

Internationalization Task Force Subcommittees

Meeting: December 12th 2007

Agenda: Introduction

Members of the subcommittee

Charges

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- *Review student life-related issues, including how best to involve international students in curriculum and co-curriculum as well as in regional or local community*

No active mainstream organization for the international students

Domestic student may “adopt” international students

We discussed different strategies to get involve international students with the university and local community. Some of the strategies that we discussed include food festivals, movies from different countries and creating a network system between the university and potential families in the community that will be willing to foster international students.

- Identify opportunities and barriers for current international students, including availability of resources

There is a difference in the opportunities for international students between graduate and undergraduate students

Barrier: Housing

Barrier: Lexington is not well promoted in the international arena as a potential destination.

Barrier: Transport: drivers license, bus system, etc.

Opportunity: Lexington is a good place to learn a new language. Few citizens that speak foreign languages

Barrier: Tuition costs

- *Identify strategies for integration of experiences by Education Abroad returnees*

Encourages international students to create websites and post the experiences leaving and studying in Kentucky or abroad

Summarize the students learning outcomes

Financial problems associated with education abroad

Big issues for student BARRIERS for going abroad: Family and curricular issues, language and financial issues

Courses reciprocity

Co validation of the courses → reciprocity

Identify strategies to encourage the student to take language early in the career

Opportunity: find who is doing the things right with education abroad among the university of Kentucky community