April 23, 2001

To: Policy Council

From: Martha Nyikos & Peg Sutton, Co-Chairs, International Program Committee

Re: Activities of International Programs Committee, 2000/2001

Committee members: Martha Nyikos, Enid Zimmerman, Sharon Pugh, Laura Stachowski, Wendy Gaylord, Peg Sutton, Bradley Levinson, Nita Levison, Robert Arnove, Robert F.; Khuala Murtadha-Watts, Luise McCarty, Deborah Hutton, Kate Cruikshank, Byung-Ro Lim; Eugene Tempel, Shoko Yamada, Ted Frick, Nancy Boatner, John Patrick, Elizabeth Boling, Marie Edwards (ex officio)

In the 2000/2001 academic year, the International Programs Committee and its members have been involved in the following activities:

1. International Student Orientation for SOE graduate students;
2. Goodwill Ambassadors;
3. Formation of the International Graduate Student Association in SOE;
4. Upgrading of the SOE office for Coordination of Diversity and International Programs;
5. Design of a structured mentoring program for international students;
6. Support to Visiting Scholars;
7. Development of an Area of Concentration in International Studies;
8. Consultation on request for special program for the Saudi Ministry of Education

These activities are described in greater detail below.

Support to international students in SOE (items 1-5)
One of the primary concerns of the IPC is to support the academic success and social well-being of international students in SOE. At 258, international students comprised 22.6 percent of students enrolled in SOE graduate degree programs in 2000/2001.

1. Academic orientation program for new international students. September 8, 2000
The second annual Academic Orientation program for International students was held on September 8, 2000, in the SOE auditorium from 1:00 to 5:00 pm. Using information collected from evaluations completed by those who attended the previous year, the program was presented on September 8, several weeks earlier in the semester. The previous year the program was held on September 26, 1999.

Although all new graduate students were welcome to attend, the primary focus was on those students for whom English was a second language, and for those who had not studied in an American university before.
1. Position of Coordinator for Diversity and International Programs was increased to a half-

2. Formation of the International Graduate Student Association in SOE

3. A Climate Feas at the LeCroy-Downing International Center on Friday, April 27.

4. Underwriting of the SOE coffee by Coordination of Diversity and International Programs

5. Design of a structured mentoring program for International Students

6. Development seminar aimed at enhancing their knowledge of and skills in effective

Information:  

International students would register for International credit and participation in a professional  
Language Education to begin next year. Students increased in accurate assessment to  
Pugh and Niih Leron. A new internship opportunity has been developed through  
As a result of a study of international student experiences in SOE, directed by Sharon  

International Graduate Students

There were 654 hits and in February 543. Most inquiries were from prospective

concerning their experiences as students at SOE. It is a popular site: in January of 2002

appeal is to respond to requests from prospective students and other interested parties

amongst international students. The UPR for this program is

The Goodwill Ambassadors Program was launched last year by the Coordinator for

Goodwill Ambassadors

Promotion of whether another approach should be sought.

Discussion of whether the program should be continued in its current form but better

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A document was prepared and distributed to those attending, "Academic Success Tips.

Cerid Malarkey - NJC Revision - Problem Solving: Where to find the help you need at IU

School

Chamber Thompson & Graduate Student Senate - Dealing with the Pressures of Graduation

Annie Blassow - An Open Book Library: Making Our Gold

Karey Czink - Academic Norms and Expectations in American Universities

Louise Mccarthy - Major Goal of the Graduate Program

Dean Gonzales - Welcome

The following program was offered:
under review by the Saudi Ministry of Education. The proposal will be submitted to the IEC in Fall 2001.

In consultation with the Center for the Study of Global Change, the IEC has developed a proposal for providing an area of Concentration in International Studies for Elementary Education majors. The proposal will be submitted to the IEC in Fall 2001. In the process, the IEC assisted in identifying all current Visiting Scholars with support from the Dean’s office. The IEC hosted a coffee hour for Visiting Scholars.

Other activities...