

**NACADA Region V
Development Grant for State Allied Advising
Organizations**

**Submitted by
MIACADA
Michigan Academic Advising Association**

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Proposal

Background

Michigan held its first statewide academic advising meeting on May 12, 2005 at Michigan State University with support from Region V through a Development Grant that was awarded to Dan King, Michigan Liaison to Region V. The conference was an overwhelming success with 156 paid registrations representing six community colleges and 18 colleges or universities from across the State of Michigan.

Creation of MIACADA

At the conclusion of the state meeting twelve individuals indicated that they would be interested in serving on a Steering Committee to form a Michigan Allied Member Organization of NACADA for the purpose of providing professional development opportunities to Academic Advisors throughout the State of Michigan. Led by Dan King and Deb Dotterer, State Liaison –elect, the Steering Committee met on July 27, 2005 to determine a governance structure, develop by-laws and select officers to serve a one year transition term.

The Committee members then returned to their institutions and sent out emails informing advisors across their campuses of the new organization and asking for their commitment to membership. An email was also sent out to all those that attended the state wide conference as well as all those NACADA members who reside in Michigan. Over 125 individuals responded from 24 institutions indicating their willingness to be dues paying members of a Michigan State-wide Allied Organization of NACADA. The Allied Membership Application was submitted to NACADA on August 10, 2005.

Second State Wide Conference

The MIACADA Board of Directors committed to holding a second statewide conference on May 11, 2006. The group selected Grand Valley State University as its site and Jennifer McCaul agreed to Chair the Conference Committee. Jennifer is gathering members of a conference committee and has confirmed the date and location.

Grant Request

The Board of Directors of MIACADA is respectfully submitting this proposal to request a \$500.00 NACADA Region V Development Grant to assist with the start up costs of the newly formed organization including the printing and mailing of recruitment materials and membership applications to be used during the upcoming membership drive.