

**Standing Committee
 NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY**

International Programs
 1:00-2:30, February 13, 2020
 5101 Talley Student Center

Committee members present (check applicable):

Bonaduce-Dresler, Anna Rita	X	Porter, Stephen	X
Bunds, Kyle	X	Thakur, Siddhartha (Chair)	
Darhower, Mark	X	Wesselow, Denise	
Dirienzo, Jennifer	X	Woodbury, David	X
Edwards, Michael (Co-chair)	X	Dedmon, Hannah	
Hergeth, Helmut	X	Muratori Holanda, Debora	X
Hooper, Percy	X		
Jayaratne, K.S.U (Jay)	X	Bustle, Michael	X
Jing, Naihuan	X	James, Elizabeth	X
Kim, Sung Woo		Li, Bailian	X
Narayan, Roger		Schmidt, Ingrid	X

1. The meeting was called to order. It was determined that a quorum was present and the meeting could conduct business.

The following individuals were also present:

N/A	

2. The minutes from the January 16 meeting were reviewed and approved.

3. Internationalization Seed Grants

A table with raw and normalized review scores were shared with committee members. After some discussion of outlier scores and individual reviewer comments (shared anonymously) the final list of nominated recipients was based on the adjusted scores, which included standard deviations.

Funding for one proposal, which focused on the creation of a new study abroad program, was made contingent on additional review by the Study Abroad Office. The SAO later sent a positive response. One additional proposal for Israel will be redirected to the Israel Visiting Scholar Program for possible funding. Committee members were asked not to share results until the recipients had been informed.

4. Global rankings, and their impact on faculty

Bailian Li, Senior Vice Provost for Global Engagement, gave a presentation detailing NC State's recent drop in global rankings, the negative impact on recruiting international students or attracting global funding, OGE's efforts to improve the accuracy of our data, and steps that faculty can take to assist with this effort.

One critical point was the impact of global engagement on publication citations. A study from University of South Florida showed that publications with at least one international co-author had a citation impact three times that of publications with no international co-authors.

The power point was shared with committee members electronically.

5. New quarterly cycles for International Travel Assistance Grants

In the past, a single annual cycle unrealistically expected faculty to submit proposals far in advance, before many of them had become aware of opportunities or made tentative travel plans.

The committee was presented with a proposed quarterly timeline for Travel Assistance Grant applications, and asked for feedback on two main points:

- a) In which cycle would they or their colleagues be most likely to need such a grant? This would allow for appropriate distribution of awards granted in each cycle.
- b) For travel in July, August, or September, announcements of funding would be made by April 1, but funding would not be available until July 1. Committee members were asked whether this could present a hardship for faculty needing to make flight arrangements or pay conference registrations in advance. In the proposed timeline it will be up to the recipient's department, whether to require that the faculty member remain out of pocket until the funding has disbursed.

Despite these potential challenges, committee members were enthusiastic about the new quarterly system, which would allow applicants to submit proposals no more than 6 months prior to travel.

6. Roundtable presentations by CIP members

Stephen Porter (College of Education) gave a presentation on his work in Japan, which sparked a fruitful and informative discussion on bridging cultural differences. Additional presentations will be offered at the March and April meetings.

7. There was no further business, and the meeting was adjourned.

CHAIR SIGNATURE		
Chair Name: (Print) <i>Michael B Edwards (acting)</i>	Chair Signature: 	Date: <i>03/11/2020</i>