

CC minutes November 2016

Present: Wolf, Sara, Noam ,Glennys, Cabeiri, Sabine

### **1. Mission statement**

Text is approved. We will add one more paragraph before putting it on the intranet:

At the start of the academic year, the JSIS-CC will prioritize agenda items in coordination with the Director and faculty and will post these items on the intranet. Throughout the academic year, JSIS-CC will put forward actionable items to the Director, the faculty at large and/or to specific programs.

### **2. Discussion on JSIS-CC priorities**

Committee members discussed the following issues for consideration this academic year:

- a. Identifying and prioritizing critical issues of the school with an eye on LINKAGES BETWEEN ISSUES AND EVIDENCE-BASED ASSESSMENTS as well as on INTENDED AND UNINTENDED consequences of specific actions. Members of CC are interested in providing a more transparent articulation of CURRENT AND FUTURE PRIORITIES within the school and discussing these priorities with the JSIS leadership.

Issues discussed were increasing enrollments in BA and MA area studies programs; calibrating synergies between programs; addressing possible conflicts of interest between programs (i.e. finances of MA and PhD TAs); improved coordination of teaching schedules, taking into account program/instructor/student priorities as well as exogenous systemic limits (i.e. UW classroom scheduling services).

- b. Throughout this year, the committee will assess the current program situation with a focus on providing data supported assessments and specific recommendations on the most pressing issues.

### **3. Next steps/next meeting**

For the December meeting, Wolf and Sabine will prepare a comparative datasheet on BA majors, enrollments and program requirements as well as current issues facing the IS major.

Specifically, we will discuss implementation of the following items:

- a. requiring all I.S. undergraduate majors to take 10 credits in area studies courses
- b. Allow the top (3,4,5) or top percentage of area studies majors to take Task Force.

- c. FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION: Secure teaching continuity in the 200 series:  
Motion to current instructors to reach out to new faculty and organize long-term teaching continuity.
- d. Develop a (200 level??) class "Ethics in International Studies".

4. We ask Wolf to present on ISSUES IN CLASSROOM PLANNING in the January 2017 Faculty meeting.

PLEASE NOTE: THE JANUARY MEETING OF CC WILL BE MOVED from 1/3 TO **TUESDAY, January 17**