

E-Mail letter to IGSP Executive Committee following lunch get-together in the Executive Dining Room of the University Center at 11:30 on Friday, October 22, 2004.

Members absent: Leon, Eastwood. Guest: Robert Mee

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Thanks to all of you, and Bobby Mee, for coming to lunch today. Everyone seemed glad to meet each other, and some good ideas were generated.

I will start trying to contact IGSP graduates and solicit from them testimonials as to the value of their Stat minors or MS degrees which we can use as a bargaining point to request support from the University administration.

Your jobs are to propose projects which should be supported, such as

- additions to stipends to IGSP students to encourage them to pursue the Stat MS degree
- fund Fumiko to teach a matrix algebra course appropriate to social science students
- provide student support to IGSP Executive Committee members to help promote the program

Other things you could help me with are, for the participating programs in your college,

- let me know of changes to the program, department, or college name
- let me know of changes in contact personnel
- let me know of retirements of IGSP faculty members
- try to identify potential new IGSP faculty members and courses

Additionally, are there any departments in your college which are currently not participating which might be interested in joining?

What do you think about getting together again in January or February?

I am attaching pdf files of flyers describing the IGSP and the Statistics Certificate program. (They are a couple of years old and not completely up to date - but they ARE pretty!) Please feel free to distribute them to students and refer them to the indicated Web sites.

Thanks again!

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