

Date: May 23, 2011

To: Nathan Tublitz, UO Senate President 2010-11  
Denis Simon, Vice Provost for International Affairs

From: Robert Haskett - FSPC Chair, 2010-11

**RE: Yearly Report from the Foreign Study Programs Committee (FSPC)**

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

Estelle Brunner, Ex Officio, Registrar  
Alison Evans, American English Institute  
Robert Haskett, History, FSPC Chair  
Grace Hochstatter, ASUO student  
Raymond King, Lundquist College of Business  
Virginia Lo, Computer and Information Science  
Jeff Magoto, Yamada Language Center  
Scott Maier, Journalism  
Alexander Mathas, German and Scandinavian  
Craig Parsons, Political Science  
Kathy Poole, Ex Officio, International Affairs  
Ying Tan, Art  
Andrew Verner, Lundquist College of Business  
Peilin Xie, ASUO student (Attended none of the meetings)

**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?**

The mission statement was revised in 2001 and is very useful in guiding the committee. The committee would like to consider a slight revision to the mission statement reflecting the name change of the department and perhaps changing the title of the committee to meet current terminology. No formal action was taken in this regard.

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

During the 2010-11 year, the FSPC approved ten new program proposals, reviewed eighteen existing programs, denied two program proposals, and terminated one program. Most of the reviewed programs are on a three to four year review cycle. Programs are reviewed every three to five years unless the committee finds reason to review them more 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 Hiroe Sorter, the FSPC Coordinator.

**The following programs were reviewed in 2010-11 and judged satisfactory by the FSPC. They will be reviewed again on the following schedules:**

**Five-Year Review.** The FSPC recommended that the following programs be reviewed in five years **(during 2015-16):**

Australia, Curtin University, AHA  
Ecuador, Quito, Global Seminar, Department of Biology

**Four-Year Review.** The FSPC recommended that the following programs be reviewed in four years **(during 2014-15):**

Americas Suites, SIT  
Croatia, Global Seminar, Department of Architecture  
England, London, AHA  
Italy, Vicenza, Department of Architecture  
Japan, Meiji University, Exchange (4-5 year review)

**Three-Year Review.** The FSPC recommended that the following programs be reviewed in three years **(during 2013-14):**

Middle East Suites, CIEE  
Chinese Flagship Capstone Year Program  
Segovia, AHA  
Spain, Oviedo, AHA  
Mexico, Querétaro, OUS  
Ecuador, Quito, OUS  
Australia, James Cook University, OUS  
Australia, Deakin University, OUS  
Italy, Macerata, AHA  
Italy, Siena, AHA

**Experimental Status:** The FSPC recommended that the following program remains on experimental status and be reviewed in one year **(during 2011-12).**

Italy, Lecce, Global Seminar, Department of Romance Languages

**Terminated:** The FSPC recommended the following program to be terminated due to administrative/academic or low enrollment issues:

Russia, Russia and Eurasia, ACTR

**Decision Pending:** The FSPC recommended the decision for the following program to be on hold due to administrative/academic or low enrollment issues. The program decision is to be determined after reviewing the actions taken by OUS by the end of this academic year (2010-11).

China, Beijing Language and Culture University, OUS

### **New Program Proposals:**

**Approved programs:** After careful deliberation, the committee approved the following new study abroad programs. They are given an "experimental" status for 2011-12 academic year and reviewed after they have been in operation for at least one cycle:

Amendment to the Chinese Flagship Capstone Year Program  
Archaeological Field School, Global Seminar  
Culture, Migration and Politics in the Caribbean, Global Seminar  
Global Citizenship Initiative, Holden Leadership Center and Family &

Human Services

National Autonomous University of Mexico, Exchange Program  
Nyenrode Business University, Exchange Program  
Oregon Executive MBA Global Study Trip, OEMBA (One run only)  
Otto Beisheim School of Management, Exchange Programs  
Second Year Global Seminar, AHA  
Sustainable Bicycle Transportation Field Seminar, Global Seminar

### **Disapproved programs:**

The following programs have been disapproved due to administrative, academic, or cost issues:

Finland Helsinki Architecture, Global Seminar  
Eco-city Development in China, Global Seminar

**5. Briefly summarize the major work you believe this committee should undertake next year.**

Next year the committee will review about 16-18 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 ten times during this academic year. Meetings average about 1.5 hour. On average, each committee member prepares review material for the committee for two 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 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 study abroad 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 study abroad, 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.



## **FOREIGN STUDY PROGRAMS COMMITTEE**

ESTABLISHED: 1969. FSPC Meeting, May 31, 1996

### **REVISED PROPOSED CHARGE**

#### **POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

(a) To review periodically the organized foreign study programs associated with the University for the continued granting of UO credit; (b) to make recommendations to the Vice President for Academic Affairs regarding the approval of all new foreign study programs, approval of new policy proposals, and the continuation of existing programs; (c) to submit an annual report of the committee to the faculty senate; and (d) to follow generally the standards enumerated in "Guidelines for Foreign Study Programs in the Oregon State System of Higher Education" (July 24-25, 1967), in matters regarding program reviews, evaluations, and policy considerations.

#### **MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES:**

10 faculty representing the various colleges and schools, to be appointed for staggered two year terms. One student, appointed for a one year term. The Director of the Office of International Education and Exchange, ex officio.

#### **CURRENT JURISDICTION**

New foreign study program proposals from any area of campus must be presented to and approved by this committee. The committee generally reviews about one-third of the foreign study programs each year to assure quality and viability.

#### **COMMENTS:**

The Foreign Study Programs Committee meets approximately once a month during the academic year. The Office of International Education and Exchange provides the staff for this committee.

Revised: June 2001