

Academic Programming Committee Task Group

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We discussed questions we will have for Paulo this Thursday, including:

What does it mean to be a “partner” university?

What benefits do we, or they, derive from the relationship?

Are there any such relationships outside OIP?

(Perhaps Mansfield Center?)

Do we track faculty members that visit here (what are the numbers like)?

What are the Study Abroad Goals for UM??

How important are faculty-directed programs?

Where does the ELI fit in??

How does our connection with Peace Corps training figure in IP activities?

What are the dimensions (and future goals) for graduate student involvement?

What are YOUR goals for OIP??

On Tuesday next we will interview VP Scott Whittenburg about Interdisciplinarity (I have contacted Vice Provost Arlene Walker-Andrews to see if she can join us too)

Questions we started discussing on interdisciplinarity:

Does the research office track interdisciplinary research efforts (grant funded or otherwise)?

How much research is done in, or in collaboration with folks in other countries?

What policies are in place – if any – to describe the financial splits that would support interdisciplinary research grant IDCs?

Is your office open to seed grant programs?

How do centers contribute to inter- or multidisciplinary work?

How good are internal communications to help faculty know about options for collaboration?

What about a faculty database?

How do we recognize interdisciplinary accomplishments in the FEC process, in other ways?

Should interdisciplinary be another name for Gen Ed?

There are some good examples that might be fleshed out with business and with Journalism

We will break up into 3 groups to pull together the info and draft a summary report for each of our three areas. Those expressing their affinities so far are: Steve Sprang and Marty Blair for Interdisciplinarity, Camie Foos for international, Ray Ekness for online. We need the others to assort themselves along these three groups so we can quickly reach the finish line.