

Application
NACADA Region V Advisor Training and Professional Development Grant
State Of Michigan

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SUBJECT: Application for the 2004 NACADA Region V Advisor Training and Professional Development Grant

Purpose

Academic advisors throughout Michigan have expressed interest in an annual or every-other-year, one-day drive through meeting for training and professional development. Many Michigan academic advisors are financially unable to attend NACADA national or regional events. This proposal is written to apply for start-up funds to help Michigan academic advising leadership plan and develop such an event with minimal fees to attendees. We also hope that bringing Michigan academic advisors together at a one-day, drive through meeting will promote NACADA membership and interest in developing a Michigan allied advising organization.

Plan

Event: A one-day drive through adviser training and development meeting.

Theme: Our key purpose would be to help collaboration between professional and faculty advisers throughout Michigan for student success. Possible theme titles could be, "Building advising Bridges in Michigan" (Mackinaw Bridge), "Building Advising Communities", "Collaboration for Student Success", etc.

Format: At this point only potential format ideas have been discussed. Charlie Nutt of the NACADA executive office has indicated that he would be willing to be a guest speaker at a Michigan drive through meeting. Therefore, if Charlie Nutt is available, he would likely begin the day as a keynoter and then we would have breakout sessions, followed by lunch, with some additional sessions following lunch, and then a general wrap-up/summary session to close the day. Below are potential formats that have been suggested amongst planning committee members.

- 1) 2 tracks – one geared toward faculty advisors, one geared toward professional advisors, with a general session with Charlie Nutt as guest speaker first thing in the morning. The theme could be carried through with both groups, each breakout session focusing on how each group can effectively collaborate with the other. The final session of the day could be a general session where ideas collected during the breakouts are shared with the entire group. Other possible breakouts, if time permits, could be "helping skills" for faculty and new advisers, and roundtables on student success topics.
- 2) Michigan Organizational Development Meeting (Include a Michigan membership fee). Include Charlie Nutt in a morning session to facilitate ideas for building advising bridges throughout Michigan for a more unified Michigan academic advising organization. For break out sessions reproduce 3-4 of the sessions presented in Chicago by Michigan academic advisors.

- 3) Ask individuals from different schools to present their advising models, the role of faculty within those models, and the challenges and successes with and for faculty advisers.

Time: Late Spring 2005 or 2006 (April or May) or Fall 2005 or 2006 (October or November)

Location: Possible locations that have been discussed are
Michigan State University – East Lansing, MI
Lansing Community College – Lansing, MI
Mott Community College – Flint, MI
University of Michigan (Dearborn) – Dearborn, MI

Potential NACADA Resources:

Clearinghouse of Academic Advising Resources
Charlie Nutt of the NACADA Executive Office
Reproduction of sessions done by Michigan presenters at NACADA sponsored conferences
NACADA resources addressing faculty advising and advisor collaboration
NACADA resources addressing forming a state or institutional allied organization
NACADA membership materials

Planning Committee:

Several individuals have agreed to actively serve on a planning committee for the drive through meeting, and many of their ideas are presented in this proposal. Names and institutions of those individuals are listed as follows.

Dan King – Michigan State University
Tim Champarade – Lansing Community College
Anita Carter – Wayne State University
Mariane Blair – Mott Community College
Susan Doyle – University of Michigan
Helen Wilson – Wayne State University
Stephanie Ritrievi – Michigan State University
Jo Ann Shabazz – University of Michigan (Flint)

Budget: We hope to attract at least 100 academic advisors throughout Michigan to the drive through meeting and will likely charge approximately \$25/per attendee to assure that we can offer a lunch. Therefore, grant money would likely cover facility charges, event marketing materials, and/or speaker expenses. Other potential sources of financial support will be explored through possible donations.

Summary

In summary, startup grant funds secured through the 2004 NACADA Regional V Adviser Training and Professional Development Grant will dramatically help a committed planning committee, organize, develop and market a successful one day advisor training and professional development meeting in Michigan during the 2005 or 2006 calendar year. In turn, we hope that a successful state-wide meeting will promote NACADA membership and sew the seeds for formation of a NACADA state allied organization in Michigan.

