

# **ACIP REPORT TO THE FACULTY SENATE**

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## **I. Students studying abroad through the CSU International Programs (IP) and fees**

**A.** The CSU IP currently operates study centers in 18 countries: Australia, Canada, Chile, China, Denmark, France, Germany, Ghana, Italy, Japan, Korea, Mexico, New Zealand, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Taiwan, and the United Kingdom.

**B.** 748 students applied for 2009-10 study abroad programs (excluding Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa, where the academic year there begins in January and hence have a different application cycle.)

671 have been accepted, of which  
27 are CSUN students. In comparison,  
174 students from San Francisco State,  
76 from Sonoma,  
64 from San Luis Obispo,  
57 from Long Beach, and  
47 from Chico will be studying abroad through CSU IP.

It will be great if we could recruit more CSUN students to participate and have a great educational experience through the CSU IP. The CSU IP offers a financially affordable program. The CSU IP is making every effort to contain the students' cost down with such measures as keeping the Study Abroad Fee (equivalent of campus-based fee) at the current rate of \$750, increasing the number of scholarships, and increasing one-on-one exchanges. The CSU IP is also making efforts to recruit underrepresented minority students.

## **II. Opportunities for faculty members through CSU IP**

### **A. Resident Directorships in 5 locations (China, France, Italy, Japan, Spain)**

The CSU IP will be soliciting applications for Resident Director (RD) positions in 5 countries: China, France, Italy, Japan, and Spain for 2011-12. The positions are 12 months (which will be 15% over the academic year appointment), full time appointment with 10% overseas stipend. The deadline is Dec. 1, 2009. Detailed information and last year's application form can be found at: <http://www.calstate.edu/ip/faculty/opportunities.shtml>. This year's application form will be posted in early Fall.

The CSU IP wishes to recruit more faculty members to apply. The IP would also encourage applicants to make themselves more competitive by improving their language ability, gaining administrative and fiscal experience, and actively involving themselves in international educational opportunities on campus.

## **B. Wang Faculty Stipend**

1. Four \$10,000 stipends are granted for research or teaching in China & Taiwan have been awarded annually since 2003. This opportunity will end in 2011-12. We usually receive over 20 applications. Applicants must have established a relationship with one of the following universities: National Taiwan, National Tsinghua, Peking, or Shanghai Jiao Tong. The deadline is also Dec. 1, 2009. More information can be found at: <http://www.calstate.edu/ip/faculty/wang-china-stipends.shtml>. This year's application form will be posted in early Fall.