SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES (SCIA)

ANNUAL REPORT TO SENATE
January – December 2006

1.   Introduction

The Senate Committee on International Activities (SCIA) is a Standing Committee (Reporting Category "B") established under the terms of the University Policy on International Activities (GP 23). The terms of reference and composition of the Committee are attached as *Annex A*, and can be found on the following web page:
http://www.reg.sfu.ca/Senate/SenateComms/SCIA.html

In 2006, SCIA met ten times. This Annual Report highlights the issues dealt with by the Committee over the course of the year. For Senators wishing more detailed information concerning SCIA's deliberations, the approved minutes of the meetings can be found on the following web page:
http://www.reg.sfu.ca/Senate/SenateComms/SCIA/index.html

Senators may also wish to contact the Committee's Secretary, by email: Marian MacNeil or Cindy Olsen, or by telephone: 604 291 5460 for further information.

1.1   SCIA Members

SCIA Members January 2006 – May 2006		
Members	**Conditions**	**Name**
President (or designate)	Chair, Ex-officio	Jon Driver
Vice-President, Academic (or designate)	Ex-officio	James Busumtwi-Sam
Senator-Faculty Mbr	Elected by and from Senate	Dan Weeks
Senator-Faculty Mbr		David Zandvliet
Senator-Faculty Mbr		Martin Ester
Senator (At-large)	Elected by and from Senate	June Francis
Student Senator (Undergraduate)	Elected by and from Senate	Wassem Javed
Graduate Student (At-large)	Elected by Senate	Clement Apaak
Executive Director, SFU International (or designate)	Ex-officio	Ian Andrews
Staff Member, SFU International	Secretary, Ex-officio (non-voting)	CindyOlsen/ Marian MacNeil

SCIA Members June 2006 – November 2006		
Members	Conditions	Name
President (or designate)	Chair, Ex-officio	Jon Driver
Vice-President, Academic (or designate)	Ex-officio	James Busumtwi-Sam
Senator-Faculty Mbr	Elected by and from Senate	Dan Weeks
Senator-Faculty Mbr		David Zandvliet
Senator-Faculty Mbr		Martin Ester
Senator (At-large)	Elected by and from Senate	Ramos Gencay
Student Senator (Undergraduate)	Elected by and from Senate	Waseem Javed
Graduate Student (At-large)	Elected by Senate	Kumari Beck
Executive Director, SFU International (or designate)	Ex-officio	Ian Andrew
Staff Member, SFU International	Secretary, Ex-officio (non-voting)	Cindy Olsen/ Marian MacNeil

Jon Driver introduced a motion in Senate to have Judith Phillips, (Acting) Director of SFU International added to the SCIA Committee, replacing Ian Andrews.

SCIA Members November – December 2006		
Members	Conditions	Name
President (or designate)	Chair, Ex-officio	Jon Driver
Vice-President, Academic (or designate)	Ex-officio	James Busumtwi-Sam
Senator-Faculty Mbr	Elected by and from Senate	Dan Weeks
Senator-Faculty Mbr		David Zandvliet
Senator-Faculty Mbr		Martin Ester
Senator (At-large)	Elected by and from Senate	Ramos Gencay
Student Senator (Undergraduate)	Elected by and from Senate	Waseem Javed
Graduate Student (At-large)	Elected by Senate	Kumari Beck
Executive Director, SFU International (or designate)	Ex-officio	Judith Phillips
Staff Member, SFU International	Secretary, Ex-officio (non-voting)	Cindy Olsen/ Marian MacNeil

1.2   Dates of SCIA Meetings in 2006

January 9, 2006
February 6, 2006
March 6, 2006
April 3, 2006
May 15, 2006
June 5, 2006

July 10, 2006
August – meeting cancelled
September 18, 2006
October 16, 2006
November 6, 2006
December 4, 2006

Current SCIA membership and dates of meetings can be found on the following web page:
http://www.reg.sfu.ca/Senate/SenateComms/SCIA.html

2. Approvals

2.1 Approval of Senate paper on International Student Recruitment

2.2 Approval of Proposed Heilongjiang Advanced Economics and Management Program

2.3 Approval of Beijing Tax Proposal

2.4 Approval of MOU with Cheongan University

2.5 Approval of the New ISEC Chair: James Busumtwi-Sam replaces June Francis.

2.6 Approval of SCIA 2005 Annual Report

2.7 Approval of Women's Basketball Exchange to Remin University of China

2.8 Approval of the appointment of D. Weeks as Acting Chair for April-June 2006

2.9 Approval (by email) of Sri Lanka Education Sector Development Program proposal

2.10 Approval of MOU with Universidad de la Habana in Cuba

2.11 Approval of MOU with the Maple Leaf School system of Dalian, China

2.12 Approval of Letter of Intent to work towards a Dual Degree Program with the Universités de Tours et du Maine.

2.13 Approval of MOU between International Clinical Epidemiology Network (Inclen) Trust International and Faculty of Health Sciences at SFU

2.14 Approval of MOA with Xiamen University, China

2.15 Approval of Belize Field School proposal and MOU with University of Belize

2.16 Approval of Study Tour for group from Chongqing, China, in partnership with the Centre for Trade and Policy Law at Carleton University

2.17 Approval of CIDA/AUCC UPCD Tier 2 Full Proposal - Bolivian Specialization in Community Economic Development. Formal approval is conditional on clarification of a couple of issues.

2.18 Approval of India Field School in Contemporary Arts

2.19 Approval of MOU between SFU and Beijing University / SFU and Beijing Language and Culture University proposal

2.20 Approval of MOU and Articulation Agreement between SFU and United International College proposal

2.21 Approval of Collaborative Agreement for a Two + Two Program with Hunan University proposal

2.22 Approval of Agreement of Cooperation with the Study Abroad Foundation proposal

2.23 Approval, by electronic vote, of International Teacher Education Module (ITEM) in Panama

2.24 Approval of Proposal between the Ministry of Science and Technology Thailand and SFU's Centre for Online and Distance Education

2.25 Approval of MOU with Kyung Hee University, provided that standard MOU language be used, notably a paragraph concerning the need to prepare more detailed agreements, and a clause relating to the expiry of the MOU

2.26 Approval of Notice of Intent for the Dual Degree Program in Business Administration with Zhejiang University in China

2.27 Approval of International Teacher Education Module (ITEM) in Dalian, China

2.28 Approval of MOU with Iran University of Science and Technology

2.29 Approval of International Field School in India

2.30 Approval of Supplementary Agreement with Panjab University

2.31 Approval of Sponsorship of the IETP because SFU endorses the value of faculty and staff training in internationalization

2.32 Approval of MOU with Shandong University to accompany the New China Archaeology Field School

3. Received for Information

3.1 Note to SCIA-Preparing the Education Sector Development Program. Continuing Studies, working with the Faculty of Education and SFU International, submitted an Expression of Interest to the Asian Development Bank, seeking inclusion in the short-list of institutions invited to submit a proposal to provide technical assistance to the Education Sector Development Project in Sri Lanka.

3.2 Field School Reports for 2005. Randall Martin discussed the reports submitted for Ghana, Greece, Italy and Prague

3.3 MOU with Curtin University of Technology (Australia)

3.4 Low Risk Approvals. J. Driver proposed that SCIA adopt a policy of classifying some initiatives as "low risk", based on specific criteria. Such proposals would be identified by the SCIA secretary, approved (if +- appropriate) by the SCIA chair, and reported back to SCIA at a regular meeting, with an opportunity to be overruled.

3.5 Middle East Review. J. Driver recommended that SCIA terminate the review of SFU International activity in the Middle East. It would be more productive to wait for proposals concerning activity in the Middle East, and evaluate each proposal on its own merits, paying attention to the country in which the activity would take place and the current issues of concern.

3.6 Sri Lanka: Preparing the Education Sector Development Program. SFU has been short-listed and is currently preparing a proposal for the program. It will be forwarded to SCIA for approval before being sent for submission.

3.7 SFU Recreation and Athletics Exchange proposal. The Recreation and Athletics program are looking at international travel for teams such as Women's Basketball and proposes to have Athletic Exchange incorporated with an academic and athletic program. SFU Recreation and Athletics will cover all costs. Information on the academic component will be provided at a future meeting.

3.8 UPCD Tier 2 – Bolivian Specialization in Community Development Program proposal.
UPCD Tier 2 – Sustainable Peace-Building in Uganda and the Africa Great Lakes Region.
SCIA supports these UPCD Tier 2 proposals.

3.9 Update on Academic Component of Women's Basketball Athletic Exchange: Renmin Sports Exchange Program. SFU Women's Basketball Team will visit Renmin University of China (RUC) in mid-August for 12-14 days. RUC will arrange a series of no less than four competitions between the SFU team and other local university and college teams. Members of SFU women's basketball team will pursue a 4-credit undergraduate course which builds on students' international or intercultural placement in China during August 2006.

3.10 Study Abroad Initiative from Sungkyunkwan University in Korea. Sungkyunkwan University is interested in sending to SFU up to 15 students annually on a one-way study abroad program, whereby admissible students take courses across all faculties (with access restrictions on Business and other closed programs). These students will pay full foreign student fees, there is no movement of SFU students or staff to Korea on this relationship and it is seen as a supporting plank in our recruitment strategy.

3.11 David Zandvliet has agreed to be the new chair of ISEC (June 2006-May 31 2008)

3.12 Two MOU's : one with Cherkasy State Technological University (CSTU) and the other with Uzhgorod National University, two project partners in the Ukraine. Further discussion will be held once these MOU's are submitted to SCIA for approval.

3.13 MOU's with the following three Institutes:
- Beijing Institute of Heart, Lung and Blood Vessel Disease
- Capital University of Medical Sciences
- National Institute of Public Health, Mexico (INSP)
SCIA requires a brief memo that states why these MOU's are being negotiated and will then determine whether these MOU's meet the requirements of SFU's policy on international activities.

3.14 Terms of Reference and Membership Categories of SCIA and ISEC. SCIA reviewed its membership and terms of reference/procedures and a memo was sent to Alison Watt, board of Governors, recommending some changes. SCIA is waiting approval on these changes.

3.15 Intake of students from FIC, what is SCIA's role. SCIA Chair will speak with Judith Osborne as to what extent SCIA should be involved.

3.16 MOU between SFU and The Health Sciences University of Mongolia (HSUM).

3.17 Collaborative Agreement for the Education of Doctoral Students between SFU and Ministry of Science, Research and Technology, Iran. SCIA had some concerns about this agreement which will need to be addressed and the agreement re-submitted for approval.

3.18 Review Policy on Service Contracts (AD3.13). When Service Contract proposals include international activities, the proposal must be submitted to SCIA for approval. These proposals must be approved in terms of not only SCIA's policy on international activities, but also Service Contracts policies and procedures.

3.19 Institutional Sponsorship of the International Educator's Training Program (IETP), Queen's University. Institutional Sponsorship of the IETP offers SFU the opportunity to send one SFU participant to their training program each year.

3.20 MOU with IUBAT (International University of Business Agriculture and Technology), Bangladesh. This MOU was signed by Dr. Stevenson in February 2005 and signed and approved by SCIA in 1999. This agreement encourages participation by SFU faculty and students in projects from the Centre for Policy Research, a nonprofit research and educational institution, linked to IUBAT. IUBAT has hosted MPP graduate student interns for each of the last three years. In exchange for accommodation, they have undertaken part time teaching at IUBAT.

3.21 Faculty of Business Field School Proposal. The Business Faculty is in contact with three schools, one of which will be selected to offer the first Field School in 2007. Once the location is selected, Business will present a formal agreement to SCIA for approval early in 2007.

4. Field Schools

SFU International reported that the following field schools were completed in 2006:

4.1 May-July 2006

❖ **Fiji** (University of the South Pacific, Suva, Viti Levu): 18 participants, led by Dr. David Burley and assisted by Karen Tache (PHD Student) and Liza Grotrian (Lab Assistant), Archaeology

❖ **Fiji** (University of the South Pacific, Suva, Viti Levu): 11 participants, led by Dr. Paul McFetridge, Linguistics

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❖ **France** (University Francois Rabelais, Tours): 15 participants, led by Dr. Jacqueline Viswanathan, French

❖ **Greece** (Island of Kephalonia): 11 participants, led by Panayiotis Pappas, Archaeology, Greek, Humanities

❖ **Italy** (Rome, Milan, Florence): 13 participants, led by Mr. Russell Taylor, SIAT (Interactive Arts and Technology)

❖ **Czech Republic** (Charles University, Prague): 14 participants, led by Dr. Samir Gandesha, assisted by Luis Paulo Lemos Parreira Horta, Humanities

❖ **Southeast Asia** (Chulalongkom University, Bangkok; Chiang Mai University, Chiang Mai; Maka Sarakham University; Vietnam Museum of Ethnology, Hanoi): 13 participants, led by Dr. Michael Howard, Sociology & Anthropology

4.2   September - December 2006:

❖ **Italy** (Florence): 17 participants, led by Dr. Anne Higgins, English

❖ **India** (Chandigarh): 12 participants, led by Dr. Don Northey, Education

❖ **Brazil** (Curitiba): 12 participants, led by Dr. Gerardo Otero, Latin American Studies

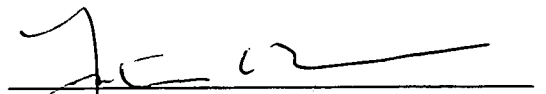## 5.   International Student Exchange Committee (ISEC)

The International Student Exchange Committee (ISEC), a sub-committee of SCIA, is responsible for making recommendations on the establishment of any new student exchange agreements and selecting candidates for exchange programs.   Information on ISEC can be found on the following web page: http://www.reg.sfu.ca/Senate/SenateComms/ISEC.html

In 2005/06, 244 applied to participate in the University's international bilateral and multilateral student exchange programs. Of the 244 applicants, 56 applications were incomplete, 33 applications were not approved, and 43 applications either cancelled prior to or after the ISEC committee selection. ISEC selected 167 students out of the 244 students to participate and 125 went on exchanges. The number of applicants is an increase from 2004/05 where 234 students applied for exchanges. However, the number of nominations is a decrease from 2004/05 where 173 students were selected, and the number of students who actually went is a decrease from 2004/05 where 146 students went. A detailed report is included in Annex B.

6.   International Co-op Program

A total number of 121 SFU students participated in the International Co-op Program.

7.   Signature

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Jonathan Driver, Chair
Senate Committee on International Activities

Date: ___16 March '07___

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Senate Committee on International Activities (SCIA)
Standing Committee (Reporting Category "B")

Membership

Membership		
Members	**Conditions**	**Term**
President (or designate)	Chair, Ex-officio	
Vice President, Academic (or designate)	Ex-officio	
Senator (Faculty Member)	Elected by and from Senate	2 years
Senator (Faculty Member)	Elected by and from Senate	2 years
Senator (Faculty Member)	Elected by and from Senate	2 years
Senator (At-large)	Elected by and from Senate	2 years
Senator (Undergraduate Student)	Elected by and from Senate	2 years
Graduate student (At-large)	Elected by Senate	2 years
Executive Director, SFU International	Ex-officio	
Secretary (Non-voting)	Staff Member, SFU International	

The Committee shall meet at least once each semester and at the call of the Chair.
Quorum shall be a simple majority of the voting members.
The Committee may strike sub-committees as required, such as the International Student Exchange Committee.

6.3 Terms of Reference

6.3.1 To ensure that proposals for international activities meet the conditions and criteria established by the University Policy on International Activities, and the University Policy on Service Contracts.

6.3.2 To ensure broad consultation prior to the final approval of any proposal covered by this policy for which human rights considerations are likely to be a concern.

6.3.3 To advise the President with respect to the desirability of entering into international activities that are proposed to be undertaken by the University on the basis of a contract, contribution agreement, letter of understanding, or similar document.

6.3.4 To maintain an overview and familiarity with international agreements that are entered into by academic or administrative units.

6.3.5 To report annually to Senate.

6.4 Procedures

6.4.1 The Committee shall be provided with copies of international activity proposals and whatever other information is needed to administer this Policy, based on procedures to be determined by the Committee.

6.4.2 Every proposal shall indicate that it has the approval of the appropriate Chair or Director, and Faculty Dean and shall contain a statement of goals and objectives, a clear disclosure of the proposed activities and a budget.

6.4.3 Proposals shall be accompanied by verification that the prospective parties to the activity have been given a copy of the University Policy on International Activities.

6.4.4 Proposals shall be submitted to the Secretary of SCIA for distribution to the Committee.

6.4.5 The Committee shall review each proposal to ensure compliance with the University Policy on International Activities and shall recommend acceptance, modification or rejection to the President. Where approval of the Senate or the Board of Governors is required, the President shall inform the appropriate body(ies) of the Committee's recommendation.

6.4.6 Where there is concern on the part of SCIA that any international activity which uses the University's name or resources may be in non-compliance with this Policy, the Committee shall be entitled to receive further information and shall report to the President regarding any violations that may be discovered.

6.4.7 Copies of international activity contracts or other agreements shall be provided to the Office of International Cooperation where they shall be kept on file and be open for inspection by members of the University community.

Interpretation

Questions of Policy interpretation or application shall be referred to the President whose decision shall be final.

Annex B

Outgoing Student Exchanges: Sept 2005 - Aug 2006

APP	applied 1st choice & does not include C/O
SEL	selected/approved 1st/2nd/3rd/recommended choice
N/A	not approved
INC	incomplete applications
W/D	withdrew after approved
SEM	semester
C/O	carry over from previous academic year
WENT	# of students who went per sem doesn't include C/O

COUNTRY	UNIVERSITY	APP	SEL	N/A	INC	W/D	Number of students per 1 SEM	2 SEM	C/O	WENT
ARGENTINA	Universidad de Belgrano	1	1				1			1
AUSTRALIA	Australian National University	0	1					1		1
AUSTRALIA	Flinders University of South Australia	2	1			1				0
AUSTRALIA	Macquarie University	3	2		1	1	1			1
AUSTRALIA	Monash University - Melbourne	4	2		2	0	2		1	2
AUSTRALIA	Monash University - Malaysia	1	1			1				0
AUSTRALIA	Monash University - South Africa	1	1			1				0
AUSTRALIA	Murdoch University	2	2			1	1			1
AUSTRALIA	University of Western Australia	4	3	1	1		3		1	3
AUSTRALIA	University of Western Sydney	6	1	3	2	0	1			1
AUSTRIA	Vienna Univ. Econ. & Business Admin.	0								0
BELGIUM	Universite Catholique de Louvain	1	0	1		1				0

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Country	University								
CANADA	Universite de Montreal	0							0
CANADA	Universite de Quebec a Montreal	1	1		1	1			0
CANADA	Universite Laval	2	1				1		1
CANADA	Dalhousie University	2	1		1	0		1	1
CANADA	University of Ottawa	5	3	1	1	1	2		2
CHILE	Pontificia Universidad Catolica, Chile	2	1		1	0	1		1
CHINA	East China Normal University	2	1		1	1			0
CHINA	Jilin University , China	0							0
CHINA	Zhejiang University, China	0							0
CZECH REPUBLIC	Charles University	5	4		1	1	3		3
DENMARK	Aarhus University, Denmark	0							0
DENMARK	Copenhagen Business School	12	11	1	1	0	10		10
ECUADOR	Universidad San Francisco de Quito	1	1		1		1		1
EGYPT	American University of Cairo	5	2	2	1	0	2		2
ENGLAND	University of Bath	3	4			1	2	1	3
ENGLAND	University of East Anglia	2	1		1	0		1	1
ENGLAND	University of Leicester	0							0
ENGLAND	University of Leeds	3	3			0	1	2	3
ENGLAND	University of Sussex	0							0
FIJI	University of the South Pacific	2	0		2	0			0
FINLAND	Helsinki School of Economics	0							0
FINLAND	University of Jyvaskyla	2	1		1	1			0
FRANCE	ESCP EAP European School of Mgmt	4	4		2	2	2	1	2
FRANCE	Foundation Nationale Des Sciences Po.	4	4		1	1	2	1	3

Country	University								
FRANCE	Grenoble School of Management	2	2			2			2
FRANCE	Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Lille	1	1			1			1
GERMANY	Humboltd University, Germany	1	1			1			1
GERMANY	Universitat zu Koln	0						1	0
GERMANY	University of Mannheim	6	4	2	2	2			2
HONG KONG	Chinese University of Hong Kong	10	10	1	3	5	2		7
HONG KONG	Hong Kong Baptist University	3	0	1	0				0
HONG KONG	University of Hong Kong	12	6	2	1	5			5
HONG KONG	Hong Kong Univ. of Science & Tech.	1	0		1				0
INDIA	Indian Institute of Technology	0							0
INDIA	Jawaharlal Nehru University	2	1	1	1				0
INDIA	Panjab University, Chandigarh	1	1		1				0
IRAN	University of Isfahan	0							0
ITALY	Politecnico Di Milano	0							0
ITALY	Universita Bocconi	5	3	2	0	3			3
JAPAN	Kansai Gaidai University	3	0	3	0				0
JAPAN	Meiji Gakuin University	2	0	2	0			1	0
JAPAN	Ritsumeikan University (Kyoto)	3	3		2		1		1
JAPAN	Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University	0							0
KOREA	KAIST	0	1	1	1				0
KOREA	Seoul National University	12	4	7	1	2	1	1	3
KOREA	Yonsei University, Korea	11	4	5	0	4	1	1	4
MEXICO	Instituto Tecnologico Autonoma Mexico	0							0
MEXICO	ITESM, Mexico	4	3	1	1	2		1	2

Country	University							
MEXICO	Universidad de Guadalajara, Mexico	0						0
MEXICO	Universidad de las Americas Puebla	2	2				2	2
NETHERLANDS	Universiteit Utrecht	6	5	1	2	1	2	3
NETHERLANDS	University College Maastricht	0						0
NETHERLANDS	University of Maastricht (Business)	3	3		1	2		2
NETHERLANDS	Universiteit van Amsterdam	7	7		2	5		5
NEW ZEALAND	University of Auckland	6	2	1	0	2		2
NORWAY	Norwegian School of Management	2	0	1				0
NORWAY	University of Oslo	2	3				3	3
NORWAY	University of Tromsoe	0						0
PHILLIPPINES	De La Salle University	2	1	1		1		1
SCOTLAND	Heriot-Watt University	1	0	1	0			0
SCOTLAND	University of Dundee	0						0
SCOTLAND	University of Strathclyde	3	0	1	2			0
SINGAPORE	National University of Singapore	6	5	1	1	4	1	4
SOUTH AFRICA	University of Capetown	6	4	4	1	3		3
SPAIN	Universidad Complutense de Madrid	0						0
SPAIN	University Pompeu Fabra	0						0
SWEDEN	University of Malmo	7	7		2	5		5
SWEDEN	Lund University	5	5			4	1	5
SWEDEN	Uppsala University	2	2		1	1		1
SWITZERLAND	University of Basel	0	1		1			0
TAIWAN	National Chengchi University	0						0
TAIWAN	National Taiwan Normal University	1	2		2			2

Country	University									
TAIWAN	National Taiwan University	3	3	1	1	1	2			2
THAILAND	Chulalongkorn University	2	2				2			2
THAILAND	Thammasat University	0								0
TURKEY	Koc University	2	2				1	1		2
USA	Northeastern University	1	0		1	0				0
USA	San Diego State University	2	2				2			2
USA	University of Richmond	0								0
USA	University of New Mexico	0								0
USA	(NSE) Univ. of Connecticut	2	0		2					0
USA	(NSE) Florida International University	0	1				1			1
USA	(NSE) Hunter College, CUNY	4	2	2			2			2
USA	(NSE) University of Minn., Twin Cities	1	1					1		1
USA	(NSE) University of New Orleans	1	0	1						0
USA	(NSE) University of North Texas	1	0		1					0
USA	(NSE) University of Hawaii - Manoa	1			1				1	0
USA	(NSE) Rutgers University	1	1			1				0
USA	(NSE) University of Idaho	1	1					1		1
	Totals:	244	166	33	56	42	103	22	11	125

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