

Minutes: IESC
 Room: HSS 230

Date: May 16, 2017

Present: Rob Troyer (Chair, Minutes), Bryan Dutton, Ernie Buncal, Teresa Tolento, Melissa Cannon, Misty Weitzel, Robin Smith, Ann Bliss

Time	Agenda Item	Who	Outcome/Follow-up
3:50pm	Approval of April minutes	Rob Troyer	Minutes reviewed and approved by committee
	Update on Study Abroad at Academic Excellence Showcase	Bryan Dutton, Misty Weitzel, Ernie Buncal	<p>Finalized event: Morning session, 30 minutes, 2 speakers. Bryan and Misty have worked with them to submit titles and abstracts and practice presentations.</p> <p>Of note for current and future presenters: Robin recalled a past study abroad presentation in which the student simply showed their digital story project, which was less effective than a live presentation would have been.</p>
	International Learning Specialist	Rob Troyer	<p>Jinglin Guo, who has worked with Rob Troyer as an International Learning Specialist in the office of International Student Academic Support for the past three years, is nearing the end of her working visa and has accepted a job at a university in Shanghai. Rob will be hiring a replacement over the summer to be ready for the new international students in the fall.</p> <p>The International Learning Specialist primarily tracks international student success and contacts students who are on academic warning and probation and those who instructors refer to us for help. The Specialist offers academic advising and creates individualized support plans for students so they receive tutoring, technology, or tests proctoring support and/or we facilitate interaction between the student and their instructors. Other duties include co-instructing the ICS 110: International Student First Year Experience course, which is a term-length orientation to US universities and WOU that most new international students are required to enroll in during their first term—the position also helps coordinate the Conversation Partners program and the English Tutoring Center.</p>

	Update from OIED	Ernie Buncal	<p>86 students admitted for Fall 2017—this includes those in the first COE Early Childhood cohort. Applications are still arriving.</p> <p>OIED is still working on housing for the COE cohort—they will likely be required to live on campus for the first term. Their arrival in mid-September makes it nearly impossible for them to find affordable off-campus housing.</p> <p>Ernie recalled the recent email from Gary Dukes, Vice-President of Student Affairs, regarding the former WOU student that was detained by US Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and clarified that because the individual was no longer a student with any official ties to WOU including visa or immigration status, there was no way for WOU staff to be informed or involved in the matter.</p>
	Update on ICSP scholarship applications	Melissa Cannon and Robin Smith	<p>The IESC representatives who screened scholarship applications reported that they reviewed approximately 13 completed applications, but about as many were incomplete. This may have been due to the complexity of the application which is a hold-over from when the program was part of state-wide funding. Now that WOU is independent, we may be able to revise and simplify the application in the future.</p> <p>Funding was available to choose 5 recipients whose scholarships will start in Fall 2017 with an additional student being able to begin in Winter 2018.</p> <p>It was suggested that the names of ICSP scholarship students be sent out to faculty in the fall so that instructors know that these students are available for cultural service presentations and events.</p>