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Global Initiatives
Meeting Minutes
2-25-2022

In Attendance: Giselda Beaudin, Doragnes Bradshaw, Ed Bustos, Emily Nodine, Blake Robinson, Jenifer Ruby, Marc Sardy, Keith Whittingham

- Update on status of study abroad for summer 2022 and fall 2022
 - Most summer programs approved; delayed decision on 3 programs based on strict PCR testing requirements in country
 - Decided to discontinue country-specific risk assessments for semester programs – at this point, semester programs will return to normal operations for all countries with open borders. We will only assess risks as needed based on the country.
- Update on RIG workshop – please help publicize the event and encourage your colleagues to attend!
 - March 4, 12:00-1:00 in Bush 210
 - Just sent reminder – RSVPs due by Monday
- Updates on committee membership and open spots for next year:
 - Crummer representative
 - CLA Divisional reps for business, social science applied, and science and math
 - Staff representative
 - Student representative
 - Decided to extend either the current staff or Crummer representative by one year in order to put them on opposing cycles to increase institutional memory on the committee
 - Both Keith and Doragnes are willing to serve an additional year if needed
- Global Initiatives Committee grant review and decision – see attached application
 - Will this set a precedent for funding conference travel?
 - Normally faculty do have limited travel funds for conferences - \$1200 domestic – through the Dean’s office
 - Most departments and programs have very minimal budgets
 - Maybe this doesn’t have enough of a global focus – is it too focused on diversity and are we not the right venue for this, or is there enough similarity in learning outcomes and overlap in goals.
 - A course like this could benefit incoming international students from Asia by creating more knowledge among domestic students.
 - Marc approve for \$1000.00 and Jenifer second – specify that this is a unique grant and does not set a precedent for funding this type of conference travel
 - Approved
- Planning for a faculty/staff workshop and/or symposium for fall on global learning and intercultural competence:
 - Potential session/topic ideas:
 - Leading study abroad/facilitating experiential learning
 - Using the Global Experiences Index to enhance global learning
 - Advising students to gain global skills and experiences
 - Teaching intercultural competence
 - Utilizing the global-local to enhance global learning

- How to use the resources that are available to us? What resources are there internally and externally – Devon Massot maybe.
 - Diversity Council is exploring a similar idea – could we collaborate with this group? Maybe apply for TPJ funding for a speaker
 - Maybe a whole day event with some presentations, a plenary, and some hands-on workshops
 - Maybe create short engaging videos on some of these topics to have on the website for faculty and staff to refer to?
 - Marketing and Communications – may be a resource for videos
 - Or maybe student intern project – COMM or CMC
 - Connect to the ACS perhaps – summer conferences
 - Jenifer could bring this idea to the Diversity Council on Tuesday
 - Model the structure off the Summit – full day on a Friday, call for proposals along with some planned sessions
 - Timing 3-4 weeks into the semester, or two weeks after the mid-point during the semester might be good
 - Form a joint sub-committee for planning with members from both committees
 - Would be nice to have buy in from the top on this to really commit and make it a focus of the whole campus for that day.
- Also maybe create more short promo videos for students – maybe expand the photo contest to a video contest in the future
- GIC Meetings:
 - Could they be hybrid?
 - Or alternate in-person and virtual
 - Other spaces on campus for meetings: Reeves Lodge, Warden Dining Hall
- Tabled until the next meeting: Engaging the global-local
 - How could this committee promote and/or provide global-local opportunities for students?
 - What might this look like?