

IDOCS

Minutes for the International and Domestic Off-Campus Studies Committee September 19, 2000

Members present: Kathryn Ananda-Owens, Dick Bodman, Tim Laffredi, Kris MacPherson, Xun Pomponio, Patrick Quade, Mike Swift, Synneva Zempel and Adam Zobel.

Old Business:

1. The committee members were introduced. The returning members of IDOCS are Dick Bodman, Xun Pomponio, Patrick Quade and Kris MacPherson. Kathryn Ananda-Owens and Mike Swift are new to the committee. The elected student representative for this year is Tim Laffredi, and the appointed student representative is Adam Zobel.
2. Dick Bodman was elected chair of the committee.
3. IDOCS meeting times for fall semester were confirmed. IDOCS will meet from 3:15 to 5:00 October 3rd and 24th, November 7th and 21st and December 5th and 19th. Additional meeting times may be scheduled as needed.
4. Pat Quade presented and reviewed the 1999-2000 IOS year end report.

New Business:

1. The Term in the Middle East course proposal for Geometric Forms and Images in Islamic Culture, submitted by Richard and Wendy Allen, was approved by IDOCS and will be green-sheeted for full faculty approval at the October faculty meeting.
 - a) The course will be team taught by two faculty members instead of the traditional model of one faculty leader and one assistant. However, this will not increase the cost of the program for the students or the college.
 - b) The course will offer GE credit in MAR, ORC and WRI pending approval from the GEC Committee.
2. IDOCS reviewed and supports the course proposal for Global Semester, Global Issues: Ethics in a Multicultural Context, submitted by John Barbour.
3. Pat Quade introduced a draft document that will be used to design a plan for internationalization at St. Olaf College. This plan involves integrating international, cross-cultural and comparative perspectives into the academic, residential and social fabric of the institution. Pat summarized the plan's five main components:
 - a) On-campus curricular efforts at internationalization
 - b) Off-Campus study: Develop a new model making off-campus study possible for every student, and changing the emphasis from interim to semester and year-long programs.

c) Faculty development in off-campus studies

d) International Student recruitment and support

e) More support and integration of international visiting scholars A grant proposal has been submitted in hope of securing financial support for these extensive revisions and developments.

4. The committee discussed the schedule for ongoing program reviews. The first reviews will begin in October. This year IDOCS will review Term in Asia, ACM domestic and international programs, HECUA domestic and international programs, Australia: Environmental Science and Wesley Institute, Hebrew University Year, Russia: Novgorod University and Oregon Extension Programs.

5. Pat Quade provided some information from the International & Off-Campus Studies office, including current enrollment and statistical figures, budget information, and various issues facing the office for 2000-2001.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00.

Respectfully submitted,
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Secretary, IDOCS