

**Advisory Committee on International Studies
Meeting notes May 2, 2007**

In attendance: Marie alice Arnold, Cori Filson, Deb Hall, Kate Leavitt, Leslie Mechem, Rajesh Nagarajan, Mary-Beth O'Brien, Paty Rubio

ACTION ITEMS:

Deb Hall will revise Recommendations from Reintegration Workshop and present to CEPP.

OIP will begin preparation of materials to reevaluate Approved Programs List in upcoming Academic Year.

Deb Hall will speak to CEPP regarding ACIS configuration.

employs a number of these activities but it should improve and enhance the opportunities. Of particular interest is student's completion of their post study abroad evaluation and the need to create a stick to get students to complete those evaluations. This is a serious concern with the

We would benefit from the use of online orientation sites. What is the cost? For examples please visit: <http://academic.hws.edu/pge/globe.html> and <http://academic.hws.edu/pge/infocus/vietnam/> Research indicates that these sites, which can include bibliographies, photos and recommendations, help to educate students and parents about the programs.

9) Require student evaluations

Student feedback is a valuable resource. Currently, students rarely complete an evaluation form. What steps can be taken to insure that students provide needed feedback about their experience and the program? Can these evaluations be required before the student registers? Before they graduate?

10) Resources and OIP

ACIS finally recognizes that OIP already services over 120 programs and special petitions, in addition to other responsibilities. Also, Skidmore, through OIP sent fifty-six percent of its student body to study abroad last year. ACIS asks that the administration and CEPP be mindful that these new initiatives, including the implementation of the NSE program, stretch an already small staff. Can a mechanism be established so interns could be used for OIP? Can faculty recommend outstanding students from London FYE for student employment at OIP?

Other suggestions included:

- Develop career opportunities and internships abroad enlisting the help of career services and alumni.
- Prepare a list of courses students can take upon