# International Education Council Meeting Minutes September 7, 2018 Blair Hall Third Floor Conference 3108

**Members present:** Dr. Rick Anderson, Dr. Julie Dietz, Ms. Sarah Dodoo, Dr. Nichole Hugo, Dr. Vanesa Landrus, Dr. Mei-Ling Li, Dr. Catherine Polydore, Ms. Amber Salutric, Dr. Tina Wang

Members absent: Dr. Jinhee Lee

**Ex-officio present:** Dr. Ryan Hendrickson and Mr. Mutombo Andy Kabasele

Ex-officio absent: Dr. Newton Key, Dr. Barry Kronenfeld, and Ms. Sara Schmidt

Visitor present: Ms. Emily Tooy, Ms. Krishna Thomas, Ms. Lauren Schuberth

#### I. Welcome

1. At 9:00 am Dean Hendrickson began by welcoming everyone and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

# II. Approval of Minutes

1. Dr. Nicole Hugo presented the minutes of the April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018, meeting. After review, Dr. Julie Dietz moved to approve the minutes with no additions or revisions and Dr. Tina Wang seconded the motion. The committee unanimously approved the minutes with no abstentions.

#### III. Elections

1. Dean Hendrickson noted that since there wasn't a quorum of members at the last meeting, so electing a new Chair and Vice-chair was moved to today's meeting. He asked if anyone was interested in being Chair and Dr. Hugo expressed an interest after her experience of being Vice-chair last year. Dr. Julie Dietz moved to appoint Dr. Hugo as the new Chair and Dr. Polydore seconded the motion. The committee unanimously approved with Dr. Hugo abstaining.

After explaining the role of Vice-chair, Dr. Hugo asked if anyone was interested in the position. Dr. Vanessa Landrus said she was interested in filling the role and Dr. Dietz moved to appoint Dr. Landrus as Vice-chair with Dr. Tina Wang seconding the motion. The committee unanimously approved with Dr. Landrus abstaining.

# IV. Dean's Report: Dr. Ryan Hendrickson

1. Dean Hendrickson again welcomed the new Study Abroad Coordinator, Emily Tooy. Emily began on Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018, and oversaw the entire office after Dr. Olausen left and before Mr. Kabasele began in August. He stated that she has been doing a great job.

Dean Hendrickson introduced Mr. Mutombo Andy Kabasele who is the new Assistant Dean for International Education. His first day was August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Dean Hendrickson also thanked Krishna Thomas for her work as Admissions Counselor along with Lori Click who also works in the International office. He has been working to fill the vacancy left when Brenda Cuellar resigned by hiring a new International Student Coordinator. This position will assist students with visa issues, and also help with admissions and other international programs. Currently there are three graduate assistants working in the OISS, along with Sarah Dodoo who is working part time, and also a Political Science GA who works five hours a week. Dr. David Melton is also continuing to help with the admissions process.

- 2. Dean Hendrickson explained to the committee that with the reorganization of the university, two colleges were merged and a new college was created. Previously there were two representatives from each college and the members were chosen by him after consulting with college Deans and given three year memberships. With the change in colleges, new members may need to be chosen. He asked the committee to think about ways to incorporate these changes into the bylaws and to discuss it with the executive committee members before the September 28<sup>th</sup> executive meeting. He shared that the Council on Graduate Studies (CGS) had similar issues and came up with a model to align the committee with the new colleges. The new College of Liberal Arts and Sciences has about four times the number of faculty than the other colleges, so they could have three representatives from the CLAS and one from the others. Also, they may consider decreasing the number of representatives, but he did recommend that the student representatives stay the same. He asked members to share their ideas on representation with the newly elected leaders. Dr. Dietz expressed support for the model proposed by CGS leaders.
- 3. He also reported that Dr. William Weber, the former Vice President for Business Affairs, has given a gift of \$5,000 to be awarded to five Spring semester study abroad students. Each award will be \$1,000. This will be very helpful since many students decide on study abroad trips based on finances and costs. Also, this will be an immediate gift instead of an endowment that takes time to grow. Dr. Weber wanted to highlight the program and also provide incentives for students to participate. Dean Hendrickson also thanked Emily Tooy for participating in the meetings and helping to organize the gift.

### V. Reports

#### 1. Study Abroad: Mr. Mutombo Andy Kabasele

a. Mr. Kabasele gave the committee an update on the office of Study Abroad and provided a Power Point presentation. He discussed the Study Aboard fair that was held on September 5<sup>th</sup>, gave a summary of the Summer 2018 faculty led programs, and listed some of the upcoming programs for Spring and Summer 2019. He also provided various funding opportunities for study abroad students. An additional Study Abroad fair is being planned for later in the fall semester.

## 2. International Student and Scholars: Mr. Mutombo Andy Kabasele

a. Mr. Kabasele also updated the committee on the current numbers for international enrollment and also discussed the International Orientation Day. He let the committee know about various outreach activities and new ways to contact current and prospective students. Finally he provided current numbers of applicants for Spring 2019. He also said that there are plans to travel to various places to try and recruit more international students in the future. He also plans to meet with the student AIS Chair monthly to try to help with any international student issues that arise.

- b. TLC Update Ms. Schuberth provided the committee an update of The Learning Center (TLC). This Spring there were three graduates, two were master's students and one under undergraduate. This Fall semester there were eight TLC graduates who started at EIU and of their current 24 students, 15 have pledged to go to EIU. There will be ten new students in the Spring and five have signed up for Fall 2019.
- c. AIS Update: Ms. Dodoo gave an update on the Association of International Students (AIS). She shared that AIS had a bowling event in August with about 50 students attending. They also had their first meeting with an election of nine new members with five countries being represented. The group will work on establishing new partnerships both on campus and throughout the community. Their goal is to help international students in any way they can. The second meeting will be held today (9/7/18).

Dr. Landrus asked about subcommittees and Dean Hendrickson requested the committee to think about what subcommittees they might like to be on this year and they would discuss it at the next meeting.

Dr. Hugo moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 am. The next meeting will be October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Note: The additional pages are older material from a previous presentation by Dr. Olausen.

Minutes submitted by Mary Mattingly

# Report on CIEE Global Campus Site Visit – London, UK and Rome, Italy March 11-17, 2018

#### **CIEE Global Campus Model**

- 6-week blocks students can do 1, 2, or 3
- 2 courses for 6 credits during each block
- Students can stay in one location, or move around
- Current and upcoming locations: London, Berlin, Paris, Rome, Madrid, Cape Town, Rio de Janeiro, Santiago, Buenos Aires
- As these programs have been developed and expanded, scholarships have been offered
  - O CIEE has provided all Academic Consortium member institutions 5 Open Campus grants ranging from \$4,000-\$6,000 for **fall 2018 and spring 2019**. Originally, students remaining at a single Open Campus site for 3 blocks could be nominated for grants in the amount of \$4,000. For students opting to experience 2 or more Open Campus sites during a 3-block semester (i.e. Mobility), the grant amount is \$6,000.
  - We are pleased to announce a change for Latin America only: Nominated students will be awarded the full \$6,000 whether they choose to move between locations OR stay in one Latin American Open Campus location for all three blocks. This is for students who want to study in Buenos Aires, Rio de Janeiro and/or Santiago, Chile. This means students can study for 18 weeks in Latin America for less than \$10,000!

#### Academic Tracks (pretty much consistent across sites)

- Communications, Journalism & New Media
- International Relations & Political Science
- Language, Literature & Culture
- Sustainability & Environmental Sciences
- Business
- Global & Community Health
- Academic Projects (available in a student's second or third block in the same location)
  - o Service-Learning
  - o Directed Independent Research
- Internships available 2 different models
  - Within a regular 6-week block a 3-credit internship is possible
  - Global Internship Program student takes regular classes during the first 6-week block, then has a full-time internship for 8 weeks (3 credit internship + 3 credit accompanying seminar)

# Housing

- In London, students stay in Chapter student housing
  - o <a href="https://www.chapter-living.com/properties/kings-cross">https://www.chapter-living.com/properties/kings-cross</a>
  - Shared rooms, although there is one student hired as an RA who gets a single
  - Study rooms, gym, social spaces in the building
  - o Kitchens on each floor
  - Students from all over London live here so study abroad students are mingling with UK students
- In Rome, students are in apartments within walking distance of the Center
  - 2 students to a room, generally 3 bedrooms in each apartment (2 bathrooms)
  - A handful of apartments have an Italian student "buddy" living with the study abroad students

- This is an existing partnership EIU students regularly study here for a semester or during the summer
- I had an extensive tour of the School of Media, Arts and Design <a href="https://www.westminster.ac.uk/about-us/faculties/westminster-school-of-media-arts-and-design">https://www.westminster.ac.uk/about-us/faculties/westminster-school-of-media-arts-and-design</a>
  - Art and Design
  - o Fashion
  - o Television, Film and Moving Image
  - o Journalism, Digital Media and PR
  - o Music
  - Photography
- Large number of music practice rooms, performance spaces, and professional level recording studios
- Art and Design in just about any medium including Animation and Graphic Communication Design
- Good fits here for EIU students in Art, Design, Journalism, Music (particularly if they have an interest in production) this should be promoted
- This school is its own, self-contained, campus outside of Central London (near Wembley Stadium)

### University of Winchester

- Existing EIU partner mainly through KSS department, although exchange and direct enroll options are open to all EIU students
- Great location for our students: manageable town size, 60-90 minutes by bus or train into London
- "Quintessential" English town
- Range of humanities and social science options (interestingly some of the courses in the Sports department are the closest to "hard" sciences the university has)
- Majors that we could target: Accounting, History, Geography, Anthropology, Drama/Performing Arts, Journalism
- Interesting major they offer: Animal Welfare
  - From their undergraduate prospectus: Explore relationships between humans and other animals, and examine what animal welfare means today. You will investigate big questions such as how do we understand animals; what are our responsibilities to animals; why do we develop emotional attachments to animals; why does society make gods of some animals but vilify others; and what can we learn about human nature by looking at animals?
  - Careers in this area, according to the departmental website:
     Graduate gain employment in national and international animal advocacy, charitable, welfare and conservation organisations and with animal-related Governmental departments and commercial organisations. Some may use this gateway to other pathways such as teaching veterinary specialization in animal welfare, doctoral studies and research in related fields, or accreditation as an animal behaviourist.