Armstrong Atlantic State University
Faculty Senate Bill 062.11/12: Study Abroad

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Armstrong Atlantic State University

Date: 3/19/12
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Bill requesting President Bleicken to remove study abroad from department and college enrollment and pay calculations for the summer term.

Rationale: Study Abroad is a university system priority that has generally been subsidized by allowing small class sizes. Under the current summer enrollment and pay calculation method, this has created significant strain on departments that offer study abroad, and makes the individual department responsible for subsidizing study abroad.
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As stated in Bill 062.11/12, Study Abroad is a priority of the University System of Georgia and a priority here at Armstrong. The financial health of Study Abroad programs is important, whether the "home" of these programs rests within individual departments or within the broader framework of the Study Abroad Office. Because the relative financial health of individual Study Abroad programs affects the financial health of the University as a whole, Study Abroad must be considered in the broader context of the University.

Therefore, while the placement of budgetary authority within the Study Abroad office may be a logical direction, a broader discussion of Study Abroad programs is in order. Because Academic Affairs is ultimately responsible for Study Abroad, it is essential that the incoming Provost be involved in these discussions.

The desired outcome will be a robust and thriving array of Study Abroad programs whose structure is supportive of the overall financial health of the University.