| **ACADEMIC STRENGTH** | **How strong is the link to academic programs?**  
Meets a legitimate academic goal or requirement for students, providing academically credible credits.  
Is a part of department and college objectives, consistent with regular department curriculum.  
Builds the academic reputation and connections.  
Enhances faculty expertise and scholarship.  
Has full approval of the department and college. |
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| **WISE RESOURCE USE** | **Is this initiative a wise use of human, financial, and other resources for BYU, the Church (including members), and students?**  
Weighs the strategic importance with costs and benefits.  
Leverages student and faculty expertise and abilities.  
Does not presume upon members of the Church or Church facilities. |
| **PERSONAL & INSTITUTIONAL SAFETY** | **Is this program safe?**  
Avoids putting the students, faculty, university and Church in compromising, illegal, or unsafe positions.  
Avoids compromising student or faculty health. |
| **STRATEGIC VALUE** | **Does this program meet strategic priorities for the university, Church, college, and department?**  
Does not interfere with time to graduation.  
Is in harmony with the AIMS of a BYU education.  
Is the strongest affiliation BYU could make among many options. |
| **CULTURAL & POLITICAL SENSITIVITY** | **Is the program culturally and politically appropriate?**  
Prepares students for and promotes respectful and appreciative interactions with others and with an understanding of the social, economic, political, historical, religious, and cultural context of their experience.  
Avoids creating expectations that cannot be met.  
Considers the “ripple effect” of activities and the effect of terminating the relationship or activity.  
Avoids the appearance of siding with or supporting one political side or factions versus another.  
Considers what the presence of students may do to limited local resources.  
Coordinates all diplomatic contacts and invitations with Erland Peterson. |
| **ADHERENCE TO WELFARE PRINCIPLES** | **Does the service provided to others follow general Church welfare principles?**  
Responds to a locally defined and generated need or problem.  
Is sustainable and scalable once initiated.  
Supports personal and family responsibility and preparedness.  
Promotes self-reliance and does not create dependence on BYU faculty, students or resources.  
Does not create expectations that cannot be met.  
Avoids creating an added burden to local Church members. |
| **CLOSE COORDINATION WITH CHURCH OFFICIALS** | **Are activities coordinated within the university and with the Church?**  
Activities are communicated to the associate academic vice-president who provides coordination with Church entities and priesthood leaders.  
Is correlated through appropriate Church channels. |