
SPOELHOF INSTITUTE FOR CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP IN BUSINESS (SIGB)

GOVERNING BOARD

INSTITUTE DIRECTOR: GLENN TRIEZENBERG | BOARD CHAIR: JASON STANSBURY

A. Major issues addressed by the board during the 2010–2011 year

The board continued to advance the founding purposes and goals of the Spoelhof Institute.

1. The Institute continued to support Calvin's excellent internship program by partially funding internship staff in the Office of Career Development, the Business Department, and the Engineering Department.
2. Despite increasing total costs of salary support and weakened endowment funding, the Institute supported faculty engagement with communities of practice outside of the College by funding summer faculty externships in the Engineering Department and the English Department (David Wunder / Jennifer Holberg).
3. Calvin College was featured in U.S. News and World Report's 2010 annual "Best Colleges" issue as one of 15 schools with exceptional internship programs.
4. Student internships increased by 10% percent over last year for a total of 749 for 2010 – 2011. Again 80% of the 2011 graduates completed an internship or practicum while at Calvin.
 - The English department is implementing a mandatory internship requirement for all of their majors. The institute is funding a summer externship for English professor Jennifer Holberg to work with the career office to develop their internship program.
 - There are opportunities for students from all academic departments to participate in a credit internship since the Comenius Scholars internship course is available to students from liberal arts majors.

B. Actions the board brought before Faculty Senate (if any)

None

C. Other actions, not involving Faculty Senate, that the committee initiated or implemented

None

D. Issues that will continue to be before the committee next year

1. As appropriate, continue to fund internship program support staff.
2. As appropriate, and contingent upon the availability of sufficient funds, continue to fund faculty externships.
3. Investigate opportunities to garner external funding support for the Institute's activities.