

## Committee on Faculty-Led Short-Term Study Abroad Programs

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Four programs were successfully offered for winter 2022 and four for summer 2023. The committee met in the fall semester to evaluate proposals for Winter 2023. Only one proposal was submitted, Economic Development, Tourism, and Sustainability in Costa Rica with Melanie Marks. The committee sent the program to the Provost with recommendation for approval.

The committee met in the spring semester to evaluate programs for Summer 2024. The committee had already approved the postponement of one other program to Summer 2024 due to COVID cancellations, Children's Culture and Place (Croatia and Serbia) with Jennifer Miscec.

Eight additional proposals were submitted for consideration for Summer 2024.

- African Faces and Voices with Phillip Cantrell
- Children's Culture and Place (revised at University of Osijek) with Jennifer Miscec and Ronda Scarrow
- A Comparative Study of Sport in the UK with Jake Milne
- Global Health and Wellness with Kimberly Little
- Integrated Perspectives of Global Healthcare (two proposals, one in United Kingdom and one in Australia) with Jennifer Cuchna
- Spanish Perspectives in Valencia with Annette Rosado-Figueroa and Janet Smith
- Thailand – Introduction to Southeast Asia with Melanie Marks

The committee decided to send four new programs to the provost with recommendations for approval for Summer 2024; those included

- Australia: Integrated Perspectives of Global Healthcare with Jennifer Cuchna
- Guatemala: Global Health and Wellness with Kimberly Little
- United Kingdom: A comparative Study of Sport in the UK with Jake Milne
- Spain: Spanish Perspectives in Valencia with Annette Rosado-Figueroa and Janet Smith
- Croatia and Serbia: Children's Culture and Place (original version)

These programs were chosen for a number of reasons, including strength of proposal, geographic diversity, overall ability to make recruitment projections given enrollment challenges, and disciplinary diversity/new faculty involvement. The committee recommended approving Melanie Marks's Thailand – Introduction to Southeast Asia for Summer 2025 and suggested offering it every other year to allow for more diversity in faculty and location. Finally, the committee recommended that faculty revise and

resubmit in subsequent application cycles proposals for African Faces and Voices with Phillip Cantrell and the revised Children's Culture and Place at University of Osijek with Jennifer Miskec and Ronda Scarrow. Both programs have wonderful potential with further development. Director of Study Abroad Emily Kane will correspond with all proposers to explain the committee's determinations, and will work with each to address committee feedback in moving forward or to revise and resubmit for future terms.

Respectfully submitted by,  
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