Senate Enrollment Committee Meeting March 1, 2019, Senate Conference Room

2018/2019 Enrollment Committee Members Present:

*Gustavo Nanclares, Chair Literature, Cultures, and Languages, absent *Jack Clausen, Natural Resources and the Environment

*Preston Green, Educational Leadership, absent *Mark Zurolo, Art and Art History, absent

Tracie Borden, Waterbury Campus

Pam Diggle, Ecology & Evolutionary Biology

Nathan Fuerst, VP for Enrollment Planning & Management (Ex-Officio) Eva Gorbants, School of Fine Arts Academic Advisory Center, absent

Vern Granger Office of Admissions

Avishan Montazer Undergraduate Representative, absent

Mansour Ndiaye, CLAS Academic Services

Nella Quasnitschka, Early College Experience, absent

Brian Rockwood, Registrar's Office

Susana Ulloa, ISS Academic Program Center, absent

- 1. Review of past minutes (November 9, 2018). The minutes for the Nov 9, 2018 as modified were approved and a copy will be forwarded to Cheryl Galli. The partial minutes for the Nov 30, 2018 were discussed with a request for additional input from the members.
- 2. Update on action items from last meeting
- a. Guest Suzanne Peters, director of the Office of Financial Aid Services, joined the committee to explain the implications of study abroad and financial aid. Aid is often based on tuition costs but not on some of the fees. Federal Title IV student aid funds, including loans and grants, may be used for tuition, mandatory fees, and room and board if contracted with the university. Institutional gift aid such as merit scholarships may not be applied to education abroad fee programs. A student may use the merit-based admissions scholarship toward Education Abroad programs which charge UConn tuition only. (Ask Matt which are the fee-based programs??) Need-based programs??
- b. Committee members reported on how students in their respective units engage with enrollment abroad, and what were the principal obstacles when they do not study abroad. M. Ndiaye discussed enrollment abroad in CLAS. There is not a lot of financial support for students to engage in enrollment abroad, although the dean has some resources. There was a goal to remove barriers to obtaining equivalents with education abroad. Apparently there is a database in CLAS of enrollment abroad courses already evaluated as equivalencies. There also was a database in Education Abroad. This was intended to be a workflow with faculty evaluators in departments. But work on the database may have been halted. (Inquire with Matt Yates???). T. Borden discussed enrollment abroad activities at the regional campuses. Some of the regional campuses have dedicated individuals to assist in study abroad (e.g. Waterbury), while others do not. Students seem to obtain most of their information from other students. In Waterbury, when students return from enrollment abroad, they are required to have two students meetings where they share their experiences. There are several obstacles for regional campus students to participate in enrollment abroad. a). The majority of regional campus students work, b.) parents often are not encouraging and may have some fears of study abroad, and c.) some students have their own fears about going abroad. J. Clausen discussed study abroad activities in the

CAHNR. There are some examples of programs in the college that draw the most students at UConn including the South Africa trips. However, rising costs of enrollment abroad, especially when including faculty salaries, are becoming barriers. There was some discussion of the success at Purdue University.

Committee members were interested in additional information about participation in enrollment abroad programs by school or college, and where are they going? Members suggested **contacting Lloyd Blanchard and Lauren Jorgensen** of OIRE to obtain such information and obtain assistance in requesting the correct parameters.

5. Other Business

The next regular scheduled meeting is April 5, 2019, perhaps to discuss the early college experience enrollment with Brian Boecherer. The final meeting of the semester will be May 3, 2019. At that meeting members would like to discuss recruitment of underrepresented students with Vern Granger and summer/winter programs with Peter Diplock. Nathan Fuerst will also be able to provide admissions numbers after May 1st.

6. Adjournment

Mission (From the Senate Bylaws)

Enrollment

This committee shall propose legislation within the jurisdiction of the Senate and make recommendations on all matters relating to the recruitment, admission, enrollment, and retention of an outstanding and diverse student population.

The committee shall include two undergraduate students.