

Advisory Committee on International Programs
Meeting No. 65
November 26, 2007
12:00 to 1:45 PM
Magnolia Room, UDC

Members Present: Roberto Campo, Keith Cushman, Vidyaranya Gargeya, Eileen Kohlenberg, Tom Lambeth, Dennis Leyden, Andreas Lixl, David Nelson, David Parsons, Ceola Ross Baber, Carmen Sotomayor, Sue Stinson, and Jonathan Tudge. IPC Staff: Michael Elliott, Cindy Harden, Pamela Harrod, Madge Hubbard, Lyn Lawrance, and Penelope Pynes. Malmö visitors: Knut Bergknut, Anna Carlsson, Lena Karlbrink, and Tom Nilsson.

1. Review of the Minutes. The minutes from the meeting of October 18, 2007 were approved.

2. Updates – Lyn welcomed and introduced our Malmö visitors, UNC-EP's exchange partner. Lyn reported that IPC was very busy during the months of October and November receiving visitors from all over the world that included Macquarie University in Australia, University of Mannheim in Germany, University of Plymouth in the UK, HAN University in the Netherlands, Shanxi University in China, and the University of Oulu in Finland.

3. International and Global Studies – Roberto Campo reported that his new assistant, Yvonne Matlosz was doing well and is currently updating their website. The department is moving forward with implementing the new honorary society, Phi Beta Delta, targeted to begin in the semester of Fall 2008. The USIF Title VI Grant was submitted to receive funding in the amount of \$178,000 for the next two academic years to aid in the hiring of two visiting scholars to teach Chinese and Japanese. The department will also add eight different courses from nine different departments which will include the IGS 400 and four additional courses from Geography, Business Management and two Service Learning courses possibly in China, along with a HTM 245 course to be implemented in Taiwan.

4. LIHC – Dennis Leyden reported that LIHC had 170 registered for Spring 2008 and there is continued interest in offering two Honors Abroad Programs, one in Russia led by Kathleen Ahern and Jonathan Tudge, and one in the UK, led by Dennis.

5. Committee Reports:

a. Study Abroad: Tom Lambeth reported that in their last meeting held on Thursday, November 15, the committee reviewed three new programs. One two-week study abroad program in Germany from the Geography Department was approved, one program from the Interior Architect Department was returned for revisions, and the third program was not approved. The Committee concluded that faculty need additional guidelines to aid them in establishing new study abroad programs. Many faculty do not recognize how much travel should be involved, or how to determine the degree of academic rigor, or understand the implications of faculty salary and expenses during a summer program. The Committee suggests that a subcommittee be formed to develop these guidelines and salary issues.

b. Discretionary Funds Committee: Colleen Kriger reporting in the absence of Don McCrickard announced that the committee has approved sixteen ITF applications at \$500 each, totaling \$8,000. This leaves \$17,050 for future funding on a rolling basis. The committee has approved three awards for \$2,557 leaving a balance of \$27,049 for future Kohler proposals. Next Kohler deadline for proposals is January 25, 2008.

c. Committee on International Students: Michael Elliott thanked the committee for participating in a successful IEW to promote exchanges and hosting international scholars. IEW kicked off with a couple of Bryan School events, followed by BARNGA, a popular cross-cultural simulation enjoyed by many staff participants. The week ended with a Friday Fest hosted by India & Pakistan, followed by a reception and the announcement of the winners of the Study Abroad Photo Contest that received over 300 entries.

6. International Admissions – Pamela Harrod reported that the numbers for the spring 2008 semester are in line with fall numbers and are beginning to receive applicants from new countries such as Vietnam and Nepal. Pam is developing a set of appropriate courses that could provide future international students with a suitable foundation for

their academic programs. Pamela and Mike will be visiting several embassies in DC during the month of December to aid in recruitment efforts.

7. UNC-EP – Madge Hubbard reported a good application cycle and a successful orientation for Spring nominees. UNC-EP will be attending the ITESM Fair in March to promote North Carolina. They will be sending three students from UNCG, Chapel Hill, and Asheville to Brazil in the spring. UNC-EP's new website will go live with Studio Abroad in December.

7. Other Business: Lyn announced that the Provost is interested in increasing funding for the ITF and for Kohler proposals related to faculty research with an international component.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Harden