



GEAC Meeting

January 15, 2021

11:00am- 12:30 pm

Took place via Zoom

Members attended: Olga Nelson, Chandler Holland, Jacy Fry, Wade Davis, Rachel Sherlock, Erica Johnson, Mohamed Diab, Elizabeth Harsma, Sean Waschsmuth, Glen Poupore, Rama Mohapatra, Anne Dahlman, Anna Ochs, Elizabeth Finsness, Rama Mohapatra, Dan Benson, Jihad Adwan, Matt Loayza, Greg Wilkins

11 am Welcome and Setting the Stage

- Discussion on Technology (flex sync and online) on how it will affect programs especially with international students.
 - Wade let us know that the MAT and MBA programs are now going to be 100% online
 - Jacy vocalized that this will affect international students and that they are able to issue 1-20s for 100% online programs
 - Elizabeth Harsma asked about residency requirements
 - Jacy said that this is possible- 1-20's for certain short term time periods
 - Anne mentioned the tax implications that goes along with international students attending online program from home countries
- Anne let us know that overall the university has a whole is holding steady with enrollment. We are .6% down. Throughout the Minnstate system institutions are down even more.
- Current Strategic plan ends 2021. This fall we will begin to create the new strategic plan with our new mission and vision statements. Anne is proposing to enroll GE and the University in an Internationalization Lab with American Council of Education to facilitate the process.
- Thoughts on Mission and Vision:
 - Reminder that mission and vision are based on institutional *strengths*
 - American Council of Education has a comprehensive internationalization framework that can guide us in our work: <https://www.acenet.edu/Research-Insights/Pages/Internationalization/CIGE-Model-for-Comprehensive-Internationalization.aspx>
 - Internationalization and Globalization needs to be a university as a whole effort and it cannot just be housed in a few offices, but from the whole university.
 - Dean Loayza- we need to be intentional on how our collective works benefits the local community, state and country as a whole
 - Dominik – personalized stories- how international students affect the community, provide jobs and economic development, internship opportunities

11:15 am Updates from Centers

- CEAA – given by Director Erica Johnson
 - Erica will be sending out an email from the State Department webinar regarding risk management

- Study abroad is on hold for spring – interest for virtual is lower among current students
 - Working towards for planned and aligned virtual internships
 - Erica asked that college chairs heads to send Erica an email regarding internship requirements and contacts
- Summer is on hold. Still waiting from the systems office. Guidance was supposed to given the first week of January.
- Anticipating Fall and AY to be able to run
 - 32 current applications
 - Uptick in AY interest 15-16
- Most of the application are for our Exchange universities
- Working on more interdisciplinary programs and connections
- CEAA hired 3 returnee students to do outreach – new programs
 - Reach is also focused on new to MNSU students from New Student and Family Programs
- Fellowships, COIL and D&I online session will take place the end of January
- COIL release will be coming soon. The work group planning is going well and work group will be offered in the spring and fall.
 - Training will be done through CETL
 - A way to institutionalize our curriculum and
 - \$2,000 grant funding will be available
- Delegation Visits
 - Will continue this spring in Central and South America
 - Fall visits has shown a larger interest from Social Work, Family and Consumer Sciences and Human Performance. COB has and continues to be a strong partner
- KCISS provided by Jacy Fry
 - 1115 students are currently registered for courses
 - Fall application or next year are up 57%
 - Due to new outreach strategies
 - Deferrals from last year
 - GE has been able to award \$300,000 in emergency grants
 - 8 departments have employed 22 students with the new effort with GE and funding positions
 - Continuing collaboration with SACM
 - Working on getting back on the approved list of schools with Kuwait
 - This was due to English Proficiency and the amount of students we had previously received (they want to spread out where students attend)
 - We are working getting back on the Scholarship list for Qatari schools
 - Starting on January 26 everyone entering the US needs to have a negative covid test
 - The office is working hard and making more connections
 - 94 countries represented within international students
 - Referral incentive program
 - Scholarship incentive – for current students
 - If current students bring in an incoming student they will each received a scholarship

- Planning to roll out in February
- Student Association has until Feb 1 to provide feedback
- Students don't read emails! They use Instagram!

*Anne is going to share data of where our international students are enrolled

- CELP given by Glen
 - Fall 2020 and Spring 2020- offered full time study online programs
 - Large number deferred and are expecting a large number of students in the fall. Both degree seeking and exchange.
 - February- March 3 week program with 46 students from Chuo!
 - Out of the box thinking with recruitment
 - Going to be able to work with agents
 - 4 contracts about to be finalized – will be able to recruit both CELP and International students
 - A pathway program for graduate students is also being worked with.
 - Announcement from Olga
 - 6 in person students arrived for this semester and were able to get passports.
 - Partnerships with specific colleges are underway
 - Ability for students to shadow and audit courses

11:30 pm *Proposed revisions for new partnership development process*

- Anne is reviewing other universities for proposal forms. Using University of Montana as a template. Moving to a 6 step process that includes an online form