

Committee on International Programs
SAS Hall, Room 3282 11:00-12:30

Members Present: Roy Borden, Michael Bustle, Vicki Martin (for Stefan Franzen), Michael Giancola, Michael Hyman, David Dixon (for Megan Landwehr), Bailian Li, Ashle Page, Jose Picart, Robert Sandruck (Chair), Ingrid Schmidt, and Ronald Sederoff

Members Absent: Remil Aguda, Shea McManus, Maria Correa, Helmut Hergeth, Percy Hooper, Elizabeth James, Sung Woo Kim, Anna Lamm, Trevor Little, Veronica Mbaneme, Kailash Misra, Taylor Rogan, Rudi Seracino, (co-Chair), David Shafer and Hiller Spires

I. Welcome and Call to Order

- CIP Chair Rob Sandruck began the meeting, thanked the members for their participation and gave a brief summary of the November 5th CIP meeting :
 - The November CIP meeting focused on Study Abroad, Curriculum Integration and the CIP Seed Grant preparation.
 - CIP reviewed and approved minutes from the November meeting as moved by Jose Picart and seconded by Elizabeth James.
 - Rob Sandruck reiterated that the CIP Seed Grant call is open being announced on December 2nd with January 10th as the deadline for submission.
 - The agenda items for this meeting include the Prague Institute, College Inventories (PCOM example), Faculty Subcommittee Reports and other Committee Updates.

II. Prague Institute

- Art Rice, Professor of Landscape Architecture and Associate Dean for Graduate and International Studies in the College of Design gave presentation about the Prague Institute (PI) relating its development, expansion and current efforts to partner with other NC State Colleges and departments to offer programs in Prague.
 - PI opened in 2005 with 9 students (1,500 sq./ft. of instructional and studio space)
 - Presently, courses from every NC State academic college have been offered at PI (annually serving 180 students – full capacity of 80-85 students)
 - Location: near the Old Town Square and Charles Bridge
 - Recent expansion of space now stands at 8,800 sq./ft. including a library, computer lab, lecture halls and seminar rooms; student accommodation is approximately 20-minute commute by tram
 - Semester programs typically include two field trips (one in Czech Republic and second in another country)
 - Peter Kjaer is the Director of the Prague Institute who leads the 6-person staff running the day-to-day operations at PI as well as building relationships and helping students connect with resources and services in Prague; Sean Addley is the international program coordinator with joint appointment in the Study Abroad Office and College of Design responsible for coordination of PI programs
 - All courses at PI are taught in English by NC State faculty (or Czech faculty with adjunct status at NC State having been vetted, reviewed and approved by home department)
 - PI is funded virtually 100% by enrollment / student tuition

- An expansion of General Education Program course offerings is underway where classes and course content are enriched by the location in Prague
- Clarification of visa regulations now limits the amount of time that NC State faculty can “work” – teach or lecture in the classroom
- Art Rice re-iterated an interest to meet with departments and faculty who are exploring ideas to teach a course or develop a program at PI; there is space for faculty to spend time at PI during sabbatical, etc.

III. College Inventories of International Engagement

- Rob Sandruck reviewed the effort of CIP members to collect information about international activities in their college / department in collaboration with respective counterpart on the International Operations Council. This is not an insignificant undertaking, but a small start will advance awareness of where we are engaged globally as well as foster collaboration across disciplines and departments. Rob provided the example from his effort in the Poole College of Management. CIP members discussed the relevant and important information / data that should be collected:
 - Demographics of international students and scholars
 - International Publications
 - Joint Research Collaboration
 - International Engagement (Extension)
 - International Faculty
 - Study Abroad programs (and Scholarships)
 - International Dual Degrees
- The proposed deadline for completing the inventories is by March/April 2015 (recognizing that is it an ongoing effort)

IV. Faculty Subcommittee Report

- Ron Sederoff provided an update on behalf of subcommittee chair that recognition of faculty international effort in Tenure and Promotion process is still lacking. There was an interest to bring this issue back to the deans.
- CIP discussed the relatively few faculty who take a sabbatical (classified as an off-campus scholarly assignment) to advance international collaboration.
- The Jackson Rigney Award nomination and review process will take place next Spring

V. Updates

- Roy Borden noted that the Graduate Student Support Plan is being reviewed for ways to revamp the program and there may be some changes coming.

Meeting Adjourned @ 12:30 pm

Spring CIP Meetings: January 14 / February 4 / March 4 / April 8
(Note New Location: Poole College Boardroom, 3rd floor Nelson Hall)

Attachments:

- Agenda
- Copy of Prague Institute Presentation
- Poole College of Management - International College Inventory