

International and Off-Campus Programs Committee
Hamline University
Minutes for Friday, 17 April 2015, 3 pm.

Present: Van Dusenbery (chair & recorder), M Sheridan Embser-Herbert; Ex officio: Kari Richtsmeier, Christine Diaz-Higgins, Chris Kipp, Ayn Rassier. Missing: Hossein Akhavi-Pour, Joe Lewis, Zhenqing Zhang, Kim Zielinski, Jackie Johnson.

Minutes were approved and a recorder was designated.

International admissions update (Ayn):

- Numbers looking up at both grad and undergrad level, pending final decisions.
- Kari participated in Education USA meeting in D.C that might help with international recruitment (especially targeting countries that pay their students' expenses).

International student update (Chris):

- Several international students have had health or behavioral problems this year.
- Ongoing conversations taking place with HSB and HSE over CPT (Curricular Practical Training) for international graduate students.
- International students had a successful spring break trip to San Francisco.
- Elections underway for student orgs (ISO and HIGSA)
- Mentors for next year being selected.
- Switching from Hamline's to ISO's health insurance for international students
- IOCP is posting an International Student Advisor job opening (focus on programming, global families, global mentors, student orgs, and working with CDC on internships/jobs).

International exchanges update (Van for Kim):

- 11 incoming direct exchanges for Fall 2015 (3 Germany; 2 Chile; 5 ISEP; 1 Japan full year)
- Hamline in York students all placed for Fall 2015 (11 students, 2 w/ internships)
- The UIC summer program at Hamline will not run this summer. This will have financial repercussions. (Kari looking into why UIC is not sending and how the program might be resurrected and expanded going forward.)

Study abroad update (Christine for Christine & Jackie):

- recruitment for J-term 2016 opened with good student interest
- recruitment for May-term 2016 still awaits final pricing to get going in earnest.
- study abroad information session will be held on 23 April.
- study abroad student worker position has opened up with Federal work study funds

New business

- discussed modifying fall deadlines for J-term and May-term study abroad student applications
- discussed concerns over faculty recruitment and training for short term study abroad courses (esp., how Provost's Initiatives funding and CIEE grant funding meant to encourage faculty to develop short term study abroad proposal has or has not been coordinated with IOCP and been followed through to fruition.) Agreed that an expectation should be made that awardees either produce a study abroad proposal within four years or explain why they consider a proposal unfeasible. Agreed that CIEE grant money be preferentially awarded to junior faculty.
- Kari announced that she was meeting with President Hanson next week. We await word of anything of substance with respect to IOCP that might emerge from that meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:59 pm.

Future Meeting Dates and Times: Friday, May 15, 3-4 pm (as needed).