WMU Faculty Senate International Education Council (IEC) Charges for 2023-24

Osama Abudayyeh will serve as the Faculty Senate Executive Board representative on IEC

In addition to its specific responsibilities listed in the International Education Council's role statement and the work of its standing committees if such exist, the Faculty Senate Executive Board charges the IEC to consider, as a committee of the whole or through the appropriate committee or task force, the following:

- 1. Increase contact and collaborations with college-level international committees.
- 2. Promote greater internationalization of individual, college level, and WMU Essential Studies curriculum and faculty research by a) developing and recommending mechanisms to encourage faculty to develop and/or participate in bringing global perspectives to teaching, scholarship, and research; b) collaborating with the provost's office and the Office of Research and Innovation.
- Develop and recommend best practices for ensuring that international students at WMU are made
 to feel welcome and directly connected with U.S. based students in real and meaningful ways.
 Conclude the initiative by producing a report to the Executive Board or a Memorandum of Action.
- 4. Collaborate with the Graduate Studies Council and the Undergraduate Studies Council to provide recommendations on how to best support faculty in the area of global learning (e.g., global classrooms, virtual study abroad, and internationalized curriculum). Conclude the initiative by producing a report to the Executive Board or a Memorandum of Action.
- 5. Review WMU's partnership with Podium Education regarding the Global Tech program and the subsequent pilot study. Make recommendations on further collaborations. Conclude the initiative by producing a report to the Executive Board or a Memorandum of Action.
- Develop best practices for curriculum enriching and integrated study abroad programs, including
 creating recommendations for college curriculum committees on how to assess study abroad
 course proposals. Conclude the initiative by producing a report to the Executive Board or a
 Memorandum of Action.
- Encourage utilization of external campus resources and innovative programs (Institute of International Education (iie) Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence Program, iie Scholar Rescue Fund, and reciprocal faculty exchanges with international partners) to increase the number of international scholars on WMU's campus.
- 8. Review the scope and description of the council's role statement and assess the effectiveness of the council's practices.
- 9. At the annual April IEC meeting, the council members must review the draft year-end report, to be submitted to the Faculty Senate office, by the council chair no later than June 30.
- 10. Address any continuing or outstanding issues or initiatives as directed by the Faculty Senate Executive Board, members of the council, faculty, and/or academic administrators. Conclude the initiative by producing a report to the Executive Board or a Memorandum of Action.

NOTE: The IEC will seek information from the Haenicke Institute for Global Education (HIGE) to maintain communications with that office on issues directly related to it. Council recommendations are to be submitted to the Executive Board in the form of a memorandum of action (MOA) on which the recommendation(s) is/are stated. Any draft MOAs requested by the Executive Board should be submitted using the MOA template.

The IEC chairperson shall provide a written report of the council's accomplishments and progress for the year; list the above charges noting each item's progress and current status; any other activities undertaken; and draft charges for the 2024-25 academic year, no later than June 30, 2024.