

Charges for the International Education Council (IEC) 2005-06

In addition to standing charges and issues related to the mission of the council, the Executive Board charges the International Education Council with the following:

1. Investigate how WMU is currently serving the academic and other needs of our international students.
2. Study the feasibility of offering some degree programs overseas, through “franchise” arrangements. Give some information on the practical means by which this might be done, and evaluate the pros and cons for WMU as much as possible.
3. Study and report on how WMU students who study abroad are awarded academic credit hours, and how they apply to programs and/or requirements.
4. Examine potential strategies for the “internationalization” of WMU, and recommend steps to meet the University’s stated mission of being internationally engaged.
5. Review the structure and functioning of the IEC as part of the periodic Senate review mandated by our constitution. In this connection, the IEC will work with a committee being chaired by Mary Lagerwey.

The council is free to determine the specifics of how to address these charges, and how it assigns priority among these and other tasks it wishes to engage in through the course of the year. We ask the IEC to keep the Executive Board apprised of progress, especially in connection with any memorandum of action (MOA) which may develop, and to give ample notice of intent to bring action or reports to the full Faculty Senate.

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