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## MEMORANDUM

To: Administrative Boards of the College of Arts and Sciences  
From: Robert M. Jenkins, Chair, Study Abroad Advisory Board  
RE: Report on Review of Spring 2018 Proposals  
Date: April 11, 2018

The Study Abroad Advisory Board (hereafter, Advisory Board) met twice during the Spring 2018 semester, on March 5 and April 6, reviewing a total of seven program proposals. All proposals were approved. The proposals included faculty-led summer programs, exchange programs, and a direct enrollment program. Discussion of proposals is presented below and a summary is included at the end of this report.

Participating in these discussions were the following members of the Advisory Board:

Anthony Hackney (Exercise and Sport Science)  
Miguel La Serna (History)  
Richard Langston (Germanic and Slavic Languages and Literatures)  
Marcey Waters (Chemistry)  
Elaine Yeh (Biology)  
Jonathan Weiler (Global Studies)  
Robert Jenkins, Chair (Political Science)  
Jason Kinnear, *ex officio* (Study Abroad)

## Proposals

### 1. University of Mannheim Exchange

This program proposal continues to develop university ties between UNC-Chapel Hill and a university in participating in the UNC System/Baden-Württemberg Exchange Programs. We recently reviewed a similar program with University of Freiburg. Kenan-Flagler Business School has an agreement with University of Mannheim, which is the only university in Germany that currently operates on an academic calendar that corresponds to the UNC calendar (semesters beginning in August and January). The University of Mannheim has a long-standing reputation for excellence in the social sciences and teaches a wide number of courses in English. This exchange will be open to students from all majors in the College of Arts and Science. The

Advisory Board gave unanimous approval to the proposal.

## **2. Erasmus University of Rotterdam Exchange**

This proposed program develops a new relationship with a strong university in The Netherlands that has a number of English language programs. The exchanges is open to students from a number of majors. Currently primary interest comes from the Department of Economics, but majors in History, Art, Cultural Studies, and Communications would be able to take courses of interest. Kenan-Flagler Business School also has an agreement with Erasmus University of Rotterdam. The Advisory Board gave unanimous approval to the proposal.

## **3. Yale Summer Kiswahili Language Program in Arusha, Tanzania**

This proposal is an effort to increase opportunities for study abroad in Africa in collaboration with the UNC Center for African Studies. It takes advantage of a well-established African language-training program run by Yale University. The Yale Kiswahili Program will provide intensive language training at the intermediate language level in a field setting. The Program provides sufficient contact hours to qualify students for funding from the U.S. Department of Education Title VI Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship program. In addition to transfer (TREQ) credits, the Department of African, African American, and Diaspora Studies will give credit toward the Swahili language requirement. The Advisory Board gave unanimous approval to the proposal.

## **4. UNC in Netherlands Short Term Faculty-Led Program (Dutch Golden Age)**

This program proposal was developed in response to the 2017 call for proposals for new short-term proposals in the College of Arts and Sciences. This proposal has been developed by Dr. Dan Thornton, who also teaches Dutch language courses in the Department of Germanic and Slavic Languages and Literatures. It involves a new course, DTCH 275, to be taught on the study abroad program. The proposed program takes advantage of Amsterdam and other locations in The Netherlands to integrate experiential learning with the history and cultural heritage of the Dutch Golden Age. The Advisory Board originally reviewed the proposal during the Fall 2017 semester and asked for revisions in course requirements and a clearer academic focus. The revised proposal reflects these requests. The Advisory Board gave unanimous approval to the proposal.

## **5. UNC in London Short Term Faculty-Led Program (International Sports Management)**

This program proposal was also developed in response to the 2017 call for proposals for new short-term proposals in the College of Arts and Sciences. This proposal has been developed by Professor Barbara Osborne of the UNC Department of Exercise and Sports Sciences. The proposal is based on an existing course, International Sports Management (EXSS 223), though the course has not been previously taught on or off campus. The proposed program uses field experiences in London and Norwich, England, to provide experiential learning to supplement

concepts in international sports management. The Advisory Board originally reviewed the proposal during the Fall 2017 semester and asked for clarifications of course assignments, additional details on course topics, and information on the connection between field visits and topics. The revised proposal reflects these requested revisions. The Advisory Board approved the revised proposal, with the qualification that the program be evaluated after running in 2019.

#### **6. Pittsburgh Film Program in London (Direct Enrollment)**

This proposed program is initiated by the new concentration in Film Studies in the Department of English and Comparative Literature. The program will allow qualified students to take part in an established University of Pittsburgh program that utilizes the resources of Derek Jarman Lab and University of Birckbeck in London. The program involves a combination of film production and film criticism courses. UNC students will participate in direct enrollment, earning TREQ credits, with elective credit toward the concentration in Film Studies. The Advisory Board gave unanimous approval to the proposal.

#### **7. University of Limerick (Ireland) Exchange and Direct Enrollment**

This proposed program is a response to strong demand for programs in Ireland as well as interest in exchange programs expressed by the University of Limerick. The program is available to all students in the College of Arts and Sciences, though a number of majors may find the proposed program particularly attractive. Non-resident UNC students may prefer direct enrollment to lower tuition costs. The Advisory Board gave unanimous approval to the proposal.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert M. Quinn".

### Spring 2018 Approved Study Abroad Program Proposals

| <b>Program</b>   | <b>Begins</b>   | <b>Expected Number</b>    | <b>Credit Type</b>                                       | <b>Prerequisites</b>                               |
|--|---|---------------------------|--|--|
| University of Mannheim Exchange (Germany)                                      | Fall 2019 (year-long & semester)                      | 1-2 students per term     | Minimum of 12 TREQ credits                               | 2.75 GPA; sophomore status at time of study abroad |
| Erasmus University of Rotterdam Exchange (The Netherlands)                     | Fall 2019 (year-long & semester)                      | 1-2 students per term     | Minimum of 12 TREQ credits                               | 2.75 GPA; sophomore status at time of study abroad |
| Yale Tanzania Kiswahili Program  | Summer 2019   | 1-2 students per term     | 6 TREQ credits & language credit from Department of AAAD | 2.5 GPA; two semesters of college-level Kiswahili  |
| UNC in Netherlands Short Term Faculty-Led Program (Dutch Golden Age)           | Summer 2019   | 12-16 students            | DTCH 275   | 2.5 GPA; sophomore status at time of study abroad  |
| UNC in London Short Term Faculty-led Program (International Sports Management) | Summer 2019   | 12-20 Students            | EXSS 223   | 2.75 GPA; sophomore status at time of study abroad |
| Pittsburgh Film Program in London (Direct Enrollment)                          | Spring 2019 (semester program)                        | 1 student per semester    | 12 TREQ credits and elective major credit                | 2.75 GPA; sophomore status at time of study abroad |
| University of Limerick (Ireland) Exchange & Direct Enrollment                  | Spring 2019 (semester program); Fall 2019 (year-long) | 2-4 students per semester | Minimum of 12 TREQ credits                               | 2.75 GPA; sophomore status at time of study abroad |