ICAT Meeting Minutes
March 19, 2013
Present: Mary Dando (OIE Study Abroad), Kirsten Bebell (OIE Study Abroad), Felicia Martinez (EU Center of Excellence), Gabriel Solis (EU Center), Catherine Bogle (Global Studies RAP), Danielle Rocheleau Salaz (Center for Asian Studies), Elizabeth Pike (Geography), Mindy Wilding (Anthropology), Katherine Rousseau (International Affairs), Melinda Cain (Professor, International Affairs / Communication), Meagan Maddock (Career Services), David Bailey (International Affairs), Jodi Schneiderman (Career Services)

1. Most of the meeting was spent with introductions and learning what various departments are working on related to international careers. Highlights are below.
   a. Elizabeth Pike (Geography): Would like to learn more about Peace Corps equivalent opportunities, for students who do not want to commit to two years.
   b. Catherine Bogle (RAP): Shared that her RAP has 200 students, with 30% undeclared majors, and will be moving to Arnett. She plans a weekly dinner series with instructors or people from the community, films, and field trips.
   c. Katherine Rousseau (IA): There is a big push in IA for internship programs and their goal is to increase collaboration. Also, join their new Facebook page! For IA resources, go to: http://iafs.colorado.edu/professional-development
   e. Felicia Martinez (EU): Partners with many organizations, including World Trade Center Denver, Center for Education on Law and Democracy, etc. They focus on research, outreach, and policy. They have been approved for a Certificate in EU Studies. They bring many ambassadors and speakers on campus. Also, offer lots of funding, including an all-expense paid trip to Brussels to study the EU in the summer. In addition, they have exchanges, internships, fellowships, and grants available. If you have funding needs and it aligns with their mission, do let Felicia know. Gabriel, an undergraduate student working at EU, also let the members know they will market our events. To learn more about their center, go to: http://www.ceuce.com/
   f. Mindy Wilding (Anthropology): The anthro department also offers global seminars (including Bolivia, Tanzania, and Cuba) and a field studies program abroad. Undergraduate students often research abroad through UROP or participating with a professor. Many students interested in teaching abroad, Peace Corps, and even just Au Pairing abroad.
   g. Mary Dando and Kirsten Bebell (Study Abroad): Would like to talk next meeting about other grants on campus, including the Boren Scholarship. Gave an update on the Global Experiences program, which is an effort to identify students going abroad (but not through study abroad), including G RAP, INVST, and Ski Club trips. The goal
is to ensure the students are safe and covered with insurance. And this is required if three or more students are going. Study abroad sends 1200-155 students abroad each year, with more and more wanting internships. Due to this increasing demand to do internships abroad for credit, study abroad has partnered with Global Links, an international organization that offers internships abroad for credit. Global Links internships are 6-10 weeks, 4-6 credits. Kirsten also passed around a handout that demonstrated the 70+ study abroad programs that also include internships abroad as a part of the program. Global Links website is: http://www.gointernabroad.com/

h. Danielle Rocheleau Salaz (CAS): CAS department has speaker series every semester with various themes. Next year, the theme will be “Catastrophic Asia.” They also have a career panel for student to learn about careers involving Asia. A minor in Asian Studies and a graduate certificate is in the process for approval. They list various career and internship and study opportunities on their website: http://cas.colorado.edu/

i. Meagan Maddock (Career Services): Went on study abroad through CIEE, and now wants to teach English Abroad. Through her research, will likely choose to go with Cultural Embrace: http://www.culturalembrace.com/

j. Jodi Schneiderman (Career Services): Announced the Stacie Berdan event on April 3 (already emailed handout), along with hiring of a student assistant next year focused on outreach and international employment (also, emailed last week).

2. Discussion on reputable organizations for international internships and Teaching Abroad.
   a. Jodi went through a handout she developed on international organizations that have been vetted (most not for credit, some with credit via study abroad), along with Teaching English organizations that have been vetted and/or are known as reputable. Also, sample vetting questions are on the handout to give others an idea of the process. This is an interim step before the website is done. Soon, the website will have all this information and it will be a quick and comprehensive resource to share with your students. Stay tuned!

3. Summer Activities with ICAT
   a. During the summer, a smaller group from ICAT will work together to collaborate on events for the coming year and discuss a communication strategy within our group and to our students. Be on the lookout for an invite to join.

4. Next Meeting:
   a. Grants available to students, including UROP, Fulbright, and Boren.
b. Study Abroad – More on International Internships, including ask the group for feedback.

c. More on the vetting process for international opportunities.