IPS Mission and Overarching Goals

• The Office of International Programs and Services (IPS) provides leadership and advocacy for international programs and activities on campus and coordinates the resources necessary to sustain their growth. IPS is the hub of international activities at WCU.

• We work with faculty, staff, and students on campus, in western North Carolina, and throughout the world to:
  ✓ Recruit, enroll, and retain international students
  ✓ Support international teaching and learning
  ✓ Develop WCU students into global citizens
  ✓ Develop and facilitate international engagement and partnerships
  ✓ Increase cross-cultural understanding of the community through outreach programs
Current Status of IPS

Director of International Programs and Services
Ling Gao LeBeau

Director of Intensive English Program
Jill Cargile
- IEP Core Instructor
  Ashlea Green
- IEP Admissions Specialist
  Hilary Lindler

International Student and Scholar Advisor
Dana Moore

International Student Advisor for Programs and Outreach
Marg Basehart

Study Abroad Advisor
Vacant

Study Abroad Coordinator
Josie Bewsey

Administrative Assistant
Betty Dishman

Program Assistant (part time)
Vacant
IPS Five Areas

• Study Abroad
  – Bilateral exchange programs
  – Direct enrollment programs
  – Faculty-led travel courses

• Faculty and Staff Services
  – Faculty-led travel courses
  – Faculty exchange and international travel funds
  – Faculty and classroom support
  – International visiting scholar
  – International programs advisory council
IPS Five Areas (Cont’d)

• **International Student and Scholar Services**
  – Visa services
  – International admissions
  – Academic and social support

• **Intensive English Program**
  – Academic English for international students
  – World languages course in academic skills in English (WLL 121)
  – Special programs designated to meet specific group needs
  – Short term teaching programs
  – Overseas consulting and workshops

• **International Partnerships**
  – International engagement and agreements
IPS Statistics

- **Study Abroad**
  - Averagely 200 students per year

- **Faculty-Led Travel Courses**
  - Averagely 20 courses per year

- **International Student**
  - Averagely 200 students per year from 30 countries

- **Intensive English Program**
  - 30 students per semester

- **International Partnership**
  - 30 partner institutions
IPS Plans

• **Study Abroad Plan**
  – Increase study abroad enrollment number, focusing on learning experiences that foster skills of international interaction and collaboration

• **International Student and Scholar Services Plan**
  – Help international students succeed academically and socially

• **Curriculum Internationalization Plan**
  – Develop professional development programs that prepare faculty and staff for effective international work
  – Make global learning as one of essential learning outcomes across all disciplines
IPS Plans (cont’d)

• Partnership Development Plan
  – Cultivate partnerships (international and domestic) as dynamic platforms for teaching, research, and service
  – Short-term goal
    • Manage existing partnerships effectively while developing new partnerships at a steady pace
  – Long-term goal
    • Expand WCU footprint in all continents
    • Develop partnership locally and nationally

• Administrative Leadership Plan
  – Improve IPS service quality
  – Create a lively international atmosphere for the campus and beyond
Questions

• With existing resources, how can the Office of International Programs and Services provide the best services to your stakeholders and your program(s)?
  – Faculty
  – Staff
  – Students
  – Academic programs

• In what ways can IPS increase the number of study abroad students and the number of international students, with support from campus constituents?