**Education iCAP Team March Meeting Agenda**

Monday, February 27th

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Zoom link: <https://illinois.zoom.us/j/81410662964?pwd=bytvdWs1YlFqaHJZTk5qQUw0OTBLQT09>

Agenda

1. Welcome! – 5 minutes (Asli)
2. Updates on Business College finance and/or accounting instructor contacts to talk about sustainability – 10 minutes (Eric)
   1. Eric met with Richard Excell – FIN 490 & 580 ESG Certification section instructor
   2. Other classes to contact for this recommendation:
      1. BUS 401 – instructor: Sandra Corredor – meeting planned
      2. BUS 301 – contact not yet made
      3. BUS 101 – instructor: Aimee Barbeau – meeting completed
      4. FIN 490/580 (Social Impact Investing section) – contact not yet made
      5. ACCY 405 – instructor: Michael Donohoe – email sent, no response yet
3. Quick [Sustainability Economic Analysis Recommendation](https://uofi.box.com/s/b6f12m8lvkfo712xto0ahilwbli5nbok) update – 5 minutes (Asli)
4. Further discussion on possible recommendation ideas – 35 minutes (everyone)
   1. Sustainability workshop
   2. Sustainability implementation to 100-level courses
   3. Increasing awareness/marketing on sustainability inclusive courses

Meeting Notes

* Modern Issue in Food and Agriculture course
  + New course
  + Has sustainability implemented (ESG reporting), they are developing a new course content
  + This class can offer graduate certificate
* Sustainability Economics Analysis recommendation of Resilience iCAP Team has been submitted to the iWG (the team talked about the recommendation with Stacy Gloss at the [February meeting](https://icap.sustainability.illinois.edu/project-update/education-icap-team-february-meeting))!
  + Anna shared a report which includes all the programs that were revised to the extent that it needs to go through any sort of regulatory approvals and have a field for the capstone project completed (both undergraduate and graduate)
  + Anna has started looking into capstone classes but getting to those classes is hard
    - She has a database and website that only gives online graduate classes
  + Undergraduate classes can be more impactful for this, but graduate programs have more capstones and filed experiences
    - Still, team should focus on one or another (not both!)
    - How much expertise is required for this project is another crucial factor to consider
* Other recommendation ideas
  + Eric has an additional recommendation idea which was actually discussed at the Education Team in 2020: hiring a full-time internship program coordinator!
    - The Education Team in 2020 prepared a recommendation about this and Eric revised it (currently, the recommendation is in a draft form)
    - Direct relationship with iCAP Objective 6.4: Establishment of sustainability internship program
    - This recommendation is geared towards trying to identify a coordinator that can facilitate students getting internships
      * Inspired by the Community Academic Scholars program of IHSI (Interdisciplinary Health and Sciences Institute) – they take partnerships, create internships with students, and secure fundings (external partners are paying students to do work on related issues)
        + The coordinator does this with a sustainability focus
    - Good thing that these internships will be paid, but they can also be for credit (can open more spots)
    - Funding for this staff position can be a challenge for iSEE (recommendation should be complete before the budgeting cycle starts)
    - No deadlines for this recommendation for now
  + Sustainability implementation to 100-level courses
    - BUS 101 has some sustainability component at its curriculum
    - This would require reaching out to different academic units and see some ways to implement sustainability in their course
    - If referring to the first-year student courses, implementation of sustainability will be tough
      * Possibility of the lack of attention from students
    - The team decided not to pursue on this recommendation idea for now
      * Big ask for first-year students who already have a lot in their plate, considerable possibility of lack of student interest, hard for professors to fit sustainability into their packed 100-level courses
  + Sustainability workshop idea
    - Will be discussed at April meeting