When to schedule a gathering of faculty and staff involved with education abroad to assist in determining what is working and what is not in our internationalizing—particularly education abroad?
6. Is this meeting time acceptable, 3:30 Thursdays?
7. Scheduled meetings (we will drop those not needed): 9/8, 9/22, 10/06, 10/20, 11/03, 11/17, 12/01, and 12/15.
8. Discussion of Sample Yearly Budget Tracking of SA Fee.
9. Discussion of ideas brought up in July 6th UWRF Retreat (brainstorming only). Handout.