

REPORT FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

University Senate Committee: Academic Policies Committee

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

In January 2019, UW-Eau Claire became the 34th affiliate member campus of the University Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC). As a part of the affiliate agreement, the Center for International Education has agreed to open more of USAC's program offerings to students at UW-Eau Claire. The Center for International Education (CIE) is proposing adding two additional Spain locations to the USAC array. These programs will relieve some of the pressure on the spring Spanish Language and Culture program at the University of Valladolid, where we have been sending groups of 40-55.

The locations being proposed are:

- Bilbao, Spain
- Valencia, Spain

Points Discussed by Committee:

1. Cost comparison of these additional locations to the University of Valladolid
2. Program and course array distinction amongst the three locations
3. English speaking course array option expanded

Pros of Recommendation:

The additional locations will relieve pressures from the single option that is currently available. Course array for students are expanded. The program is administered by a solid partner in study abroad.

Cons of Recommendation:

none

Technology/Human Resource Impact:

None

Committee Recommendation:

The committee approved CIE's proposal for adding 2 additional Spain locations to the USAC array.

MOTION FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

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by a vote of 8 for to 0 against on May 7, 2019 (Date)

Recommends that:

The Center for International Education add the 2 Spain locations (Bilbao & Valencia) to USAC array starting summer 2020 AY.

Implementation Date: 19/20 catalog

Signed: _____
Chair of the Committee

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