RATIONALE: The CIE proposes to close the study abroad program in Leipzig, Germany. The program was identified by the German faculty as a replacement for the study abroad program in Wittenberg, Germany and was to begin spring semester 2009. However, the program never succeeded in enrolling the minimum number of students for spring 2009 or spring 2010. In each of those years, we sent our students to the University of Marburg through a collaboration with UW-Stevens Point. We have now worked out a joint program agreement with UWSP and the University of Marburg, allowing both UW-Eau Claire and UWSP to be full partners in the Marburg program; thus we are able to send a variable number of students, even in years with lower enrollments than the Leipzig program required.

The German faculty unanimously agrees that we should replace the program in Leipzig with the program in Marburg; we therefore ask to officially close the program in Leipzig.