

International Education Committee
Annual report to Faculty senate 2022 – 23
Submitted by Dr. Sourav Chakraborty, Chair

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The IEC held a total of five online meeting during 2022-23 academic year. Sourav Chakraborty and Silvia Corbera-Lopez were elected as chair and secretary in September 2022.

1. Course Abroad

The CIE provided regular reports regarding study and course abroad programs. Number of course abroad courses has increased after pandemic. Both Course and Study abroad programs are actively promoted at CCSU although funding sources are becoming limited.

IEC in collaboration with CIE organized a hybrid workshop in February for faculty to help with course abroad workshop proposals. We have both in-person and virtual attendance. There were about 15 – 20 people in attendance.

2. Funding Exploration Committee

IEC has formed an ad-hoc subcommittee to work with Drs. John Tully and CIE to explore new funding options to support CCSU students for study and courses abroad. This committee will keep exploring internal and external funding options to help students travel. The committee came up with five specific action items that they would like to work on during next semesters.

3. International Studies Program

Nothing significant to report.

4. Faculty International Travel Grant (Hyundai grant)

This grant is cancelled this year due to funding uncertainties.

5. IEC By-Laws change

Upon recommendation from Committee of committees IEC voted on a By-laws change to add a meeting date and time for regular meeting in academic semesters. The proposed changes will be communicated with Committee on committees.