FACULTY-LED STUDY ABROAD PROGAMS

Things to Consider when Developing a New Program

Personally

- 1. Am I prepared to commit a lot of time and energy into planning and leading this program?
- 2. Will this count toward my load or will it be overload?

College Support

- 1. Have you spoken to your Department Chair and are they supportive? Have you discussed how this would count toward salary/overload?
- 2. Does the course(s) need to go through curriculum committee? What degree requirements would it count toward (Perspectives, minors, immersions, majors, electives, etc.)? Are there any required pre-reqs?
- 3. Who is your student target?

Program structure

- 1. Which faculty-led program structure is best for this course? What are the effects of the program structure on things like grading, billing, financial aid, etc.?
- 2. Do I understand the expectations outlined in the Policies section of the RIT Global website?

Location

- 1. Is the location safe? Is it on US State Department Travel Warning List?
- 2. How will the culture enhance the learning objectives? How will I incorporate host culture into curriculum?
- 3. What are the language requirements?

Logistics

- 1. Where will we stay and how will those arrangements be made?
- 2. Will I work with an in-country partner organization?
- 3. Are visas necessary?
- 4. Can students with special needs be accommodated?
- 5. What excursions will there be and how will they complement the program?

Cost

1. What is a reasonable cost to students? What will these costs cover?

