

Committee on International Education  
2003-2004 Annual Report

1. During the course of the 2003-2004 academic year, the CIE held 8 one-and-half hour meetings. It invited several guests and visitors to discuss special topics. Issues discussed by the Committee and the actions taken included:
2. As the first action of the year, the CIE unanimously passed the following resolution: *The Committee on International Education recognizes and greatly appreciates late Director Ken Weisinger's tireless efforts and leadership in advancing Education Abroad on the Berkeley Campus in a period when it was undergoing great expansion.*
3. The Committee commented on a draft report on SARS Prevention Response Plan and communicated the need to address issues related to (a) international students arriving from affected countries, (b) international students returning home for summer vacation, (c) Berkeley students going abroad on EAP or other international programs, and (d) the need to broaden the plan to include other infectious diseases.
4. The Committee met with Ted Goode and Ivor Emmanuel, respectively the retiring and incoming Directors of SISS. The Committee was informed of the effect of the USA PATRIOT Act on the issuance of visas for new and returning international students and the actions taken by SISS to assist students.
5. The Committee revised the draft of Article 38 of the Senate Bylaws, which describes the structure and role of the Committee, in response to comments by DIVCO and other Senate Committees.
6. The Committee discussed shortcomings with the existing review process for EAP study centers and programs. The suggestions by the Committee were communicated to the system wide UCEAP, which adopted most of the recommendations from Berkeley, thus significantly improving the program review process.
7. The Committee discussed and responded to a request by Director John Marcum to comment on the plan to discontinue the EAP program in the Venice Architecture Institute (IUAV), where primarily Berkeley students participate. After discussing the issue with the appropriate architecture faculty, the Committee concurred with the Director's plan.
8. The Committee discussed and commented on a document entitled EAP Academic Integration Plan, prepared by UOEAP.
9. Upon the Committee's instructions, Chair A. Der Kiureghian and Director of BPSA I. Navarrete wrote a letter to the Senate Chair concerning the negative impact that Governor's proposed cap on the number of units with subsidized cost would have on education abroad programs. This memorandum was forwarded by DIVCO to the system wide Committee on Educational Policy.
10. Upon Committee's recommendation, Chair Der Kiureghian met with Jan Kieling of BPSA and Registrar Susanna Castillo-Robson to discuss the possibility of adding new fields to students' data base in order to provide more detailed information on students

returning from EAP, such as the nature of courses taken, credits given for the major, etc.. At present the record keeping is limited to recording transfer credits on their transcripts when students return from abroad. Registrar Costello promised to consider this request in the on-going revision of the data base software.

11. The Committee met with Judi Sui, Manager of Financial and Data Information, and Marc Goulden, Research Analyst, both from the Graduate Division, and with Ivor Emmanuel, Director of SISS, to discuss the findings of a survey on international students and scholars at Berkeley.
12. The Committee commented on the proposed 2004-2005 calendar.
13. At its last meeting, the Committee expressed its gratitude to retiring Dean David Leonard of International and Area Studies for his active participation in the meetings of the Committee and for his strong leadership and advocacy of international education. Chair Der Kiureghian, who served on the search committee for the new dean of IAS, regularly informed the Committee of the progress made in the search.
14. The Committee or its Chair responded to a number of requests from UOEAP on such matters as identifying candidates for program review committees, interview of candidates for study centers, and comments on draft documents.

In 2004-2005 academic year, the Committee will have a new chair, who will have her own priorities and interests in directing the course of CIE. Nevertheless, the Committee is expected to continue exploring ways to increase the participation of Berkeley students in EAP. Due to a cap imposed on EAP enrollments last year, the 2002-2003 Committee did not pursue efforts in this direction. However, the number of Berkeley applicants for EAP significantly dropped last year. Hence, a prime goal of the Committee next year may be to promote a wider participation in EAP by Berkeley students. It is also anticipated that issues related to the welfare of international students will require the Committee's attention. Finally, the Committee will be ready to advise, comment or act on issues related to international education that are brought to its attention by the Senate Chair, Senate committees, the system-wide EAP Committee, and the campus and UOEAP Administrations.

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