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During the academic year of 2006-2007, the International Studies Council, in close cooperation with the International Programs Office, evaluated and approved several agreements with universities in other countries, discussed and approved many proposals for courses which included international travel, undertook a review of its procedures, scheduled a special session with administrators, and continued reflecting upon the Council process itself. This report will present only some of the highlights of the various activities of the Council during 2006-2007.

- The Council reviewed and approved agreements for exchange and cooperation with several universities including: Scuola Superiore di Lingue Moderne per Interpreti e Traduttori at The University of Bologna (Italy); Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro (Brazil); and Universidade Federal do Paraná in Curitiba (Brazil);
- The Council discussed, evaluated, and approved academic programs which involved international travel, for example, in Argentina (Latin American Studies), Mexico (Astronomy), Spain (Spanish Literature and Language), and Brazil (Business and Management);
- The Council, in cooperation with the International Programs Office, brought to completion a Faculty Guide for the design and implementation of academic programs with an international dimension;
- The Council discussed several issues surrounding visa fees as they pertain to hiring procedures, administering searches, publicizing positions, and deliberations concerning candidates from non-US countries;
- The Council requested and held a very productive special session with Provost Seymour and Vice President Williams concerning the international mission of the university, resources available to achieve such a mission, and special initiatives of this kind;
- The Council continued reviewing its processes and procedures including its role in International Education Week, and the ways it approves the various proposals which come its way.

The Council looks forward to continuing its efforts in internationalizing the campus, its members, and programs.

Respectfully submitted,

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