University International Education Committee
Meeting Minutes

April 23, 2010
Present: Sue Price (chair), Yuanyuan Hu (secretary), Donna Anderson, Barb Daus, Rebecca Gottlieb, Hong Teng, and Eugene Alcalay.

I. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 12:05 PM

II. Approve minutes from February 26, 2010 meeting
Eugene moved and Hong Teng seconded. Minutes were approved.

III. Announcements
   a) Progress of Rebecca’s conversation course
Rebecca announced that UWP Study 3010/5010 Conversational American English for International Students has to the UUCC on the first reading. It will be a permanent course starting from the fall 2010 semester once it is finally approved.

   b) Education Abroad Search and Screens Update
Donna provided updates on the two positions in the Study Abroad Office. The search for the coordinator position went well. Three finalists have been chosen out of 173 applicants. Their campus interviews have been scheduled on May 11-13. The other position (replacing Russ Braby) was approved on April 22, 2010.

   c) SAMSA Update
Donna provided updates on SAMSA. Eugene has submitted the draft SAMSA for the music major. The BILSA is close to finishing SAMSA.

   d) Advising of Education Abroad Seminars (EMS & BILSA) plus presentations to Chancellor’s Cabinet and BILSA Dean’s Cabinet
Donna gave presentations on education abroad to the EMS and BILSA faculty and also Chancellor’s Cabinet and BILSA Dean’s Cabinet. Attendees found these presentations useful and eye-opening.

   e) STFL Workshop on May 14
Donna announced that the STFL workshop will be held on May 14 from 9:00 to 12:00 in the PSC Wisconsin Room. All faculty interested in leading a short-term study abroad are required to attend.

IV. Old Business
   a) Feedback on March 5 workshop
Sue commented that the workshop had many positive effects. Barb mentioned there were good comments about the workshop, and Sarah (the guest speaker) enjoyed the workshop. Rebecca recommended more support for faculty to lead a short-term study abroad, e.g., release time.

V. New Business
   a) International Ed portion from draft of General Ed requirements
Rebecca pointed out that according to the draft of general education requirements, there will be no double counting courses; in other words, students can use one course to fulfill one general education requirement only. Rebecca commented that this change may have impact on international education general education courses. The committee discussed the changes in the draft of general education requirements. Rebecca motioned that the UIEC requested that the committee have input in the approval process of a new international education course. Teng seconded. The motion was approved by the committee. Barb recommended the committee chair contact Shane Drefcinski for the motion.

b) Assessment Activity Fund Proposal – “Global Perspectives Inventory for assessing student learning outcomes in Education Abroad”

Donna submitted an Assessment Activity Fund proposal titled “Global Perspectives Inventory for assessing student learning outcomes in Education Abroad.” The proposal is under review. If the proposal were funded, it would be piloted next summer.

c) Educators Abroad partnership (student teaching abroad opportunities)

Donna introduced the partnership with the Education Abroad in Minnesota. Education students now have opportunities to teach overseas to complete all or portion of their student teaching requirements. The overseas teaching opportunities were set up following the DPI requirements. Students who are interested in the opportunities will work with the School of Education Clinical Experience office, the Study Abroad office, and the Education Abroad.

d) Education Abroad Marketing at Pioneer Passages/“Next Steps” Panel

Donna announced 3 ways to promote education abroad at Pioneer Passages: 1) a flyer in the folders to be distributed to new students; 2) table at Ullsvik Center; and 3) represented on the “Next Steps” panel.

e) Agenda for the 2010-2011 Academic Year

Barb proposed that the committee reflect on the past year and set focus for the next year.

- General education requirements revision (Barb)
- SAMSA (Donna)
- Workshops (similar to March 5 workshop) (Barb)
- Faculty awareness and engagement (Sue)
- Attitude of the parents of First-generation students toward education abroad (Rebecca)

Sue pointed out that the 2010-2011 academic year will be a critical year with our new chancellor.

VI. Adjournment

Sue motioned, Teng seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 1:00PM.