

**Study Abroad Advisory Committee Meeting**  
**October 20, 2015**  
**1:00 – 1:35 pm.**

**NOTES**

**Present:** M. Ebiner (Natural Sciences), X. Herrera (Behavioral and Social Sciences) , M. Stallings (Industry and Technology)

**Absent:** L. Alamillo (Fine Arts), E. Berman (Humanities), J. Troesh (Business)

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**Announcements**

G. Miranda announced that J. Troesh will be joining the advisory committee representing the Business Division. He had a scheduling conflict today as did L. Alamillo and E. Berman fulfilling campus and departmental meeting obligations.

**Florence Update**

M. Stallings updated the committee on initial recruiting efforts. The first meeting which was held on October 13<sup>th</sup> had a large turnout of students interested in the program. M. Stallings estimated that close to 40 students attended the first session. Also present to provide information were two representatives from Financial Aid. A discussion ensued on the program itinerary.

The next meeting will be held tis Thursday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 60 in ITEC 206.

**Scholarships Foundation Meeting**

G. Miranda informed the committee that she had met with the Foundation Office director, Andrea Sala, to discuss establishing a study abroad scholarship. Before her departure, former director, K. Gleason had indicated that the Foundation could provide \$5000 in seed money for a scholarship. A. Sala indicated she was supportive of this request.

G Miranda also indicated that students can apply for a Benjamin Gilman International Scholarship. This is a competitive national scholarship but if students are interested they should apply.

**Future Sites**

G. Miranda will be sending out a campus email before semester's end inviting faculty to submit proposals for a winter 2017 study abroad program. Committee members discussed possible non-European locations.

For summer 2017 two locations will be considered with one in Europe and a second in another area of the world in an effort to promote diverse locations for study abroad.

G. Miranda will check contractors who offer programs I non-European locations to get an estimate of potential costs for future study abroad programs.

An additional committee meeting will be scheduled next month.

**Meeting adjourned:** 1:35 p.m.

