Atlantis Program

REPORT FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

University Senate Committee: Academic Policies Committee

Brief History of Issue - why the issue is being considered:

This program was a grant-funded student exchange program for Information Systems students, with funding provided only through Spring 2013. This program was a collaboration involving the Technische Universitaet Braunschweig (Germany), MCI-Innsbruck (Austria), UW-Eau Claire, and the University of Nebraska Omaha.

Grant funding for students has ended, and Professor Tom Hilton (IS) has confirmed that that his department is not interested in continuing the ATLANTIS exchange once the grant is finished (Spring 2013).

CIE recommends cancellation rather than continuation of the program. Rationale: student interest has been sporadic at best, and follow-through on student applications has hinged on the availability of the $5,000 mobility stipends provided by the grant, which will no longer be available. Access to courses abroad as well as academic advising abroad has also proven problematic for UWEC students.

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INTX 414 Atlantis—TV Braunschweig/MC Innsbruck
9-18 crs. • Sp, Su • FC; Special Course Fee Required; Field Trip(s) Required
• A-F Grades Only • P: Equivalent of one semester German. Minimum junior standing. • Department Consent Required
• Individual courses may apply toward GE, if appropriate. The Foreign Language/Foreign Culture requirement waived upon program completion.
Students will take business and communication courses at the Technische Universitaet-Braunschweig, Germany and the Management Center Innsbruck, Austria. They will also participate in academic field trips. Housing is in university residences.

Points Discussed by Committee:

1.

Pros of Recommendation:

1. Keeps only active study-abroad programs on list of programs.

Cons of Recommendation: None

Technology/Human Resource Impact: None

Committee Recommendation:

Eliminate the Atlantis Mobility study-abroad program and remove it from the Undergraduate Catalog.
MOTION FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

The Academic Policies Committee,

by a vote of ____ for to ____ against on April 30, 2013

recommends that the Atlantis Mobility study-abroad program within the Center for International Education be eliminated and removed from the Undergraduate Catalog.

Implementation Date: Immediate

Signed: _______Jean A. Pratt_____
Chair of the Committee

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