

UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

Minutes of Meeting

Friday, May 17, 2019

I. Consent Calendar

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes of March 15, 2018

Action Taken: The Agenda and Minutes were approved as noticed.**II. Chair's Report***- UCIE Interim Chair Jeremy Hourigan*

Mr. Hourigan explained that former Chair Lazzara had been given an administrative role at his campus and could no longer serve as chair. Since the Vice Chair was away, Mr. Hourigan had agreed to serve as Chair for the meeting.

The Interim Chair suggested adding language from Bylaw 182 to the Committee webpage. Analyst Harms will look into having that added. He also spoke about other, broader roles for UCIE in terms of oversight of the welfare and support of international students. He also mentioned the President's "Getting to 30 Percent" initiative and how UCIE should be a part of those efforts.

The committee also discussed having CIE mission statements at the campus level and incorporating language regarding internationalization in the University mission statement.

III. Systemwide Internalization Conference*- UCIE Interim Chair Jeremy Hourigan*

Mr. Hourigan shared a document outlining a proposal for a systemwide internalization conference. He referenced the previous work of the International Thinking Day and noted that it did not have much faculty involvement and was "top heavy." He noted that a future meeting should involve faculty, administration, and staff. He suggested the development of white papers and best practices to develop a network across the University to facilitate work on international issues. He noted that Davis is a systemwide leader in international affairs and engagement and that their work could be leveraged for a larger systemwide effort. Davis is developing a global learning hub to help make connections; but it is just in its development stage. The teaching of language and culture programs would also need to be addressed in this conference; many campuses have gutted their language programs.

IV. UCEAP Director's Report*- Director Vivian-Lee Nyitray*

The Director spoke enthusiastically about the idea of an Internationalization Conference and said that UCEAP would like play a role in it. She also referenced International Thinking Day and Getting to 30 Percent. She remarked that she was working with Vice President Art Ellis to craft some language regarding internationalization for the University Mission Statement.

The Director then showed a PowerPoint. She said that UCEAP has recently presented a new business plan to its advisory committee and is hoping for some agreement from them about the proposal. The program had record enrollment and appreciates the work that the campuses have been doing. There has been phenomenal growth in summer gateway programs; UCEAP has more than

two times the national average of students who go abroad every year. That said, she noted that there had been “noticeable” drops from UCSC and UCLA.

There is some concern from the campuses about the launch of the student information system. The product will launch on June 30 and will not have the potential that was originally envisioned. The campuses are concerned that the roll-out will not go well and have asked to postpone it to August, but it cannot be done. There will be daily fixes and weekly updates. There was a test group with students at UCSB and they suggested one change and this will be accomplished prior to the launch. From June to August is when UCEAP has about three percent of its applications come in; it is the prime time to test the system with the minimal amount of potential harm. Twice during the past year the student information system has gone down. It is very fragile. We cannot afford to delay this anymore.

The Director showed slides related to UCEAP’s 2008 business model and its 2018 restructuring. The business model was based on assumptions, some of which did not hold true over time. In addition, a variety of UCEAP fees were altered or abandoned. Three suppositions about the viability of the UCEAP business plan were built on tuition increases which did not happen and increased enrollment (which has changed to summer enrollment). UCEAP did get opportunity funds but it did not get a systemwide assessment. The Director said that the 2008 plan was “structurally defective” and that UCEAP was moving to change it. The new plan has two main assumptions:

1. UCEAP to collect and retain all tuition monies, including NRTS. Tuition in all its forms and in its entirety should be allocated to UCEAP when a student participates in its programs, i.e., tuition should follow the student. And
2. Exempt UCEAP participation and program specific fees from return-to-aid.

She said that this request would keep UCEAP’s operational costs flat and would allow for more grants to the campuses to help pay for financial aid officers and other needs. It also would enable UCEAP to maybe increase the number or amount of scholarships. She added that campus-specific fees should not be charged to students who go abroad because they are not there using the gym and other facilities. Some campuses provide discounts to students who go overseas, and she would like to see all of the campuses do it to help lessen the cost for them.

V. UCEAP Associate Dean’s Report

– *Associate Dean Hsiu-Zu Ho*

The Associate Dean showed a PowerPoint about AI Grants. She noted that this year they have shifted the timeline on the AI grants to the campuses so they can start in July. They received 12 grant proposals and awarded seven. Each proposal needs to have faculty and a staff PI, and the awards span from STEM to humanities and social sciences. The grants specify that the departments make a presence on their websites for education abroad. They have also requested that they come back with creative deliverables.

In addition to providing grants, UCEAP has been helping the campuses to create databases. The campus databases had a presence at the UCACC advising conference. UCEAP has been providing incentives by offering professional development to help learn about how to use the databases. Out of the 100 respondents, 54 for did not know about the credit abroad databases; 21 percent knew about it from the previous year and roughly 30 percent learned from other sources. The Dean stated that the academic advisors are the front line so it is important that they know these resources. The databases help students' academic planning and course selection for study abroad, allow students and staff to search for specific types of credit that students received in the past, and Show advisors what courses other campuses have previously approved for credit.

The Associate Dean closed with data on the Physics Summer Gateway Programs. Students were enthusiastic about them and felt that they gave them the opportunity to practice skills. The Dean showed a graph that demonstrated this and the extent of growth in skills due to participation and language learning. The committee talked with her about the language learning aspect.

VI. Consultation with the Academic Senate Leadership

Robert May, Academic Senate Chair

Kum-Kum Bhavnani, Academic Council Vice Chair

Chair May said that the governor's May Revise did not respond to UC's request for additional funds to cover tuition buy out. The University did get more money than it has in recent years. The University is in the middle of a promised three-year salary plan from the President; it is supposed to be closing the salary gap and there has been talk of a five percent increase. However, that may not come to be since the governor did not give UC the additional funds.

APM 011 (academic freedom) is out for review. This is response to the librarians who were not covered by academic freedom; this would cover them. The Chair is looking forward to the response from the review.

Chair May talked about UCSF's proposed affiliation with Dignity Health, which is part of a Catholic hospital chain. He expressed concern about the implications of this alliance should it go forward in regards to women's health, and LGBTQ care. He said that the Regents' Health Sciences committee is meeting in June which might result in an action item for the July Regents' meeting. The committee discussed this issue at length.

Chair Hourigan shared with the Senate leadership an idea for systemwide conference on Internationalization. The Chair was supportive of the idea and suggested that the committee work with UCORP to help get it off the ground.

VII. For Second UCIE Review: New Program Proposals

A. Seoul National University

Proposal has not changed since it came to the last meeting. Students need to find their own housing if they choose not to do campus housing or in homestay. Students can take courses in the Korean curriculum. This is a reciprocity program.

Action Taken – The proposal was approved 8-0-0.

B. Business and Entrepreneurship in London

This is a winter program in London. Based on the feedback, UCEAP moved the field trip; otherwise the proposal did not change. This is aimed at business students who are interested in going to London.

Action Taken – The proposal was approved 7-0-1.

C. Python and Data Science

These are introductory courses for non-computer science majors. Madrid is very popular but it does not have much English language programming. A lot of Spanish language heritage students want to go to Spain but they do not want to take classes in Spanish. This could be a significant cohort for this program.

Action Taken – The proposal was approved 8-0-0.

- D. Summer Physics at Sapienza University and
- E. Summer Physics at Rome Tre University

Action Taken: *These programs are asked for the following so that an electronic vote can be taken:*

UCEAP will provide evaluations of syllabi by two campuses for the Sapienza physics offering. UCIE views the program and the quality of the Department of Physics at Sapienza very favorably. However, it would like to see approval of the syllabi by a pair of UC campuses to ensure that the specific program is a viable alternative to UC on-campus courses. Upon receipt of these evaluations, UCIE is prepared to vote to approve the course electronically before the end of the academic year. This should allow course marketing to proceed on a normal timeline.

VIII. Program Reviews

A. 2018-19 Switzerland Three-Year Review

This is only a four-year-old program. It has had a few challenges, they were all addressed. It was working beautifully. The students go to Geneva in the spring and then do an internship in the summer. The program had quite a number of students in the first three years but not all of them found internships because of the French language requirement. There is now a French language requirement for the program. With that requirement the number of students who participated was reduced, but all but one found internships. Some of the students had commented on the difference in difficulty; it was still very difficult to get good grades. Students need to study outside of class; if they don't, their grades may not be up to par. Overall, the reviewer said that the program is on a great track for success.

Action Taken: *The review was approved 8-0-0.*

B. Proposed 2019-20 UCIE Program Review Committees

Action Taken: *The committees were approved 8-0-0.*

IX. Information Items- these are new program offerings at that institution

- A. New International Summer School at University College London
- B. New Summer Study in London Program at Sotheby's Institute of Art
- C. New Summer Physics Locations

Two locations with existing partners: Cork and Edinburgh

- D. Reopening Exchange Program with the University of Padova, Italy
Padova was a long-time partner until 2010, when it was closed due to economic reasons. However, they have strengthened and have a lot of English-language course offerings. They are very committed to internalization and have many housing options.

- E. Changes to the Taiwan Summer Lab Research in Engineering and Science Program
The old summer lab program has changed and is expanded to include a broader scope.

F. Program Closures

1. University of Michigan-Shanghai Jiao Tong University Joint Institute, Engineering (China)
2. Semester in Mumbai with Internship (India)
3. Studies in English in Lyon (France)

X. Executive Session

No minutes are taken during Executive Session.

XI. Campus Reports

The campus representatives shared their efforts that were underway and concerns about international students and programming.

The meeting was adjourned 3:30

