International and Global Engagement Committee 2023-24

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The International and Global Engagement Committee (IGEC) is advisory to the Provost and Executive Vice President in their role as Oregon State’s senior international officer.

Co-chaired by deputy senior international officers Grace Atebe and Steve Wuhs, the IGEC will provide guidance on OSU’s internationalization and global engagement goals, initiatives and programs and serve as a forum for sharing ideas and best practices.

The IGEC’s task is to explore and recommend ways OSU can:

- **Increase research on international topics and with international partners**, such as by cultivating overseas institutions and regions for partnerships that would tangibly advance OSU’s goals in research and innovation; stimulating high-impact research initiatives aligned with OSU’s target focus areas, particularly those with the potential to attract non-US funding sources; and identifying improvements in programs and infrastructure necessary to support international research activity.

- **Increase international learning opportunities**, such as by incorporating education abroad opportunities into general education and undergraduate majors and minors; creating new degree programs at the undergraduate and masters levels that capture strong international student demand and build OSU competitive strength; maximizing OSU’s partnership with INTO University Partnerships and INTO OSU in marketing and recruitment of international students; ensuring OSU graduates are interculturally
competent, so that they may successfully navigate a highly globalized world; and incorporating intercultural competence objectives in the consideration and adoption of new pedagogies for on-site and online modalities.

- **Leverage international ties and initiatives to advance the university’s economic and workforce development goals**, such as by identifying key corporate relationships and sectors abroad that would benefit from new OSU offerings of traditional and alternative credentials, or that would open new research and innovation partnerships of high value; improving connections with overseas alumni to open doors to valuable corporate, non-profit and government partnerships; and strengthening OSU’s career development approach by deepening international professional development opportunities for international and domestic students.

OSU’s work in internationalization and global engagement is motivated by its aspiration to be a research university that is distinctive among its peers around the world for its capacity to contribute big, transdisciplinary solutions to challenges of global consequence for humankind. Its success in that regard depends on recruiting exceptional students and employees from a global talent pool; collaborating with partners domestically and overseas that elevate our work in tangible ways; and preparing graduates for a world that is increasingly diverse, intercultural and globally connected.

The IGEC should recognize that university has adopted specific, bold goals for the 2024-2030 period, as articulated in our new strategic plan, *Prosperity Widely Shared*. OSU’s highest priorities in internationalization and global engagement must be those that advance the strategic plan in real ways. I ask the committee to recommend the highest priority actions along these lines, together with clear metrics for monitoring progress. Distinctive focus will achieve more than broad comprehensiveness in what we choose to do in the international sphere.