Education Abroad Committee Meeting
Thursday, March 18, 2010
Revised Minutes

Present: Debbie Danna, Ric Bell, Tony Decuir, Wing Fok, Josh Daly, Blanca Anderson, Catherine Zeph, Keith Gramling  Not present: Pat Hugg

1. Reviewed Proposed new Procedures for non-faculty led study abroad programs. The procedures were approved by the committee but Ric Bell recommended that Debbie Danna complete an application to determine its appropriateness. IF the application is appropriate, Danna will refer to the Provost for approval. If changes are recommended, Danna will bring to EAC.

2. Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities (AJCU) Memorandum of Understanding was reviewed and Danna described the AJCU Study Abroad Consortium. It was decided that any new AJCU programs that will be considered as Loyola programs will be brought to the EAC.

3. The EAC reviewed and approved the expansion of charge of the EAC that follows (changes in bold), but Danna will discuss with Fr. Dziak.

   The Education Abroad Committee (EAC) is responsible for all policies and procedures for study abroad as well as reviewing new study abroad programs and other international academic and service initiatives of the university. The committee will include the Dean of Enrollment Management, Risk Management, Director of the Center for International Education and a representative from each of the colleges and Mission and Ministry. The primary responsibilities of the EAC will be:

   1. To review curriculum and risk management issues regarding study abroad, exchange programs, and other international academic and service initiatives of the university.
   2. To recommend affiliations with other study abroad programs and institutions.
   3. To coordinate and evaluate program review with the colleges.
   4. To review all study abroad policies and procedures and either refer them to the Provost or the appropriate committee for approval or to CIE for implementation.

4. Updates
   a. Yeditepe University is a new exchange program in Istanbul; all classes will be taught in English.
   b. Massey University exchange in New Zealand

5. Haiti trip led by Jean Montes was discussed. Ric Bell will look into this further.
6. Briefly discussed how credits are transferred to Loyola. Currently transferring courses in as p/f if from foreign institutions and does not average into GPA. Many schools evaluate grades and count in GPA. Wing Fok encourage students to explore the culture rather than spend all their time studying and felt that pass/fail was more appropriate. Danna will do more research for discussion at a later date.