

University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire
University Senate Academic Policies Committee
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Tuesday, September 18, 2018
Council Oak Room, 260 Davies

Present: *Members:* Janice Bogstad, Carey Applegate, Selika Ducksworth-Lawton, Joel Friederich, Robert Hooper, Marquell Johnson, Hans Kishel, Bill Miller, David A. Miller, Darrell Newton

Guests: Jeff Bria, Margaret Cassidy, Deb Jansen, Cheryl Lochner-Wright, Jill Prushiek

Presiding: Chair Marquell Johnson called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

1. Approval of minutes from May 15, 2018

- Motion to approve the minutes of May 15, 2018, as distributed. Motion was seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Introduction of committee members

3. CIE proposal for Summer Study Abroad Program at the University of Ghana

- Cheryl Lochner-Wright provided information and answered questions. Have sent students to the University of Ghana on semester-long programs through ISEP and USAC. Didn't originally request for a summer program to allow the semester-long program to be established and also didn't want to compete with the program in South Africa. Realized Ghana offers quite different opportunities, including the Service-Learning opportunities.
- How many students typically participate?
 - Three to five students typically participate in the South Africa summer program. The Ghana program is consortial (students are sent from across the United States) and there is not a minimum number of UWEC students need to participate.
- Is there a faculty component?
 - No. There have been continued discussions with USAC regarding faculty oppounities, but still no agreement. UWEC is currently an affiliate and not a full member the application process hasn't been provided to us yet.
- Proposal states there is a lounge in the dorm where students can use computers and internet for a small fee if they don't have their own computer? Can students check out a laptop for the summer?
 - Internet and computer usage is not guaranteed at all sites, e.g., Germany. The charges are often included in the fee; however, it is an add-on cost in Ghana. Unsure if McIntyre Library or LTS allow students to borrow laptops long-term.
- Discussion surrounding the lack of an African American history course in the curriculum. Curriculum provided on proposal was taught in summer 2018, curriculum can change, can recommend a history course be included. Could also recommend students take a history course prior to their departure; the program could be linked to a mandatory course.
- Motion was made to approve CIE's proposal for a summer study abroad program at the University of Ghana. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

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4. Academic programs under review for 2018/19 and discussion of possible completion timelines

- Six programs to be reviewed: Chemistry; Communication Sciences and Disorders; Geology; Latin American Studies; University Honors; Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies
- Departmental responses due February 1st. Possible 2-hour meeting on April 30th if needed. May break into subcommittees

5. Miscellaneous

- Committee will meet next week: Arts and Sciences' certificate program
- Per minutes of May 15, 2018, need to complete a "For the Record" regarding coordination of academic policies between UWEC and UWEC-BC for Senate. Mike Carney is the contact.

Chair Marquell Johnson adjourned the meeting at 2:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Forcier
Secretary for the Meeting