

The Max Stern Yezreel Valley College

YVC Internationalization: Strategic Plan

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a.<u>Research</u>

- i. Encourage research applications in Israel, EU and North America
 - Tailored-made calls sent to faculty members by the research unit and research authority (potential purchase and use of software – directory of foundations)
 - Building research teams/networks/streams at YVC.
 - Senior faculty members will serve as team leaders and mentoring junior faculty members



b. <u>Networking – extending international</u> <u>partnerships and institutionalization</u>

- i. formal contracts with academic institutions in Europe and other parts of the world
- ii.research/project partnerships joint research/project applications
- iii.joint publications
- iv.teaching exchange/joint teaching



- c. International (English) YVC website
 - i. collaboration among IT department, faculty members from management information systems, marketing and PR department and a representative of the IRIS team



d. <u>Enhancing English Proficiency</u> (forming a team with a leading role of the English teaching department at YVC)

- Developing students' academic literacy in English (pilot with honors program students and courses for Masters students)
- ii.Guidance for faculty members to enhance motivation for teaching in English at YVC, faculty exchange and at a later phase students' exchange



e. <u>Enhancing teaching quality</u> (form teams led by faculty members)

- Cultural safety and sensitivity/managing diversity in the context of a complex society
- ii.First generation students
- iii.Students with special needs



2. Organizational Structure and Process Issues:

How to embed internationalization in the YVC organizational design? How to implement its functioning?

- a. IRO office, unit, a steering committee?
 Responsibilities, mandates, authority, accountabilities, resources?
 - i. First phase a steering committee (composition IRIS team + representatives of faculty members)
- b. Relationships with external stakeholders CHE? Municipalities in the region? The business community?



3. Operational Plan

- a. Forming a steering committee to mange YVC internationalization
- b.Building teams (strategic goals: a-e), convening team meetings, electing team leaders and outlining work processes