SPECIAL REPORT

of the

RULES COMMITTEE

concerning

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AD HOC COMMITTEE
ON THE
COORDINATING FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES
OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS OFFICE

Presented at the
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International education has long been recognized as a significant strength of the University of Massachusetts Amherst. However, changes in the international environment, methods of international education, and campus funding mechanisms have raised a number of complicated issues which must be addressed rapidly if international education programs are to thrive in the future.

For these reasons, the Faculty Senate hereby establishes an Ad Hoc Committee on the Coordinating Functions and Responsibilities of the International Programs Office. Its charge is to:

1) Deliberate the specific meaning and impact of the proposed policy that “all overseas study programs must be coordinated through the International Programs Office (IPO);”
2) Recommend a policy, based on the above deliberations.

Membership on the Ad Hoc Committee shall consist of:

1) Seven At-Large Faculty Members or Librarians (from different Schools and Colleges), selected by the Committee on Committees;
2) The Chair of the International Studies Council (ISC);
3) Three additional Members of the International Studies Council (ISC), selected by the Chair;
4) A Member of the Rules Committee, selected by the Chair of the Rules Committee;
5) The Provost or a designee;
6) The Director of IPO, serving ex officio;
7) The Vice Provost for Outreach and Director of Continuing Education, serving ex officio;
8) The Secretary of the Faculty Senate, serving ex officio;
9) Three Members of the IPO staff (non-voting), selected by the Director of IPO;
10) One Undergraduate Student and One Graduate Student, selected by the Secretary of the Faculty Senate;
11) The Five College Coordinator or a designee;
12) An Alumnus of the Study-Abroad or Foreign Student Program; and
13) The Director or representative of “Forum on Education Abroad” (non-voting).

The Ad Hoc Committee Chair shall be a faculty member or librarian elected from among its regular voting members.

A progress report (or a final report) is due at the first meeting of the Faculty Senate in the Fall 2004 semester on September 23, 2004. A final report is due at the Faculty Senate meeting of December 16, 2004.

MOVED: That the Faculty Senate establish an AD HOC COMMITTEE ON THE COORDINATING FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS OFFICE for a term of one year (renewable), as presented in Sen. Doc. No. 04-043A.