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Meeting Date: December 7, 2017
Time: 10:00-11:30am
Place: Student Union, 322

Voting Members and Alternates in attendance: E. Donkor (Chair), L. Burton (Neag), T. Craemer (Regionals), M. Hussein (Business), T. Long (Nursing), B. McCarthy (Pharmacy) S. Motaref (Engineering), M. Ortega (CAHNR), D. Pejril (Fine Arts), S. Zhou (Engineering)

Ex Officio Members in attendance:
A. Kelleher (VAMP), M. Hatfield (Registrar’s Office), M. Van Beusekom (Enrichment Programs), D. Ouimette (ISS), B. Settje (CCD)

Guests & Support Staff:
C Galli, Cathy Schlund-Vials, Matt Yates, Sara Bradshaw, L. Burrill-Hills

Called to order 10:01am
E. Donkor reordered the agenda to accommodate requests from guests.

Item #4a – UNIV 1985 UConn Co-Op Legacy Fellowship Research Proposal Development
Cathy Schlund-Vials presented information on the course proposal.

Of note, the title is a placeholder and proposers are open to a change in title. The course proposal began when the co-op board was still in place. Funds that were left over after the co-op closed are being used to fund this undergraduate research initiative with the co-op mission and vision in mind. Five students have previously participated but there has been no mentorship. In response to questions from UICC members, the following answers/clarifications were provided.

- This course is a proposal development opportunity
  Applicants put forward a proposal and gather materials that are then assessed by a committee of 12. Fellowships are granted on the condition that students complete the course and refine their proposal.
- The endowed fund will be available perpetually (no draw on principle).
- Course is open to all students (not just honors)
- Following a discussion about using the term “co-op” in the course title, the committee agreed to recommend the revised course title “Public Engagement Entrepreneurship Fellowship sponsored by Co-Op Bookstore”. This title will avoid confusion with co-op courses offered through Center for Career Development/Co-op Education Work Placement (CEWP) which are no credit, full time, paid experiences.

A motion to approve the course with a course title amendment was made and seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.
Item #3: Approval of minutes of October 12, 2017 meeting
Motion to approve was made and seconded.
Approved unanimously with two abstentions.

Item #4b: UNIV 3995 Healthcare Internship with Atlantis Project Greece
Monica van Beusekom gave an overview of the course proposal.

This course will take pre-med student (undergrad/grad) to shadow physicians in Greece. This is the 3rd year that UConn is collaborating with Atlantis project. The previous two years have been held in Spain. The internship is organized by the pre-med office and includes two weeks of shadowing with one day off per week for a field trip that features a healthcare component.

In answer to committee member’s questions, Monica offered the following clarifications:

- The course will be offered this winter. Five students will participate. This is the continuation of the program but students will earn credit this year.
- The course is repeatable for credit. Marcus Hatfield clarified that the maximum # of credits section refers to the total allowable credits. If the course is repeatable for credit, the total numbers of credits allowed should be noted.
- When asked about the opportunity to expand the program outside of pre-med (i.e. Allied Health), it was noted that the program is not run by UConn but rather through Atlantis.
- There was significant discussion on using the term “hands on” in the course description and if this means students will actually be treating patients. M. van Beusekom noted that all programs are operated within the bounds of the law in the local country. Matt Yates from Education Abroad clarified that all programs are asked to procure a certificate of insurance with (at least) minimum coverage for liability purposes.
- The one credit for 42 hours follows the CLAS model for awarding credit.

Motion to approve the course proposal was made and seconded.
Approved unanimously.

Item #1: Presentation by Education Abroad
Matt Yates gave an overview of the proposed Summer International Internship Program (handout attached). He explained their quest to create a structure where students can still get credit for an international internship when the school/college does not have a program. They are asking the UICC for course overlay. The course is intended to be launched being as accessible as possible – thus, the set dates, timeframe and English only placement.

In response to questions, Education Abroad representatives offered the following information:

- There will be one instructor for each location who will follow/mentor the students. This relates back to the online academic component via HuskyCT.
- These are unpaid internships. In many cases, this is a visa issue whereby the students cannot be paid.
- These faculty led programs are charged on a program fee model and not based on tuition. This can be an issue as it excludes those using financial aid or scholarship funds. Matt is meeting with Global Affairs to re-assess this model.
• The eight-week, fixed start and end date model was established through benchmarking with the number of hours and credits (30 hours/week for a total of 240 hours). Again, this is meant to be a starting point; a way to provide academic overlay.
• The vast majority of internship opportunities in the program are with non-profits. The diversified locations helps with this endeavor.

As the next step, Education Abroad will develop a syllabus for UICC to review. UICC will also provide assistance with promoting the course/program to academic units, as needed.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:17am.