

Date: May 28, 2014

To: Margie Paris, President UO Senate

From: Robert Haskett - FSPC Chair, 2013-14



RE: **Yearly Report from the Study Abroad Programs Committee (SAPC)**

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

Monique Balbuena, Clark Honors College, Literature
Kathie Carpenter, International Studies
Thomas Delaney, American English Institute
Scott Fitzpatrick, Anthropology
Esther Hagenlocher, Architecture
Robert Haskett, History, SAPC Chair
Michelle Hyde-Wright, Ex Officio, Convener
Brian Lowery, Ex Officio, Registrar
Gabriela Martinez, Journalism and Communication
Craig Parsons, Political Science
Hayley Shapiro, Student
Riley Stevenson, Student
Peter Wetherwax, Biology
Stephen Wooten, Ex Officio, Director Study Abroad Programs

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 the 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 by the committee.

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

The SAPC approved 11 new programs during 2013-14, reviewed 19 existing programs and 1 program provider. Programs are reviewed every three to four years unless the committee finds reason to review them more or less 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 Erin Mower Anderson, Secretary to the SAPC.

The following programs were reviewed in 2013-14 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 the 2018-19):**

- Universidad de las Americas (Oregon University System – OUS)
- Danish Institute for Study Abroad
- Media in Ghana
- Copenhagen Business School (Oregon University System – OUS)
- Australian National University
- University of East Anglia
- Uppsala University
- Segovia, Spain (AHA Program)

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

- Cuban Culture, Society & Politics (remove experimental status) (Oregon University System – OUS)
- Marine Biology in Panama (remove experimental status)
- Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico
- University of Tampere
- Landscape Architecture in Kyoto
- CIEE Provider Review
- Oviedo, Spain (AHA Program)
- Shanghai, China (AHA Program)

Two-Year Review. The SAPC recommended that the following program be reviewed in two years **(during the 2015-16):**

- Universidad San Francisco de Quito (Oregon University System – OUS)

One-Year Review. The SAPC recommended that the following program be reviewed in one year **(during the 2014-15)**

- Japan Women's University (In one year or after a student attends the program).

Terminated Programs.

- CIMBA Business & Communication Studies in Paderno del Grappa
- Instituto Tecnologico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey (Oregon University System – OUS)

New-Program Proposals:

Approved programs: After careful deliberation, the committee approved the following new overseas study programs. They are given an "experimental" status for 2014-15 academic year and reviewed after they have been in operation for at least one cycle:

Irish Culture through Film – Mike Aronson (AHA Faculty Led)
Advanced Spanish Language and Culture – David Wacks (AHA Faculty Led)
Food and Culture in Italy – Stephen Wooten (AHA-Faculty Led)
Marketing in Siena (AHA-Faculty Led)
Dankook University
Oviedo, Spain (AHA New Spring Semester)
Sustainable Urban Design & Development: Hong Kong & Oregon (AAA)
Sports Business Global Study Tours

Conditionally approved programs: After careful deliberation, the committee conditionally approved the following new overseas study programs. They are given an "experimental" status for 2014-15 academic year and reviewed after they have been in operation for at least one cycle:

Music in Germany
European Studies/German/Political Science/Arts and Administration

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 12 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 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 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 OIA 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.

STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS COMMITTEE
Formerly: Foreign Study Programs Committee

ESTABLISHED: 1969. Senate Meeting, May 22, 2013

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 University Senate, regarding the approval of any proposed study abroad programs; (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