



Date: May 31, 2007

To: Andrew Marcus, UO Senate President 2006-07
Chunsheng Zhang, Vice Provost for International Affairs and Outreach

From: Robert Haskett - FSPC Chair, 2006-07

RE: **Yearly Report from the Foreign Study Programs Committee (FSPC)**

1. Provide your name and the names of the active members of your committee:

Ina Asim, History
 Carol Anne Bassett, Journalism
 Estelle Brunner, Ex Officio, Registrar
 Nadia Ceccacci, Romance Languages
 Robert Haskett, History, FSPC Chair
 Lynn Kahle, College of Business
 Marilyn Linton, Undergraduate Studies, German
 Amy Nuetzman, Academic Learning Services
 Kathy Poole, Ex Officio, International Affairs
 Jonathan Rosenberg, ASUO
 Andrew Schulz, Art History
 Ying Tan, Art

2. Provide a copy of the mission statement (charge) for your committee, which has guided your work.

See attached.

International Student
and Scholar Services
(541) 346-3206

3. Comment on the usefulness of the mission statement in guiding your work. What should be included or deleted?

Overseas Study
Programs
(541) 346-3207

The mission statement was revised in 1996 and is very useful in guiding the committee. The committee sees no need to revise the mission statement at this time.

AHA International
(800) 654-2051

International Alumni
Programs
(541) 346-5851

4. Briefly summarize the major work accomplished by your committee this academic year.

International
Resource Center
(541) 346-0887

International
Coordinating Council
(541) 346-5851

The FSPC approved 5 new programs during 2006-07 and reviewed 17 existing programs, most of which are on a two to three year review cycle. Programs are reviewed every three to four years unless the committee finds reason to review them more frequently. The results of this year's reviews are to be found in the following list. The schedule for future reviews and detailed summaries of this year's reviews are available from Irimi Papantoniou, Secretary to the FSPC.

Savage Endowment for
International Relations
and Peace
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OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

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The following programs were reviewed in 2006-07 and judged satisfactory by the FSPC. They will be reviewed again on the following schedules:

Four-Year Review. The FSPC recommended that the following programs be reviewed in four years **(during the 2010-11):**

England, Bristol
Korea, Yonsei & Ewha (Oregon University System – OUS)
Italy, Florence Fibers

Three-Year Review. The FSPC recommended that the following programs be reviewed in three years **(during the 2009-10):**

Africa, Ghana, Journalism
Africa, School for International Training, SIT (15 countries)
Czech Republic, Prague (Council on International Educational Exchange – CIEE)
Ecuador, Quito Neotropical Biology
Ecuador, Universidad San Francisco de Quito, Pontifica Universidad Catolica del Ecuador, (Oregon University System – OUS)
Hong Kong, University of Hong Kong
Israel, Hebrew University
Italy, Macerata Architecture
Russia, Eurasia (American Councils for International Education – ACTR)
Russia, (Council on International Educational Exchange – CIEE)

Two-Year Review. The FSPC recommended that the following program be reviewed in two years **(during the 2008-09):**

Italy, Rome Architecture

One-Year Review. The FSPC recommended that the following program be reviewed in one year **(during the 2007-08)**

Spain, Granada

Experimental Status: The FSPC recommended that the following program remain on experimental status and be reviewed in two years **(during the 2008-09):**

England, Cambridge

New-Program Proposals:

Approved programs: After careful deliberation, the committee approved the following new overseas study programs. They are given an "experimental" status for 2007-08 academic year and reviewed after they have been in operation for at least one cycle:

- China, Nanjing University (Flagship program)
- China, Shandong, Art
- Ghana, Accra, AHA International
- School for International Training programs (SIT), various countries
- Council on International Educational Exchange programs (CIEE), various countries

Non-approved programs:

- Russia, Moscow, Moscow International University, additional information required
- Ukraine, Montenegro Field School, additional information required

New Initiatives: Barbara Altmann, head of Romance Languages, presented the initiative to create a joint Ph.D program between the UO and Universite Lumiere Lyon II, France. The initiative was discussed and received a favorable response from the FSPC.

The Office of International Programs presented the initiative/proposal for study abroad as a means of exempting the International Cultures Requirement. The proposal, if approved by the Undergraduate Council, would exempt students who study abroad in an approved program from one International Cultures course requirement. The proposal was discussed and received a favorable response from the FSPC.

5. Briefly summarize the major work you believe this committee should undertake next year.

Next year the committee will review about 18-20 programs. Also, the committee will consider new program proposals submitted during the academic year, and programs where issues may arise during the year.

6. Briefly summarize the workload of this committee in hours per week.

The committee met 9 times during the past academic year. Meetings average about 1.5 hour. On average, each committee member prepares review material for the committee for two programs. This preparation involves reviewing program materials, student and faculty evaluations and preparing a summary. Program summaries can take three to five hours to prepare, in general. Therefore, committee members will spend about 25 hours during the academic year attending meetings and working on committee assignments.

7. Explain whether you think the current mission and structure of this committee is best serving the short and long-term goals of the university faculty.

Yes, this committee provides a useful and necessary review of foreign study programs by an impartial cross-departmental body. The committee can complete its mission effectively because of the diligent and insightful work of committee members, and the organization and support provided by the OIP staff. As a bonus, committee members become better informed of the student opportunities for overseas study, and faculty opportunities for teaching abroad.

8. Explain what work of the committee you believe to be central and therefore should continue to be carried out by the committee.

All work currently carried out by the committee is useful, central to the mission of the committee and should be continued.

9. Explain what work might be best done elsewhere. Where do you suggest?

The committee works efficiently. No changes are suggested.

10. Is there one or more committees you believe this committee could usefully merge with in the conduct of business?

No, the committee is appropriately focused and with a reasonable workload.

FOREIGN STUDY PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

ESTABLISHED: 1969. FSPC Meeting, May 31, 1996

REVISED PROPOSED CHARGE

POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

(a) To review periodically the organized foreign study programs associated with the University for the continued granting of UO credit; (b) to make recommendations to the Vice President for Academic Affairs regarding the approval of all new foreign study programs, approval of new policy proposals, and the continuation of existing programs; (c) to submit an annual report of the committee to the faculty senate; and (d) to follow generally the standards enumerated in "Guidelines for Foreign Study Programs in the Oregon State System of Higher Education" (July 24-25, 1967), in matters regarding program reviews, evaluations, and policy considerations.

MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES:

10 faculty representing the various colleges and schools, to be appointed for staggered two year terms. One student, appointed for a one year term. The Director of the Office of International Education and Exchange, ex officio.

CURRENT JURISDICTION

New foreign study program proposals from any area of campus must be presented to and approved by this committee. The committee generally reviews about one-third of the foreign study programs each year to assure quality and viability.

COMMENTS:

The Foreign Study Programs Committee meets approximately once a month during the academic year. The Office of International Education and Exchange provides the staff for this committee.