

# CSULB INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE (IEC)

Minutes #2: Tuesday, October 8, 2024  
Noon – 1:45 PM (via Zoom)

<https://csulb.zoom.us/j/86487568407>

**Attendees:** Jan Haldipur, Sharon Olson, Eugenia Kim, Laura Gonzalez, Laura Emery, Caitlin Fouratt, John Wang, Alessandro Russo, Christian Bracho, Katherine Erian, Sai Santosh Malladi, Claudia Huang, Fangyuan Tian, Steven Osuna, Min Gu, Seung-hoon Jeong, Marina Aghekyan, Amr Mosy, Daniel Herrera Cepero, Ashley Carter, Ming Chen.

## Opening Business

- September 10 meeting minutes approved
- Jeet and Hema cannot make it today; updated agenda and approved

## New Members Intro

- Christian Bracho- CED
- Katherine Erian- ASI Rep student
- Sai Santosh Malladi- ASI Rep student

## Announcements

### Eugenia Kim / CIE:

- **IEW 2024**
  - Nov 1 deadline to propose events to Eugenia; there will be flyers printed
  - 3 main events: opening reception, global village festival, ally training
  - COIL Panel proposed by Laura G.- may want to do it via Zoom so more people can come
  - Sharon asked if anyone is interested in doing a workshop on short term Study Abroad, like a panel discussion. The panel would be open to faculty interested in short-term programs, with each participant giving a brief description of their program.

### Sharon Olson / Study Abroad

- **ASI Scholarships**
  - Looking at rubric for scoring; Linguistics prof is going to help us as they have experience. Will give us a template to help it be more effective. Will be meeting this week to go over the scoring method to make sure there is consistency. She mentioned that four volunteers were selected to read and evaluate applications, with an additional reader to be called if scores vary greatly.
  - ASI gives money each semester to support a scholarship for exchange programs; students have to submit an application to be considered. They will be selected by a committee along with faculty and an ASI member.
  - Distributed to the student through the campus system, either financial aid or other

- Last Fall, 12 scholarships were granted; this is our only source of scholarships currently.
- **Spring Study Abroad**
  - Applications are now being considered
  - 5 winter programs; Italy, Paris, Australia, S. Korea, Singapore & Malaysia
  - Semester programs: London, Costa Rica – we should make our numbers
- **Education Abroad Sub Committee**
  - **New agreement with University of Chichester in UK**
    - Offers courses like Musical Theater, Dance
    - Committee communicated via email; voted and approved unanimously
      - Members wanted more clarity on the program; some improvements were suggested esp. to name the program.
  - **Review of Process for New Partnerships:**
    - Proposals for new partnerships. We ask: 1) Department to sponsor; it's their job to make sure that courses are evaluated and match requirements in the major 2) Committee proposes that the IEC committee approve it 3) IEC approves 4 ) Sharon writes the agreement for the exchange; at that state the initial proposal is not used again 5) once signed approval, will create a web page to describe; student is responsible to go to their major and ask for approval of the courses for the major. Advisor must approve for the student to be able to participate.
    - Most partnerships are pretty small programs, about 5-6 students max in these programs
    - CSULB doesn't have much admin work to do for students coming here in terms of requirements etc. We have an advisor in SA to make sure there remains a balance in the number of students coming and not to impact courses in the department. The balance of students sent between universities is maintained over 3-5 years, with each university's students paying tuition at their home institution to avoid financial imbalances. It's not a 1:1 exchange every semester, but it balances out over the 5 years.
    - Our students can use CSULB funds (including FA) – they pay the fees here and then go abroad.
    - Agreements are for 5 years; if the exchange is not working out, we don't have to continue.
    - We usually don't have a problem with students wanting to come to our campus – CSULB is very popular.
    - Q.: What about Housing? When students come here, it's hard for them to find housing.
      - A: Study Abroad has staff to help students find housing on or off campus.
  - **Proposals due for Florence and South Africa**
    - Received applications for each and we will be reviewing them to make a recommendation
  - **Faculty proposals are due for London**

## **Caitlin Fouratt / Department of Global Studies**

- USAID speaker is coming to campus and will be able to come to your classroom, let know if interested
- "CSU Global" online Journal is up and running. Designed for any kind of international research including articles for teaching and learning in a global context, articles about going/teaching abroad, etc.; an "editorially reviewed" journal, but not peer reviewed.
- Melissa Adams endowed scholarships – should be available soon and will need faculty for reviewing applications (Laura G volunteered); plans to disperse the first scholarship in January.

## **Laura Gonzalez / COIL**

- Proposing a panel discussion for IEW
- Discussion over who is taking the lead on Phi Beta Delta since Leslie Farmer retired
  - Jeet will be able to give some info
  - Heidi Zhang CPACE brings professionals to campus for training programs—maybe could take the Chair position to replace Leslie Farmer.

## **Additional Topics**

- John Wang expressed interest in putting together a panel on faculty led short-term study abroad programs.
- CLA Global Languages Day- 10/23 – promoting languages at CSULB
- CLA Day- Wednesday, Oct 16

## **Adjournment**

- Motion to adjourn at 12:53pm; approved.