

ESL Program (Ryan Warner)

3 Recommendation of immediate availability of resources in support of the proposal.

3 Recommendation for proposal to be held in abeyance.

Comments and/or suggestions:

I think this is a very strong proposal, but I would like to explore Dr. Feight's comments about ENGL0093 before green-lighting. Perhaps some more details about how other universities do ESL programs would help me decide.

The proposal would support pre-enrolling students at SSU to make the transition into college. This would eliminate the need for this population of possible students to seek ESL elsewhere and SSU loses the enrollment.

May want to review a part time rather than fulltime position to plan and seek the approval of the necessary entities. Not sure if we have time to make a difference between now and fall 2016.

I support the creation of an ESL program, but think that we are not yet ready to move forward for this fall. I would recommend that the status of the Director/ESL instructor be taken up for further discussion. One way to handle this would be to house the ESL Program in the UC, rather than under CIPA. By placing the position in the UC we could make it a faculty position and provide release time to the instructor to serve as Director of ESL. Placing it under the UC would allow for the director to initiate the curriculum for UFS recommendation. I'm concerned about placing it under CIPA, creating a faculty position, and a curriculum outside the CBA and UFS system.

I believe the proposal provided by Ryan was well researched and clearly identifies the need for an ESL program at SSU. CIPA's delivery of this program is consistent with the majority of other ESL programs. SSU should be providing this option within the timeline proposed. I believe the proposed first year's revenue (based on pricing assumptions) was understated.

I thought Dr. Feight raised an interesting idea for the location of an ESL program within a College, but I understand these courses are not credit-bearing University courses. Since these courses are pre-requisite for University course work, I'm not sure housing it within the College is the best option right now. A program of this sort seems to be outside the typical University course offering structure.

If we had an ESL teacher preparation program, that would definitely need to be housed in an academic unit. We used to have ESL teaching preparation courses housed in the English Humanities Department when Julia Coll was here.