PROPOSAL FOR NEW STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM

City University Hong Kong

RATIONALE: In order to create a new opportunity for UWEC students of Chemistry and Materials Science to study abroad, CIE proposes a new student exchange program with City University Hong Kong. In March 2013 UWEC Professors Michael Carney and Marcus Mc Ellistrem visited City University, met with faculty, reviewed curriculum and explored the possibility of a student exchange. This recommendation comes forward with faculty support as an opportunity to create a semester-long exchange in Hong Kong for students in these majors. During an earlier visit in November 2012 by several UWEC faculty and staff, student services and residential facilities were evaluated and appear to be quite adequate to meet student needs.

ENROLLMENT LIMITS:

An agreement between UWEC and City University Hong Kong would allow for up to four students to be exchanged annually. The maximum number of students exchanged per year can be increased upon mutual agreement.

CURRICULUM:

At the request of City University, this exchange would initially be limited to students in Chemistry and Materials Science, but could possibly expand to include additional majors, pending UWEC faculty approval and confirmed interest upon the part of City University.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Housing is arranged through City University in international student dormitories and furnished student apartments. Accommodations are quite limited, but CIE has been assured that this can be guaranteed for a small number of students in this exchange.

CALENDAR:

Fall, spring, and academic year terms are available. The first UW-Eau Claire students could participate in Spring 2014.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

The program would be open to degree-seeking UW-Eau Claire undergraduate students with a minimum GPA of 3.0. Students must have at least sophomore standing by the beginning of the program.