
Study Abroad Committee Meeting

Thursday, February 8, 2024; 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Meeting Notes

Zoom link: <https://fulcoll-edu.zoom.us/j/77829105081?pwd=6Nj0YSuDgMibcyabiExMen3QoyuJx7.1>

Members: Angela Henderson, Dani Wilson, Carina Valencia, Blythe Tellefsen, Daniel Scarpa, Leonor Cadena, Naveen Kanal, Citlally Santana, Valentin Macias, Renay Laguana-Ferinac, Stephanie Tran

Present: Naveen Kanal, Danielle Fouquette, Brendon Kirby, Angela Henderson, Stephanie Tran, Dani Wilson, Daniel Scarpa, Renay Laguana-Ferinac, Valentin Macias, Citlally Santana, Leonor Cadena, Blythe Tellefsen, Lola Martinez, Carina Valencia

Coordinator's Report

AIDE Presenter Introduction: Angela introduced Kory Saunders, Director of Inclusion Initiatives at AIFS Abroad. Kory presented on Access, Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity (AIDE) for faculty leading a study abroad program in 2024-2025 before the committee meeting. The presentation focused on how faculty and staff can be equitable in different ways to support students who want to study abroad. Kory provided information on resources available for Cypress and Fullerton College faculty.

Summer 2024 Programs (Kyoto, London, and CTE Germany): Angela reported that additional information sessions will be held for the Kyoto, London, and Germany summer programs in February. This is a final push to recruit additional students before the deposits for the summer programs are due in March and April.

Kyoto, Japan Fall 2024: Angela asked the committee to continue promoting the Kyoto Fall 2024 program. The Kyoto program proposal came in recently, and the price is higher than expected. The proposal will be going to the Board of Trustees in late February. There will be additional informational sessions for the fall program the last week of February.

Lisbon & Dublin 2025 proposals: Angela shared that the Lisbon proposal came in recently and that information sessions for the Lisbon program will be hosted in March 2024. Angela and Dani are working on the Dublin summer 2025 RSP.

Gilman/Fund for Education Abroad Scholarships: Angela shared that eight Paris students received a combination of the Benjamin Gilman and Fund for Education Abroad scholarships. Only one student from the Paris program received \$5,000 from the Fund for Education Abroad Scholarship. Angela has been meeting with students who are part of the summer and fall programs via Zoom to revise their scholarship essays.

LIB 298 AF Course Update: The INDS 298 AF course will switch to LIB 298 AF. Waiting to hear back on next steps. After getting approval, the course will launch in the Fall 2025 semester.

Faculty Responsibilities: Angela commented on the updates made to the faculty responsibilities. Faculty will do ten presentations two years before the start of their faculty-led program and will be available to do one on-campus event. The change made is more reflective of how faculty are promoting their study abroad programs post-COVID.

Hornets Around the World: Angela recognized that the total number of students who participated in the Hornets Around the World event in November 2023 totaled 87 students. This was a successful turnout, higher than was expected, even after the event was moved indoors due to the rain.

See's Candies Spring Fundraiser: Angela shared she will be setting up a See's Candies online storefront for the spring semester to help study abroad students fundraise for their summer programs. Students who want to participate get a unique link to share on social media platforms. Angela asked the committee if anyone would help with the See's Candies fundraiser. Blythe Tellefsen and Citlally Santana volunteered to assist. The timeline for the fundraiser sale will be from mid-February to March; Angela will confirm the dates.

Faculty Applications for 2026: The faculty proposal submission deadline is Friday, February 9, 2024. The committee is confirmed for the March 1, 2024, faculty proposal interviews. Danielle Fouquette will no longer be part of the interview committee due to having Accreditation commitments on the same day.

Study Abroad Flyers: Faculty who need program flyers for their classroom presentations can request copies with Carina Valencia.

Future Committee Meetings:

- No meeting on March 14, 2024. Angela and Dani will conduct the Paris Site Visit from March 11 to 15, 2024. Angela and Dani shared that AIFS invited Dr. Cynthia Olivo, Fullerton College President, to participate in the Paris Site Visit. Dr. Olivo agreed to participate and will join Angela and Dani in March.
- Thursday, April 11, 2024
- Thursday, May 9, 2024

The meeting adjourned at 4:42 p.m.