

**Meeting Date:** January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026

**Meeting start:** 12 pm **End:** 1:32 pm

**Global Learning Committee-**

Members present: Keely Baca, Martha Bailey, David Badstubner, Jennifer Bown, Tracy Boyle-Galenstiantz, Stefanie Diaz-Zavala, Jessica Kissler, Patricia McFarland, Almir Methadzovic, Anne Mary Haruna Nash, Michael Patterson, Laurette Scott.

**Meeting minutes:**

Approval of meeting minutes from 11/14/2025- *motion to approve*

**Welcome & New member introductions:**

Quick introductions for new members- Anne Mary Nash Haruna, Traci Boyle-Galestiantz, Jessica Kissler (guest)

**Review of 2025-2026 GLC Goals:**

Reviewed goals to determine if we were on track with them this year.

- 1) **Student Study Abroad Handbook:** Currently have a subcommittee working on creating the handbook. They will be asking for feedback and suggestions from the committee before continuing with edits.
- 2) **Approved Provider List:** The current list hasn't been reviewed in a while. The committee plans to review it this winter/spring terms. Additional providers might be added for future trips.
- 3) **Committee and Weebly Website:** Will need an update from Kerrie related to the webpages. From previous updates, we have been actively updating the webpages.
- 4) **Payment protocols:** We have been working and engaging in this. Will defer to Kerrie for an update.
- 5) **CIBER Grant:** Will work on discussing the opportunities during this winter term or spring.
- 6) **Gillman Program Opportunities:** Jenn plans to look into upcoming deadlines for the Gillman. Will share updates in a future meeting.
- 7) **Funding opportunities:** Kerrie has been mostly involved in brainstorming ideas for fundraising. The committee is still actively engaged in this goal.
- 8) **Part-time coordinator position:** Our goal will be to explore the Grant application to possibly fund this position.

**Sabbatical proposal:**

Jessica Kissler shared information about her sabbatical proposal. She plans to go on sabbatical from Winter-Spring 2027. Jessica will be traveling with the Ireland 2026 group this year and then will go on sabbatical.

**Proposal objectives:**

- 1) Research practices on how to create an introductory psychology class that would lead students to study abroad programs.

- 2) Research international destinations that would be meaningful to students and how they relate to psychology. Plans to research logistics for each of her chosen destinations. Many of the destinations on her list are mostly located in Europe and SE Asia.
- 3) Plans to scout out those locations to get a feel of how those locations would feel for students and whether they would be accessible to them. Her purpose is to connect those destinations to students who participate in the study abroad program or who only participate in her PSY classes.
- 4) Plans to attend CCID conference in 2027 as part of her sabbatical.

**Feedback and suggestions from the committee:**

- Connecting with other faculty from other colleges teaching in the same field and who have already done something similar in their institutions.
  - Martha B. will share contact information from a PCC faculty.
- Research providers and connect with them early- Providers and costs are the driving force in deciding accessible programs.
- Creating several PSY courses with the study abroad component embedded into them as a way to connect more students and make recruitment easier.
- Looking into field schools as possible program options.

**GLC CCC Faculty-Led International Travel Handbook Updates:**

The handbook went out for review to David Plotkin, Dennis Marks, and the Teaching and Learning Council. It is currently being reviewed by Christy Owens from the Business Office.

A few questions came about from David P. that will need to be worked on by the committee.

- A question came about related to Student Learning Outcomes.
  - This section needs to include measurable outcomes. Identifying what classes would work for the program, whether they will include credit, participant groups, etc.
- Clarifying information about how you connect courses to a study abroad program. Explaining the whole process of connecting with providers and selecting destinations that support the course and learning outcomes.
- Clean up on the terminology that explains the timeline of developing a study abroad trip.
- Work on creating a standardized way of reporting back (Document or PowerPoint) to report on a trip upon return. This document could be a way of showcasing the programs for future support from various groups or councils.

**GLC Student "Handbook" Updates:**

Will postpone this agenda item to the next meeting.

**Summary Report for Study Abroad Trips:**

Will postpone this agenda item to the next meeting.

### **Health and Wellness Form:**

Spent time reviewing the *Field Trip Health & Wellness Support Form*. Jenn spent time modifying the document, and it was sent to the DRC for review as well.

- The DRC helped modify some sections to leave out some questions about mental health or accommodation, since they will not be connected to this form.

Jenn and Michael P. will work on making updates to the medical conditions list section.

A small edit was made to clarify the emergency contact information section.

### **Newsletter:**

Will postpone this agenda item to the next meeting.

### **Winter Resource Fair:**

Winter Resource Fair will be held at the Wacheno Welcome Center Mall Area on Monday, Jan. 12<sup>th</sup> from 10am-1pm

- Many committee members will be unavailable at this time to table.
- Stefanie and Jenn could commit from noon to 1 p.m. Stefanie will look into possibly splitting time from 10am-1pm with her advising drop-ins to table.

### **Trip Updates:**

#### **Ireland 2025:**

- Laurette shared that the trip was a success! Laurette will hold off on sharing more until Kerrie comes back.

#### **Ireland 2026:**

- Keely reported back that marketing for the new trip is currently in progress. Posters will be available soon.
- The group of faculty members participating in this trip have been in conversation with ISIA to discuss the sites they would like to include on this trip related to their courses.

#### **The Baltics:**

- No faculty members from this trip were in the meeting for updates.

#### **Mexico and Quebec:**

- No faculty members from this trip were in the meeting for updates.

#### **Iceland 2027:**

- No faculty members from this trip were in the meeting for updates.

#### **SE Asia 2028:**

- No updates at this time

**Next Meeting:** Jan. 23rd, 2026