MOVING THE FIELD FORWARD: WORK OF THE FORUM COUNCIL AND COMMITTEES

2017 Forum on Education Abroad Annual Conference
Introductions

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• Bradley Rink, University of Western Cape: Chair, Curriculum Committee
• Julia Wheeler, DIS: Member, Data Committee
• Melissa Torres, GVI: Chair, Outcomes Assessment & Research Committee
• Brian Brubaker, Pennsylvania State University: Member, Forum Council & Chair, Standards Committee
Today’s Session

- Committee Updates
- Roundtable Discussions
- Wrap Up Discussion
Advocacy

The Advocacy Committee provides resources and tools to help education abroad professionals make the case for the value of education abroad with critical on-campus constituencies.
Members

Advocacy Committee

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Key Projects & Ideas

• Updating resources to the Clearinghouse
  • Seeking out resources on a regular basis
  • Developing a new section focused on health and safety resources

• Develop a “start up” resource
  • In early stages but initial plans include a targeted strategy for 2 year institutions and addressing how to advocate for institutional resources
  • Working on gathering data to inform the scope and specific content

• Working Group on Strategic Communication for Health & Safety
  • Helping develop new section of Clearinghouse
  • Looking for new ideas
Curriculum

The Curriculum Committee seeks examples of and develops resources on best practices in the academic design of education abroad courses and programs.
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Committee ‘Buckets’

- **Dialogue & Publications**: Identify venues for stimulating and disseminating dialogue on curriculum design and development, innovative pedagogies, and the meta-curriculum of education abroad.
  - Ex. Forum Focus, scholarly journals, Forum website, & social media platforms.
  - Group members see projects through from inception to publication, and manage platforms for dialogue, though content can (and should) be generated from across the committee and the field at large.
- **Faculty Development**: Develop trainings and workshops for faculty involved in education abroad, in the US and abroad.
  - Identify thematic content, facilitators, target locations and dates; Forum staff will take on point on implementation.
- **Building Bridges**: Connect with peer organizations working in related areas, e.g. ACE and AAC&U
  - Identify areas of synergy, related content and initiatives, and relevant best practices, and disseminates through channels established by the Dialogue and Publications team.
Data

The Data Committee seeks to expand the scope of data collection and analysis in the field through a variety of initiatives. It is charged with the development of new and effective methodologies for collecting quantitative and qualitative data about education abroad, including data about student participation, program characteristics, and issues and topics in the field.
Members

Michele Scheib, Mobility International USA, Chair
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Committee Initiatives

• State of the Field - summer 2017
• Polls and Fast Facts in Forum E-News
• Big Ideas...
  • Our profession - job descriptions, workload/advising loads, salaries
  • Short-term programs - who goes, who is responsible (see also: training)
  • What are your other data needs?
Outcomes Assessment & Research (OAR)

The mission of the Outcomes Assessment and Research Committee is to assist administrators and faculty in identifying, assessing, and fostering positive outcomes in students’ academic, intercultural, and personal development through education abroad.
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OAR Key Projects

- Updating resources on the OAR Toolbox
  - Bibliography
  - Case studies (new template!)
- Identifying research topics that Forum members would find useful
  - Questions about assessment will be added to State of the Field survey
- Developing new beginner-level training on outcomes assessment
  - Input solicited via Forum newsletter survey
  - Complement A-Z Assessment Workshop
- Mentoring winners of the Award for Academic Achievement Abroad
  - Prepare winners for their presentations at the annual conference
Questions

• What research topics would be useful to the field?
• What else can we do to encourage people to share more case studies for the Toolbox?
• What training topics related to assessment would be useful to members?
Standards

The Standards Committee develops and promulgates clear, communicable and replicable standards of good practice, the *Code of Ethics for Education Abroad* and Guidelines that contextualize the *Standards* in specific areas of education abroad practice. It also vets resources for inclusion in The Forum’s Standards Toolbox.
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Group Discussions
Getting Involved

• Committees, Facilitators & Reviewers
• Nominations
• Proposals
• Submissions
Thank you!