

Report of the Committee on International Studies, Sept. 1988 - Aug. 1989

The Committee on International Studies (ISC) advises the Director of International Studies, The Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences and the Provost on international education at the College. Additionally, the committee serves to oversee the international studies curriculum under the supervision of the Educational Policy Committee. During academic year 1988-89, three standing sub-committees reported to the ISC: Sub-committees on Curriculum, New Study Abroad Programs and Existing Study Abroad Programs. The Committee began the year with two ad hoc subcommittees, one on the International Relations Concentration and the other on the European Studies concentration. In February two additional ad hoc sub-committees were formed: one on Planning and Priorities and one to organize a conference on International Education in Higher Education in Virginia in the XXI Century under the sponsorship of the State Council on Higher Education in Virginia. The paragraphs below summarize the actions taken by the committee during 1988-89.

The Committee wishes to begin the report, however, with the observation that an important milestone for international studies was passed with the formal opening and dedication of the Reves Center for International Studies on April 13th and 14th, 1989.

1. Curriculum.

The Committee recommended, and the Educational Policy Committee approved, the creation of three new courses during the year.

The Committee approved the first experimental cornerstone course, International Studies 201, which was offered by Mr. Dessler in the spring of 1989.

The Committee recommended to the Educational Policy Committee the creation of a new course International Studies 390: Topics in International Studies. The first topics course to be given under this rubric is entitled "The Middle East: Society, Culture and Politics," to be offered in the spring term of 1990. The Committee approved funding for two summer grants for course development. The first was for the development of a course proposed by Professors Carla Buck, Elsa Diduk and Martha Houle concerning Women in France, Germany and Spain, to be offered for the first time in the spring term of 1990. The second was for the development of a second cornerstone or introductory course, by Ron Engard. The latter course is to be offered for the first time in the spring of 1990.

The Committee studied and recommended the institution of B.A. degrees in International Studies and International Relations, to replace the Interdisciplinary Studies designation.

2. Students.

The opening of the Reves Center residential complex allowed for the solicitation of applications for the first group of students for this international residence hall. There were 75 applications for the 54 spaces available.

Concentrators in International Studies: 1987-1991

<u>Class</u>	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991
<u>Total</u>	52	66	64	86 ¹	33 ²

In the fall of 1988, 24 foreign students, representing 21 foreign countries, enrolled in the college.

The Committee considered the problem of international relations concentrators being disenrolled from courses which are required for their concentrations, owing to the fact that they are not identified by the Registrar on the preliminary print-out of pre-registration requests for courses. Mr. Baxter, Mr. Haulman, Dean Lutzer and Mr. Savely worked out a temporary arrangement which should minimize the problem, but a permanent solution was not yet available, that is, software which would allow the Registrar to identify for the chairmen of affected departments, e.g., Government, History and Economics, which students from among those who have requested courses, are international relations concentrators. The Committee asked the Registrar to make this a priority in revisions to the registration software.

3. Study Abroad -- New Programs.

The Committee established a new procedure for soliciting and evaluating new study abroad programs. It then received several proposals for new programs and acted to offer some on an experimental basis and incorporate others into the regular study abroad menu.

The Committee approved a proposal from Professors Cole and Tarleton of the School of Business Administration for an experimental summer program in Denmark. The program was to be offered once and then evaluated by the School of Business Administration before being offered again. The program was offered in the summer of 1989.

¹ Includes some students who are officially seniors but are actually in the class of 1991.

² Does not include students who are abroad in Junior year; does not include students in this year group who have more than 84 credit hours.

The Committee approved a proposal for a summer program in Japan. The program was organized and proposed by Professor Tomoko Hamada. It will be held at a city in Ina City. The program is to be offered first in the summer of 1991, and the resident director for the inaugural summer will be Professor Junko Uzuhashi of the Department of Modern Languages.

The Committee approved as a regular summer program a course which had been offered once experimentally, a summer program in England focusing on Authurian Legend. The program was proposed by Professors Conlee and Jenkins of the English Department, is to be given no more often than every other year, will be offered during the time set aside for the first summer session so that it could be taken in tandem with the Cambridge program, and is to be offered in the summer of 1990.

The Committee reviewed and approved a proposal for a summer program in Lugano, Switzerland, using the facilities of Franklin College, designed along the lines of the Cambridge program, to be given for the first time in the summer of 1990.

In January, 1989, the College inaugurated its semester in Madrid program at St. Louis University, under the direction of resident director Carmella Hernandez.

4. Study Abroad -- Existing Programs.

The Committee selects faculty and students to participate in the study abroad programs sponsored by William and Mary. The Committee reviews these programs and the reports submitted by the resident directors at the conclusion of each program. The Committee also participates in interviewing and selecting students for various international scholarship programs.

The Committee reviewed and approved a proposal for the redirection of the Junior Year at Montpellier program. We have entered into a new two year contract with the Universit  Paul Val ry.

New arrangements were also made for the summer in Muenster program. Sweet Briar has replaced Vassar as a co-sponsor the summer program in Muenster. The 1989 program director was a William and Mary faculty member, Professor Elsa Diduk, and the 1990 program will be directed by a member of the Sweet Briar faculty.

Applications for W & M Overseas Programs: 1988-89

<u>Program</u>	<u>Applications Received</u>	<u>Applications Accepted</u>	<u># of Participants</u>
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Summer 1989 Programs:

Cambridge	50	46	44
Muenster	14	13	13
Florence	26	26	25

Statia	11	11	11
Montpellier	30	24	24

Semester and Year Programs (1988-89):

China	14	14	14
Montpellier	23	23	20
Muenster	4	4	4

Participation in W & M Sponsored Overseas Programs: 1985 - 1989

<u>Program</u>	<u>1985</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>	<u>1989</u>
Summer Programs:					
Cambridge	36	41	38	37	44
Summer in Denmark (School of Business Administration)					29
Florence	22	22	30	18	25
Montpellier	30	16	25	26	25
Muenster	14	10	10	10	13
St. Eustatius	--	<u>16</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>11</u>
Summer Programs Total	102	105	118	106	197
Year & Semester Programs					
Junior Yr in France	21	23	24	20	20
Junior Yr in Muenster	4	3	4	4	4
Fall Semester in China	--	--	7	8	cancelled
Spring Semester in Spain	--	--	--	--	<u>9</u>
Year & Semstr. Prg Total	25	26	35	32	33

William and Mary Students Abroad for the Academic Year

<u>1984 - 85</u>	<u>1985 - 86</u>	<u>1986 - 87</u>	<u>1987 - 88</u>	<u>1988 - 89</u>
56	64	75	81	85

An additional 31 W & M students enrolled independently in other U.S. college-sponsored programs abroad during summer 1989.

The following directors and instructors were appointed by the Committee for Summer 1990 programs:

Cambridge: Martin Mathes (Director); Richard Palmer, David Aday
Florence: Franco Triolo
Montpellier: Robert H. Welch
Muenster: Ron Horwege, Sweet Briar College

In 1988-89 faculty selection committees assisted the Director of International Programs in conducting interviews and selecting students for the following scholarships:

Rhodes: 12 Interviews by Campus Selection Committee
4 Nominations to the VA Selection Committee
1 Nomination to the South Carolina Committee
1 Nomination to the Pennsylvania Committee
1 Nomination to the Ohio Committee
1 Nomination to the Massachusetts Committee

4 State Selection Committee Interviews
2 District Committee Interviews

1 Rhodes Scholar: George "JR" DeShazo

Marshall: 11 Interviews by Campus Selection Committee
4 Nominations to Southeast Regional Committee
1 Regional Committee Interview
0 Marshall Scholars

Fulbright: 11 Interviews by Campus Selection Committee
All applicants forwarded to the National Selection Committee
1 Fulbright Scholar: Karen Burrell (W. Germany)

Exchange Scholar Selections made in 1988-89 for 1989-90 academic year:

Exeter Exchange: Christopher Gaffga
Muenster Exchange: Holly Lese
Nathan P. Jacobs Scholar: A. Noelle Borders

5. Ad Hoc Committee on the International Relations Concentration.

Early in the fall semester, the Committee conducted a survey of the students in the International Relations concentration to solicit their opinions about the strengths and weaknesses of the program. It also consulted with members of the faculty who had been active in teaching and in advising students who are in the program.

In an effort to provide greater academic rigor, a more intellectually coherent concentration and clearer guidelines for both students and advisors, the Committee recommended and the Educational Policy Committee approved a general revision of the International Relations concentration. Under the revised concentration requirements, students will be asked to identify one of a series of "tracks" which will provide a specialization within the concentration. The concentration will require each student to complete six core courses, and five more courses which are specific to his "track." Examples of the tracks to be offered are International Development, Political Economy and various geographic specializations, such as Africa, East Asia, Europe, and so on. Under the supervision of the Educational Policy Committee, the ISC will be responsible for maintaining and revising the new concentration requirements and for coordinating course requirements with the departments which offer the courses. The new concentration requirements took effect in the fall of 1989. The tracks available are listed in the catalog. The listing of all courses and tracks may be found in the annual report of the Educational Policy Committee, approved by the Faculty of Arts and Sciences at its February 1990 meeting.

6. Ad Hoc Committee on the European Studies Concentration.

The Committee considered, revised and reconsidered a proposal for a European Studies concentration and in April, approved the proposal in principle, pending the strengthening of the language requirement.

7. Ad Hoc Committee on the "Higher Education in the XXI Century: International Studies" Conference.

The Committee accepted an invitation from State Council on Higher Education's Commission on Higher Education in the XXI Century to plan and conduct a conference on International Education in Higher Education as one of five conferences to be held at universities and colleges in Virginia, and to prepare a report for the commission following the conference. Planning for the conference went on through the summer, and the conference was held at William and Mary in September of 1989.

8. Ad Hoc Committee on Planning and Priorities in International Studies.

The committee approved a proposal for a Commonwealth Center in International Studies at William and Mary. The proposal went forward from the College to the State Council of Higher Education, but was not funded. It finished high enough in the rankings, however, to give some hope that the proposal might be funded in the years ahead.

9. Commonwealth Seminars.

The Center for International Studies, the Committee and the School of Education cooperated in the planning and presentation of the second Commonwealth of Virginia

Seminar on World Affairs during the summer of 1989. These seminars bring together educators, area experts, government officials and business leaders from across Virginia. The first, held in the summer of 1988, was on East Asian Affairs. The topic in the summer of 1989 was Latin American Affairs, and Professors Ewell and Grayson were the principal organizers of the conference. A Third Commonwealth Seminar, on European Affairs, is being planned, for the summer of 1990.

Members of the 1988-89 Committee:

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Berhanu Abegaz

John Boon (Representative for VIMS)

James Bill (ex-officio - Director of the Reves Center)

Carolyn Carson (ex-officio - Director of International Programs)

Clayton Clemens

Doug Corkran

Stephen Field

Bruce Goodwin

Clyde Haulman (ex-officio - Dean of Undergraduate Studies)

Martha Houle

Laura Madoc-Jones

Linda Malone (Representative for School of Law)

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