

Cypress College
Special Programs Quality Review Report

Program: Study Abroad Coordinator: Non-Existent

Names of those participating in the report: Eldon Young

Date: December 8th, 2007

Program Mission:

This program provides students an opportunity for students to study outside of the United States and allows the student to follow a course of study that is tremendously enhanced by the location.

Core Measures:

Provide applicable information regarding trends in: unduplicated students, enrollments, FTES, and course success rates.

District Program

| Measures | Fall 2003 | Fall 2005 | Fall 2007 |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Unduplicated students | 19 | 9 | N/A |
| Enrollments | 44 | 11 | 30 |
| FTES | 4.3 | 1.1 | 6 |
| Success Rates | 52% | 91% | N/A |

Cypress College Summer Program

| Measures | Summer 2006 | Summer 2007 |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Unduplicated students | 19 | 12 |
| Enrollments | 19 | 22 |
| FTES | 3.9 | 2.6 |
| Success Rates | 90% | 100% |

Budget Trends. Provide trend information regarding the allocated budget / actual expenditures for the past several years of the program. Note any special circumstances below the table.

| | 2003-2004 | 2004-2005 | 2005-2006 | 2006-2007 | 2007-2008 |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Allocated | None | None | None | None | None |
| Actual Expenditures | | | | | NA |

Narrative: Strengths and challenges.

Strengths: *Use this section to briefly reflect upon major accomplishments of the program.*

In partnership with Fullerton College faculty members, in the past four years Cypress College instructors have participated in successful programs in Florence, Italy (2003 & 2005); Madrid, Spain (2004); Prague, Czech Republic (2004); and in Rome, Italy (2006 & 2007). In addition, Cypress had its own summer Spanish language immersion programs in Guanajuato, Mexico and Nerja, Spain in 2006 and 2007, respectively.

Challenges: *Please provide any insight into significant challenges or obstacles that may have curtailed the success of the program. Identify the types of changes necessary for improvement.*

The weak dollar and rising Euro has had a significant impact on the price for programs. For this reason, this summer's planned program in Nerja, Spain was abandoned because it was deemed too expensive to engender student interest.

Lack of Cypress faculty interest in the program has resulted in four semester programs that have been led solely by Fullerton instructors, who do not exert great effort in recruiting students from this campus. Last year a faculty workshop was held to promote the program; another one is planned in the coming year.

Another challenge in having a successful program is the lack of a coordinator on this campus.

Long-range Plan and Objectives

In the following section, identify general goals and specific, measurable objectives your area plans to achieve within the next three years. Programs should identify 3-5 goals, with at least one goal per year. Goals set for next year that require fiscal resources must also be submitted as a Budget Request and Action Plan (separate form).

I. Goal: **Increase Faculty Interest in Study Abroad**

Supports Strategic Direction (if applicable): One

1. Objective: **Publicize and conduct a faculty workshop focusing on the “how-to’s” and advantages in participating in the program.**

1.1. Person(s) responsible: District Study Abroad Committee

1.2. Timeframe: Spring 2008

1.3. Fiscal resources needed (if not applicable, indicate “NA”): NA

II. Goal: **Create a Cypress College summer program in partnership with Kyushu Sangyo University in Fukuoka, Japan**

Supports Strategic Direction (if applicable): One

1. Objective: **Arrange liability insurance and make sure program conforms to all District policies**

1.1. Person(s) responsible: Eldon Young

1.2. Timeframe: Summer 2008

1.3. Fiscal resources needed (if not applicable, indicate “NA”): NA

2. Objective: **Arrange logistics of program**

2.1. Person(s) responsible: Mariye Takahashi

2.2. Timeframe: Summer 2008

2.3. Fiscal resources needed (if not applicable, indicate “NA”): NA

III. Goal: **Create a coordinator position with 20 percent reassigned time**

Supports Strategic Direction (if applicable): One

1. Objective: **Apply for One-Time Funding**

1.1. Person(s) responsible: Eldon Young

1.2. Timeframe: 2008-2009

1.3. Fiscal resources needed (if not applicable, indicate “NA”): \$6000 approximate annual cost

Reminder: If fiscal resources are needed for next year's goals, submit a separate **Budget Request and Action Plan** for budget unit review.