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From: CSUN Academic Council International Programs (ACIP) representative

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I. Students studying abroad through the CSU International Programs (IP)

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. In 2010 IP received 777 applicants from all CSU and 662 students were accepted.

Accepted CSUN students for the 2010 Academic year were distributed as following: Australia 3, Canada 0, Chile 2, China 0, Denmark 1, France 6, Germany 0, Ghana 0, Israel 0, Italy 7, Japan 2, Korea 2, Mexico 0, New Zealand 1, South Africa 1, Spain 3, Sweden 1, Taiwan 0, UK 6 (4 Hall 2 Kingston).

II. ACIP recommends for recruitment at EOP and Financial aid offices. CSUN already has extended participation from minorities and underrepresented students due to recruitment.

CSUN IP coordinator Juliet Aylmer held several recruitment seminars and classroom visits during the 2010-2011 academic years, making contact with approximately 800 students. Sixty CSUN students applied for the CSU International Programs. About 50% of the CSUN students qualified for financial aid.

IP accepted 746 applicants from all campuses for the 2011-2012 academic year. In comparison to the 60 CSUN students, 166 students from San Francisco State, 85 from Sonoma, 72 from San Luis Obispo, 38 from Long Beach, and 16 from Chico applied for studying abroad through CSU IP. Northridge was ranked fourth in the number of students applied.

Lower Division requirements create some problems for student that have no major or students that were not able to take them. IP program is working also on the issue of different lower division requirements for different majors.

Fifty five students (55) CSUN students were accepted for the program as following (4th among CSUs): Australia 0 (none accepted because of balance\*), Canada 2 (Institutions may not accept because of balance), Chile 0, China 0, Denmark 3, France 7, Germany 3, Ghana 0, Israel 0, Italy 17, Japan 0, Korea 6, Mexico 3, New Zealand 0\*, S. Africa 0, Spain 8, Sweden 1, Taiwan 0, UK 5

\*Australia New Zealand is suspended for 2012 Academic Year

- III.
  - A. ACIP is in process establishing Spanish in Spain. Staff has already planned visits and review of potential sites.
  - B. Tsucuba University is explored as a potential second place for Japan.
  - C. Australia / New Zealand programs still has negative balance and will not accept students for the following years till there are more outgoing students from the Australia/New Zealand institutions.
  - D. Chile earthquake: All students were safe and they were contacted by IP program
  - E. State Warning about Mexico: There is a State Travel warning about Mexico, but IP program got exception for the program for 2010-2011. However, IP did not get exception for this year students may be placed in Spain.
    - State warning may affect campus programs if not obtain exception (Exception is requested by the Presidents for each Campus Program)
  - F. The French program in Aix-en Provence changed location and partners.
  - G. IP is trying to smooth operations regarding grade reportings and differences in the application process deadline among partners.
- IV. Japan Students were instructed to evacuate -- Dr. Goto RD in Japan was instrumental in assisting our students. Waseda University had not reopened by the time of the meeting (April 14).
- V. 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 2012/13.

The positions are 12 months full time appointment with 10% overseas stipend.

The deadline is December 1, 2011. Detailed information and previous years' application forms can be found at: <http://www.calstate.edu/ip/faculty/opportunities.shtml> . This year's 뭉 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.

ACIP and FAC committee encourages potential RDs to get involved with IP on Campus and especially with the students interviews.

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During Spring 2011 there were 24 applicants for resident directors and Faculty Affairs Interviewed 14 of them for the 2012/2013 academic year. China 3 of 5, France 3 of 3, Italy 2 of 3, Japan 2 of 2, Spain 3 of 5.

B. Wang Faculty Stipend: Four \$10,000 stipends are granted for research or teaching in China & Taiwan have been awarded annually since 2003. Faculty Affairs 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 new deadline is also December 1, 2011. More information can be found at:

<http://www.calstate.edu/ip/faculty/wangchinastipends.shtml> .

As always, the current year application form will be posted in early Fall.

There were 19 Applicants for the Wang scholarship 4 were selected

- VI. A. There is exploration to reinstate Israel Program (Cost and prior participation were evaluated along with the continuous State Department Travel warning). IP is also exploring funding for external sources.
- B. Budget cuts may lead to Resident Directors position eliminations and maybe even programs, that will restrict opportunities for faculty and students.
- C. IP Fee is still the same (participants pay a \$750 study abroad fee), but if there more system cuts it may increase.