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MEMORANDUM

To: Deans, Department Heads, Directors, and West Lafayette campus faculty

From: Andrew R. Gillespie, Associate Dean of International Programs

Date: January 22, 2008

Re: Spring Grants for Study Abroad and International Learning (SAIL)

The Office of International Programs is pleased to announce the Spring 2008 SAIL grant competition for development of study abroad programs for Purdue students on the West Lafayette campus. Through resources provided by the Office of the President to increase study abroad participation, this program will provide awards to academic or research units through individual faculty or groups of interdisciplinary faculty for the development of study abroad components for existing and/or new courses or projects. Although faculty from all departments are encouraged to apply, priority will be given to those faculty and staff in units not yet having established faculty-led study abroad or student exchange programs within their unit (list provided below).

Awards are intended as seed money, and will generally be in the range of \$5000-\$7000. This year's grant competition is intended to support <u>strategic</u> initiatives within and across academic and research units to develop overseas educational/research programs for students and to <u>integrate these into our curriculum</u> in ways which promote sustainability.

"Strategic" refers to the degree to which a proposal fits with an already-articulated plan within a college, center, or department for internationalization, or the degree to which a proposal helps to develop such a plan. "Curricular integration" refers to the extent to which proposed courses or research internships become an integral part of your unit's offerings, so students can participate without adding to graduation time or incurring other penalties. "Sustainability" refers to both the longevity of the program through time, and its long-term financial viability. Faculty should coordinate program development with their respective unit heads and college (or center) International Offices or Deans tasked with international planning.

Deadlines:

For this competition, interested faculty should submit a three-page proposal by February 29. From these submissions, our office will select a subset of workable proposals and meet individually with faculty investigators to develop a detailed proposal for final acceptance and grant award by April 1.

A proposal should include the following:

- A description of the program or course being proposed and where it fits in the curriculum or research training;
- An explanation of how this program or course fits into a departmental or unit strategic plan for internationalization;
- An outline and timeline of the activities to be undertaken under the grant, together with the names of the faculty members responsible for these activities;
- A projection of the number and type of students who will participate in the program;
- A discussion of how the program will be made sustainable; and
- A budget.

Grant funds are for the development of new study, work, or research abroad initiatives, and typically support faculty travel for program development or execution. Once initiated, such programs are normally expected to continue through time without additional financial support from International Programs, although exceptions are sometimes made for special circumstances. A short report will be required after travel or program completion.

These funds are not intended for student support. Funds for student travel grants for overseas study or research are applied for separately, by the students themselves, and are administered through our Office of Study Abroad. The process is easy and straightforward, and more information can be obtained from Dr. Brian Harley, Director of Programs for Study Abroad.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Dean of International Programs if you have questions (4-9399).

Units not having faculty or staff-led study abroad programs or strategic semester or year-long exchanges embedded in the curriculum:

Agronomy
Biochemistry
Biomedical Engineering
Construction Engineering
Environmental and Ecological Engineering
Nuclear Engineering
Anthropology
Philosophy
Political Science
Sociology

Biological Science
Chemistry
Mathematics
Physics
Statistics
Earth and Atmospheric Sciences
Mechanical Engineering Technology
Vet Technology
Visual and Performing Arts

