

COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION
JANUARY 12, 2023
MINUTES

PRESENT: C. Graninger, Chair; J. Kim; S. Ren; D. Weisbart; M. Princevac (Ex-Officio); M. Schmelzle (Ex-Officio); J. Chen (GSA Student Rep); J. Nguyen (ASUCR Student Rep).

ABSENT: B. Li; R. McKee (Ex-Officio); K. Vaughn (Ex-Officio)

GUESTS: Jun Wang, Assistant Provost, Strategic Initiatives, and Int'l Recruitment
Annette Webb, UNEX Associate Dean of Academic Affairs
Dan Jeske, Vice Provost of Academic Personnel

Chair Denver Graninger called the meeting to order at 1:03PM. Chair Graninger noted that UCEAP Executive Director, Vivian-Lee Nyitray, will be on campus in January/February for an International Affairs event and has expressed interest in meeting with faculty.

The Committee approved the minutes from the November 3, 2022, meeting.

Chair Graninger provided the Committee with an update from the December 16, 2022, meeting of UCIE and noted there was continued discussion about the Presidential Proclamation 10043 (*Suspension of Entry as Nonimmigrants of Certain Students and Researchers from the People's Republic of China* (PRC)). The conversations are continuing as the numbers from China are down. UC and the State Department will be meeting in January to discuss.

UCEAP has 3,700 outbound students and hopes to increase this number to 5,000 next year. It was noted that UCEAP has contracted with mental health services for students abroad.

UCIE also discussed the stampede at Halloween that took place in Seoul, South Korea. UC had 201 students there during that time and all students were eventually accounted for and were safe. They will be revising disciplinary procedures for students not responding to safety roll call.

UCIE also discussed the following: the struggle to get students to study abroad in Latin America even with the removal of the language requirement; the high demand for programs which include an internship; Sweden is now requiring an in person interview in Washington D.C. before issuing visas for traveling abroad; the first quarter travelling abroad during the fall quarter has been pushed back to Fall 2024; and UCLA removed itself from PAC 12 to join the Big 10 and will have to pay subsidies to Berkeley.

The committee reviewed the draft International Affairs Strategic Plan and will forward comments to Vice Provost of International Affairs, Marko Princevac.

The committee met with Vice Provost of Academic Personnel, Dan Jeske, to consult about how faculty efforts in the area of international education, including especially teaching UCR students abroad and mentoring international students at UCR, can be best articulated within the framework of "The Call" at merits and promotions. VPAP Jeske noted that they are revamping the teaching/mentorship page in the call/file so that faculty can add a full statement. Some members noted that summer teaching is really accounted for in "The Call" and departments

won't decrease faculty teaching loads for summer teaching. VPAP Jeske noted that Joint Senate-Administrative Teaching Evaluation Implementation Committee (TEIC) put forth a proposal for additional teaching evidence. This is currently under Senate review. VPAP Jeske also noted that for the peer part of the evaluation, someone abroad could write a letter on the faculty members' behalf.

International Affairs gave an update on the new scholar vetting process. Background checks will now be done prior to visa processing by export control. If any red flags appear, conversations must be had with Research and UCOP. This process may soon be used for graduate students.

UCR has also been working UCMEX and are currently budgeting for 80 students to attend 4 programs (1 STEM, 3 Humanities) and are actively working with the undocumented student office. There is money designated for DACA students.

With no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 2:05PM.

Approved: April 6, 2023

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