**Education iCAP Team January Meeting Agenda**

Friday, January 20th

3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Zoom link: <https://illinois.zoom.us/j/81798153322?pwd=bGRVaHFwdWRjUEdSdWREMDBzSXlIUT09>

*Attendees:* Eric Green, Asli Topuzlu, Kate Abney, Anna Mehl, Luis Rodriguez, Bella Polizzotto, Sydney Wei

*Absentees:* Anna-Marie Marshall, Grace Smith, Gretchen Forman

Agenda

1. Welcome and introductions! – 5 minutes (Asli)
2. Integration of sustainability to BUS 101 course (Eric) – 15 minutes
   1. Eric met with Aimee Barbeau (instructor of the course) about this and will give updates
3. iWG response to Sustainability Study Abroad Recommendation (Kate) - 5 minutes
4. Discussion/recommendation ideas for this semester (everyone) – 25 minutes
5. New team chair selection (everyone) – 5 minutes
6. Recurring meeting date and time for the remainder of the semester (everyone) – 5 minutes

Meeting minutes

* Our team has a new student member: Sydney Wei!!!
  + She is a freshmen in College of Business, she is looking to major in either Finance or Accounting
* Updates from Eric about his meeting with Aimee Barbeau (instructor of the BUS 101 course)
  + BUS 101 – about 800 students with several sections led by undergrads and work with 12 companies
    - Class is on business ethics – focuses on diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) and also sustainability
    - Students look at companies and what they are doing, and offer opportunities for change
  + There is not any formal training on sustainability and not many faculty doing sustainability-oriented things in the college
  + For this class, it has to be a very broad presentation of sustainability
    - Still, most students do want to work on sustainability-oriented things in their projects
  + Aimee will put Eric in touch with someone at Finance (or Accountancy??) – this way, the team can get a broader sense of how sustainability is being taught
    - Ex: ESG reporting can be better handled at a Finance class
      * A potential recommendation can be made to encourage Finance department to develop an ESG class
* Open online sustainability course at Coursera that any student at Illinois can access for free
  + Not for credit but can be a part of any course
* iWG response to our Study Abroad recommendation
  + Recommendation was well received and approved!!
* Team goals and recommendation ideas for this semester
  + Recommendation on giving freshmen students access to a sustainability course when they enter to UofI – possibly at their Canvas page **(iCAP 6.1 objective “Sustainability workshop” part!!)**
    - Kind of like an online training
    - No enforcement necessarily (no credit), just to get a general interest
    - First-year students are so packed with orientation materials, this might not get much direct nor much interest
      * How much time will this take? Worth for students’ time? – it shouldn’t take much time, maybe 30 minutes
      * It is better to direct this sustainability training course to second-year students (not overwhelming freshmen)
    - We can get introductory course instructors to encourage their students to take a look at a course like this (can offer extra credit)
  + Can try to get all of the introductory courses (100-level) to have some sort of sustainability component at their classes **(iCAP 6.1 objective ‘100-level courses” part!!)**
    - Instructor can direct students to do a module/watch a video on sustainability (just as a part of an assignment – doesn’t have to be huge)
      * That free introductory Coursera course on sustainability OR an optional sustainability training at Canvas can be options
  + Sydeny’s suggestion – potential integration of sustainability at BUS 201, 301, and 401 courses (Business students are required to take these courses)
    - Just need to find an intersection between business and sustainability which can easily be implemented to these courses
    - We can have guest speakers coming to classes and talking about sustainability
      * Have students complete an assignment about this for an extra credit
    - **Sydney will follow up with some students at these classes to see what they think about this**
  + Sustainability can also be implemented to the Business Minor curriculum
* Eric Green will be the chair and Sydney Wei will be the vice-chair of the team this semester!! Congrats!!
* Asli will be sending separate when2meet polls for the following three months to the team to figure out the best meeting dates and times for each month