

International Committee Meeting – August 16

Begin: 11:00 am

Attendees: Carol Motcyka, Sven Normann, Randell Doty, Denise Klinker, Maureen Keller-Wood, Hendrik Luesch, John Gums, Andrea Vargas, Adam Dzedzy

Introductions

Each committee member introduced themselves and their involvement with the committee:

- Motycka: participated in Short Study Abroad Programs
- Doty: participated in Short Study Abroad Programs, APPEs, Global Health Outreach and Thai Consortium. He also worked on the International Education week and has supervised international and exchange students
- Klinker: partnered with Doty to coordinate the international APPEs
- Keller-Wood: served on the committee previously
- Normann: participated in spring break trips (coordinates with the College of Medicine), Short Study Abroad (site visits in England, Malta, Spain, etc.), assisted with inbound international students and helped work on the International Education week with Doty
- Luesch: works with international collaborators from China, Singapore, etc.
- Gums: served on the committee previously and travels to Austria each year. He has also hosted international students

Ongoing Activities

Doty: Asked committee to give feedback for the calendar of international activities. He also provide a brief summary of what is ahead:

- Global Health Outreach Programs held over spring break
- Short Study Abroad programs in May
- International IPPEs can occur at any time during the cycle
- Exchange program with Nevarro starts in fall and ends in spring
- German pharmacists are allowed to work with Dr. Derendorf for up to six months based on German law
- Thai Consortium over the summer – students, faculty and research staff involved
- International Education week in November – Australian speaker Lisa Nissen will be joining us this year

Call to help find ways to help students who cannot afford these trips and also to find ways to bring those experiences from abroad to the college. International presence offers new ways of looking at processes and benefits all involved. There was also a brief discussion about student exchange programs at the graduate level.

New Business

Doty: Should we accept all interested international students or put limitations based on number, timeframe, etc.

- Normann said that drug information programs could work well but patient care is more difficult due to timing of rotations, which could put a limit on who is accepted.

- UF has benefitted greatly from foreign schools so there is a need for reciprocity by allowing more students to visit if/when possible.
- If more students are brought in, faculty will need to allot more time to this, which would need to be factored into their effort reporting.
- Students from other countries may be limited in certain ways based on licensure. We would need to specify the types of rotations or “programs” students can actually enroll in based on inquiry.
- Proposed four-week rotation - shadowing APPE students in the fall?
- Doty and Klinker will work on policies and procedures for bringing in students, identifying the best times of year for incoming students and the numbers that can be brought in.

Short Study Abroad for CE: Offering a Short Study Abroad program as continuing education could provide a new revenue stream for the college: Pharmacists would travel to earn CE credits in a similar fashion to the regular study abroad programs. This could be offered to UF alums first, but eventually could be brought to other professionals as a sort of vacation package that also allows them to complete CE. **This would need to be discussed with the new CE director and is on hold under one is chosen.** Would also need to discuss if spouses would be allowed to join on the trip and how this would affect the schedule and pricing.

International center will not reimburse for alcohol but will pay for meals. There is a need to differentiate these expenses (splitting receipts) when applicable.

The folder on the Shared drive for the International Programs will be getting overhauled within the coming months.

Has student awareness of these options been maximized? There are several programs in which students can enroll but there are plenty of open spots in each. Doty intends to make a survey to educate students on opportunities and funding.

End: 12:00 pm

Action Items for this coming year:

- 1) Finalize International Activities calendar – provide Randell feedback
- 2) Provide Randell help with selecting SSA applicants
- 3) Review and provide recommendations for SSA Manuals
- 4) Provide student awareness of international activities at all campuses

Meeting times

Here are the meeting times for the fall semester:

- **September 7th, 2:00 – 3:00 PM**
- **October 5th, 2:00 – 3:00 PM**
- **November 2nd, 2:00 – 3:00 PM**
- **November 30th, 2:00 – 3:00 PM**