Date:	June 3, 2013
То:	Margaret Paris, UO Senate President 2013-14 Dennis Galvan, Vice Provost for International Affairs
From:	Robert Haskett - FSPC Chair, 2012-13

# **RE**: Yearly Report from the Study Abroad Programs Committee (SAPC), formerly the Foreign Study Programs Committee (FSPC)

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

Brian Lowery, Ex Officio, Registrar Shelley Merello, Romance Languages Andrzej Proskurowski, Computer and Information Science Cari Vanderkar Moore, Ex Officio, International Affairs Peter Wetherwax, Biology Gabriela Martinez, Journalism and Communication Craig Parsons, Political Science Jeffrey Stolle, Business Jeffrey Measelle, Psychology Esther Hagenlocher, Architecture

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

See attached.

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

As part of the tenth-year review of the Study Abroad Programs Committee (formerly Foreign Study Programs Committee), the mission statement was revised in May 2013. The committee expects that the new mission statement will more accurately reflect the work done by the committee.

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

During the 2012-13 year, the SAPC approved twenty-one new program proposals, reviewed twenty-two existing programs. Most of the reviewed programs are on a three to four year review cycle. Programs are reviewed every three to five 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 Aila Thomson, the SAPC Coordinator.

The following programs were reviewed in 2012-13 and judged satisfactory by the SAPC. They will be reviewed again on the following schedules:

**Five-Year Review**. The SAPC recommended that the following programs be reviewed in five years (during 2017-18):

OUS Yonsei University SIT Africa Suite University of Bristol CIEE Southern Europe Suite University of Otago

**Four-Year Review**. The SAPC recommended that the following programs be reviewed in four years (during 2016-17):

University of Bergen IE3 Global Internships, Various locations AHA Berlin, Germany OUS Waseda University Exchange Program

**Three-Year Review.** The SAPC recommended that the following programs be reviewed in three years (**during 2015-16**):

Cambridge Summer School, Global Seminar Harbin Summer Intensive Chinese Program AHA Angers, France AHA Athens, Greece Hokkaido University TASSEP, Multiple locations in Europe National University of Singapore

**Two-Year Review.** The SAPC recommended that the following programs be reviewed in two years (during 2014-15):

CIEE Africa Suite WHU – Otto Beisheim School of Management Urban Design in Barcelona, Global Seminar

**One-Year Review.** The SAPC recommended that the following programs be reviewed in one year **(during 2013-14)**:

AHA Summer Business Program, Shanghai, China CIEE Portuguese-Speaking Suite

**Conditional Status:** The SAPC recommended that the following program remains on conditional status and be reviewed again in two years **(Fall 2015)**:

University of Pavia, Italy

### New Program Proposals:

**Approved programs:** After careful deliberation, the committee approved the following new study abroad programs. They are given an "experimental" status for 2013-14 academic year and reviewed after they have been in operation for at least one cycle:

Clark Honors College in Oxford, Global Seminar AHA Choral Music in London Marine Biology in Panama, Global Seminar Environmental Media in Uruguay, Global Seminar University of Leicester Chemnitz University Singapore Management University OUS Scandinavian Wood Products Design Gardens in London, Global Seminar Sciences Po Tibetan Buddhism in India **OUS** Sicily AHA Marketing in Vienna AHA History and Travel Writing in Oviedo AHA Food and Agrotourism in Siena AHA Harry Potter in the UK Field-Based Development Work and Research in Uganda, Global Seminar Human Rights in Guatemala, Global Seminar AHA Mediterranean World, Multi-site

**Conditionally approved programs:** The following programs have been approved conditionally pending the implementation of SAPC-recommendations:

AHA Journalism in Vienna OUS Cuban Culture, Society & Politics

# 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 twelve times during this academic year. Meetings average about 1.5 hour. On average, each committee member prepares review material for the committee for two to three 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 to 30 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 study abroad 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 OIA staff. As a bonus, committee members become better informed of the student opportunities for study abroad, 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.

### **STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS COMMITTEE** Formerly: Foreign Study Programs Committee

ESTABLISHED: 1969. Senate Meeting, May 22, 2013

### **REVISED CHARGE**

#### CHARGE AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Study Abroad Programs Committee shall: (1) regularly review and approve the academic standards of organized study abroad programs now associated with the University for the continued granting of academic credit; (2) establish policy, evaluate, and make recommendations to the faculty, through the Faculty Senate, regarding the approval of any proposed study abroad programs; and (3) follow the most recent academic standards for study abroad programs enumerated by the Oregon University System of Higher Education. The Committee works with the International Affairs Advisory Committee to recommend broad institutional policies and goals for programs of study and other opportunity abroad.

#### MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS:

Membership of the Study Abroad Programs Committee is not fixed; however, it must include faculty and students. Membership traditionally includes 7-9 faculty and 2 students, plus the Director of Study Abroad Programs (ex officio) and a representative of the University Registrar's Office (ex officio).

#### CURRENT JURISDICTION:

Reviews and approves academic standards in study abroad programs of the University granting academic credit; reviews new program proposals.

Revised: May 2013