

COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY
International Studies Committee
Annual Report 1999-2000

Major Events

Among the major events of the 1999-2000 academic year in International Studies were:

Mitchell B. Reiss assumed the directorship of the Reves Center as the new Dean of International Studies at the College .

Ann Moore retired after seven and a half years of service as the Director of Programs Abroad at the College. The new Director of Global Education, hired to succeed her, is Guru Ghosh.

The College's partnership with Keio University expanded in a number of ways this year. Subsequent to a meeting in August at the College involving some 30 W&M faculty, graduate students and administrators along with 8 Keio faculty and administrators, Provost Cell visited Keio SFC in January to meet the President of Keio University and sign a formal partnership agreement. This new agreement now features various collaborative projects involving faculty in a range of disciplines as well as administrators

A Student Advisory Committee on Study Abroad was appointed by the International Studies Committee. The Advisory Committee, composed of students who have previously participated in programs abroad, will serve in an advisory capacity, and as a liaison between the ISC, Reves, and College students interested in studying abroad.

A study abroad program at the University of Ghana was inaugurated, under the direction of Norma Day Vines, in the Summer of 1999. The College is pursuing an affiliation with North Carolina State in order to facilitate the continuation of this program.

Members of the International Studies Committee, 1999-2000

Arts and Sciences representatives: Brad Weiss (Chair), Kris Lane (Chair, Academic Programs Subcommittee), Martha Houle (Chair, Programs Abroad Subcommittee), Jonathan Arries , Kathleen Bragdon, Monica Kaup (Fall 1999), Anne Rasmussen (Spring 2000), Morton Eckhause, Talbot Taylor

Representatives of the Schools: Tom Collins (School of Law), Gail MacEachron (School of Education) Roger Mann (VIMS)

Ex officio members: Ann Moore (Fall 1999), Mitchell Reiss, Ann Marie Stock, Barbara Watkinson

Committee members are elected by the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. Representatives of the Schools of Business, Education, Law, and Marine Science are appointed by the respective deans of those schools. Student representatives are appointed to the committee by the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences upon recommendation from the Vice President for Student Affairs.

Responsibilities of the Committee

The International Studies Committee (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. The committee also supervises the curriculum in international studies and makes recommendations to the Educational Policy Committee.

Two subcommittees advised the International Studies Committee during the 1999-2000 academic year: the Academic Programs and Programs Abroad Subcommittee. Summaries of the subcommittee activities appear below.

I. PROGRAMS ABROAD

The College of William and Mary continues to offer a wide range of options for students who wish to study abroad, through programs both run by the College, as well as programs with which the College retains an affiliation. A total of 359 degree-seeking William and Mary students were served by the Reves Center while earning credit in another country between August 1999 and January 2000.

The most significant new program development in 1998-99 was the inauguration of a summer program in Ghana. Norma Day-Vines accompanied the first group of students to Legon where they spent four weeks at the University of Ghana taking courses in Ghanaian culture and society. Students were also required to develop research projects, and were able to carry out field research in Ghana on various topics. College students were further required to present their experiences in an information session on campus upon their return. Although the total number of students who participated in this inaugural program was low, the International Studies Committee sought to promote the possibility for study abroad in Ghana by approving an affiliation between the College and North Carolina State University which also runs a summer program in Legon. Ann

Moore, Norma Day-Vines and Brad Weiss met with representatives from NC State to draft a Memo of Understanding in support of this affiliation

The International Studies Committee also approved official affiliations for limited time periods with a number of active programs. These include the semester-long program in Florence run by James Madison University (affiliation to run from 1999-2001) and the Advanced Studies in England summer program in Bath (affiliation to run through summer 2001). Such affiliations allow William & Mary students to use their College financial aid sources, without precluding our own faculty from developing programs.

In 1998-99, 14 students participated in the Junior Year in Montpellier, France, under the supervision of Resident Director Beatrice Guenther; another 14 are currently studying with Resident Director Ron Hallett. Excellent numbers were seen in many summer programs as well. Twenty-one students participated in the 1999 Summer in Florence program under the direction of Carole Gallucci; 11 students participated in the Beijing program directed by Jonathan Noble; 14 students were enrolled in the Morelia program directed by Theresa Longo; and 45 students, an all-time high, signed up to study English literature with Director Chris MacGowan and Professor Colleen Kennedy in Cambridge. Further, we can report a significant increase in enrollments for the coming year: the Junior Year Abroad in Montpellier for 2000-01 will include 22 College students under the direction of Martha Houle, and the Florence program will take 31 students this summer under the direction of Theresa Johanssen.

Program Directors

1999 Summer Programs

Montpellier -- Ron Hallett

Morelia -- Theresa Longo

Ghana -- Norma Day-Vines

Florence -- Franco Triolo

Cambridge -- Chris MacGowan

1998-99 Junior Year in France -- Beatrice Guenther

1999-2000 Junior Year in France -- Ron Hallett

1999 Summer/Fall in China -- Jonathan Noble

II. ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

In 1997-98 the subcommittee continued to oversee the concentrations and minors in International Relations and International Studies, and to organize standing faculty committees for each of William and Mary's seven degree programs: African Studies, East Asian Studies, European Studies, Latin American Studies, Middle Eastern Studies, Russian Studies and International Relations. Concentration Faculty Advisory Committees (CFACs) in East Asian Studies, African Studies, Middle Eastern Studies, and Russian Studies were active during the 1999-2000 academic year. The Academic Programs Subcommittee continued to encourage the development of CFACs in European Studies, and International Relations. In response to this encouragement, the core faculty in the current International Relations Concentration have begun the process of streamlining the IR concentration so as to facilitate advising, and assure greater coherence and continuity for students.

African Studies

An African Studies Core Course proposed by the African Studies CFAC was passed by the ISC and approved by the EPC. The Core Course will be interdisciplinary and team taught by faculty in the African Studies CFAC. The CFAC has produced a new concentration pamphlet, and worked to assure the continuity of the new Program Abroad in Ghana.

Russian Studies

The Russian Studies CFAC hopes to broaden its program scope in the form of an East European/Russian Studies concentration. In line with this shift, the CFAC looks forward to working with Laurie Koloski, a specialist on 20th-century Poland recently hired in History.

Latin American Studies

Members of the Latin American CFAC participated in a May Seminar designed to streamline concentration requirements, simplify study-abroad course approval procedure, and improve interdepartmental faculty communication. The CFAC notes that the Summer study abroad program in Morelia, Mexico was a great success.

Middle Eastern Studies

The Middle Eastern Studies CFAC made efforts to expand course offerings, and is seeking out a viable study-abroad opportunity, possibly in Morocco. Middle Eastern Night, a student-driven event, has been a success in recent years.

East Asian Studies

East Asian Studies is healthy, and looking to strengthen representation for Korea. Study abroad programs in East Asia have been well enrolled and successful. Students' are quite active in language houses and clubs, and invited talks have been well received. The CFAC also sponsored a film festival.

Fifty-nine students concentrating in International Studies (International Relations and Area Studies combined) will graduate this spring.

Submitted by the International Studies Committee, 1999-2000

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