

CALL FOR PROPOSALS: Advising the Whole Student, 11th Annual WACADA Conference, UW– River Falls

The Wisconsin Academic Advising Association (WACADA) has been established to provide state-wide opportunities for networking with colleagues, to encourage participation in professional standards of academic advising, and to foster recognition of academic advising as a profession.

The 2007 annual conference of the Wisconsin Academic Advising Association will be Friday, September 21, 2007 at The University of Wisconsin River Falls. Pre-conference meetings will be held on Thursday, September 20, 2007. Wisconsin Technical Colleges, UW System schools, and private colleges will meet in separate locations to address their unique concerns related to advising.

To submit a proposal (July 1 deadline), please visit the WACADA Conference Proposal Website at: <http://wacada.org/callforproposals.htm>

Please forward this message to any colleagues at your institution that may be interested in presenting a program at the 2007 conference, or may be interested in joining WACADA.

For more information please contact the WACADA 2007 Call for Proposals Committee Chair Justin Hauer, Pre-Major Academic Adviser, Outreach Advising Program Director, and Study Symposium Program Director justin.hauer@uwr.edu

Academic Advising
Lighting student pathways... Today

Academic Advising Today is the quarterly electronic publication of the National Academic Advising Association.

It exists to provide a venue for academic advisors, faculty advisors, and advising administrators to share their experiences and discuss their ideas about the theory and practice of academic advising in higher education.

<http://www.nacada.ksu.edu/AAT/index.htm>

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Dates to Remember

July 1, 2007
submission deadline
WACADA Grants

June 24-29, 2007
NACADA Academic Advising
Summer Institute
Burlington, Vermont

July 29-Aug. 3, 2007
NACADA Academic Advising
Summer Institute
Salt Lake City, Utah

September 20-21, 2007
WACADA Conference
UW-River Falls
River Falls, WI

October 18-21, 2007
NACADA National Conference
Baltimore, Maryland

2007 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

WACADA is committed to assisting our members in participating in professional development opportunities through classes, workshops, seminars, research, and conferences. We award two \$250 grants for professional development purposes. Your activity must be for a project that deals with academic advising issues and you must share your experience with colleagues. Please submit a brief proposal by July 1, 2007. The application form is located on the website at: <http://www.wacada.org/pdgrant.pdf>

Treasurer's Report

Cash on hand, 11/27/2006	\$7,499.49
Receipts	363.79
Disbursements	<u>1,956.65</u>
Cash on hand, 11/27/2006	<u>\$5,906.63</u>

WEB Resources and Info For You:

- http://www.bus.wisc.edu/undergrad/advising/gpa_calc.asp UW-Madison School of Business GPA Calculator
- <http://wiscareers.wisc.edu/Default.asp> WISCAREERS Career exploration
- <http://www.uwsa.edu/acss/advising/index.htm> UW System advising website
- <http://www.wacada.org/> Your member organization



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FROM THE PRESIDENT:

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Hello WACADA friends! It is hard to believe that it is April already! Since I have last communicated with you, a lot has happened. Many of you were at the NACADA Regional conference in Milwaukee, which was fabulous! If you were unable to attend the regional, and missed the Wisconsin state meeting, here are some WACADA updates we shared at there: First of all, we have SIMPLIFIED our awards process. We are making it easier for you to nominate a deserving colleague. In addition, in an effort to provide a benefit for up and coming advising professionals, we have added a new award for Graduate students (more on awards elsewhere in this newsletter). We have also committed to supporting professional development for advisors. In an effort to bring more

opportunities to WACADA members, the board has approved sponsoring NACADA webinars around the state. WACADA will pay the fee, in return for collaboration with surrounding institutions. If your institution is interested in hosting a webinar, please contact me for more information. The next webinar is scheduled for June 12 and is titled "Expanding Your Comfort Zone: Strategies for Developing and Demonstrating Cultural Competence in Academic Advising." Finally, we hope to unveil our new brochure in May—thank you to those members who have submitted photos for consideration. I will be in touch with photo contributors soon regarding selection.

As I stated in the last newsletter, my goals for this year are simple: To continue

to grow the WACADA membership, to increase awareness among WACADA members regarding opportunities available to them, and to encourage each of you to find a way to be a leader in advising, in whatever way feels most comfortable to you. At the Regional NACADA conference in Milwaukee, one WACADA member said to me "I want to be involved, but don't have a lot of time, or institutional support." We can work with that. Involvement does not need to take a lot of your time, or energy. We are always looking for ways that members can contribute, the simplest of which is maintaining your membership and inviting new colleagues to be members. We are only as strong as our membership. As Benjamin Franklin said, "We must hang together, or surely

we shall hang separately." We want to be YOUR organization. WACADA has embarked on our own mission of transformation: A new look, new opportunities and new faces. We challenge you to join us and make this the year of personal investment in your profession. Apply for a WACADA Grant, nominate a colleague for an award, and/or write an article for our website! If you have a professional development opportunity, or a job listing that you would like us to promote, let us know! Have I told you how excited I am to be your WACADA president? As usual, I invite any of you who have thoughts about anything WACADA, to share those with me. I can be reached at 608-265-5460 or rjryan@wisc.edu I look forward to hearing from you! ~Becky

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NACADA UPDATE

- NACADA Board of Directors announces NEW Emerging Leaders Program. Consider a leadership role in NACADA and mentor under a NACADA leader for two years.
- Next year's NACADA Regional Great Lakes Conference will be in Grand Rapids, Michigan on April 6-8, 2008. Watch for more details!
- Hot off the press - NEW Monograph, *Academic Advising: New Insights for Teaching and Learning in the First Year!*
- Check out the NACADA Webinars! The 4th one was titled "Student Learning Outcomes: Evidence of the Teaching and Learning Components of Academic Advising". Past webinars are available on CD's.
- Register now for *Effectively Engaging Faculty in Academic Advising Seminar* in Burlington, Vermont, June 21-22, 2007.
- Get details on two NACADA Summer Institutes on Academic Advising in Burlington, Vermont and Salt Lake City, Utah.
- See you in Baltimore, Maryland for the 2007 National NACADA Conference from October 18 - 21. The theme is "Advisors as Navigators: From Orientation to Graduation and Beyond". Sessions will be at the Baltimore Convention Center and the Hyatt Regency.
- Three Potential NACADA Interest Groups have been formed: Academic Coaching, Ethics & Legal Issues in Advising and History of Academic Advising.
- Watch for NACADA Great Lakes Region Grant information to be available this summer. Apply for a \$500 grant ... about \$5000 total to be given out!

<http://www.nacada.ksu.edu>

ADVISING AWARDS

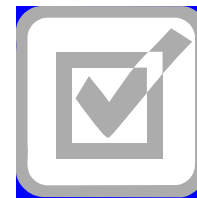
Since the implementation of the Awards Program in 2001, over 22 academic advising professionals have been recognized for their outstanding contributions to the profession of academic advising.

It is now time to beginning thinking about nominating a colleague you believe exemplifies the profession through leadership, outstanding achievements, new academic advisors to the profession, and advising excellence. Over the last few months, the program and process has been reviewed and recommended changes were proposed and approved by the Board in February. While the four award categories have not change, the process has. Previously, the nominator needed to submit a packet of information to the Awards Committee; now the nominator only needs to complete the "Nomination Form," available on the website, to the Awards Committee. The Awards Committee will contact each nominee and request additional information that will include a personal academic advising philosophy statement and a history of professional development. The Awards Committee will review all the information and make the selection(s).

The Board is also proud to announce the Graduate Student Award beginning in September 2008. Criteria for the awards will be: demonstrates comprehensive knowledge of coursework and applies this knowledge to practice; takes a leadership role and demonstrates a commitment to the advancement of the advising profession; fosters student development (cognitive, career, identity, personal) through academic advising; strives to create effective advising partnerships with students; and projects a learning and improvement ethos. Nominees will submit a resume and academic advising philosophy statement to the Awards Committee.

For additional information regarding all award categories, please visit the WACADA website at www.wacada.org or contact Cathy Mathweg, Past President & Awards Chairperson at cmathweg@mariancollege.edu or 920.923.8138 for additional questions.

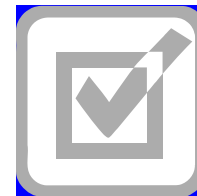
CHECK YOUR CALENDARS



2007 WACADA State Conference

Dates: September 20 & 21, 2007
Location: University of Wisconsin-River Falls

Chairperson: Michael Martin
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2007 NACADA National Conference

Dates: October 18-21, 2007
Location: Baltimore, Maryland

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE!

Now you can go online and download a WACADA membership list. This membership list is updated every time a new member pays their small fee to join. Please do not share this membership list with non-WACADA members.

Here is how you can login and download your membership list:

<http://www.majormatcher.com/wacada/login.php>

Wacada Membership Login Screen

Enter your email and password to login

Email

Password

Login

Forgot your password? [Click here to retrieve it.](#)

Login with your email and password at this screen. You must use the email you used to register for your WACADA membership.

If you can't remember your password, click here to retrieve it.

While you are here, please take a moment to view your profile and make sure your information is current and updated. If not, please go and edit your profile and save the changes. As always, if you have any questions, feel free to contact me at xiongh@uwosh.edu or call (920) 424-0206.

ADVISING RESOURCE CORNER

RESOURCES: Check out the WACADA website (www.wacada.org) for featured links to academic advising information. Your interest, membership, and trust are necessary for our continued growth and improvement!

SEE A WEBINAR! Many campuses and professional organizations like NACADA have started to offer webinars. These web conferences are presented live via the internet. Participating in a webinar is a cost effective way to connect with colleagues across the country. Be on the look out for these great opportunities.

CHALLENGE & SUPPORT: "The amount of challenge a person can tolerate is a function of the amount of support available." -Sanford's (1966) theory of challenge & support can help us be intentional about our work as advisors. Think about ways to create a balance between challenge & support when working with your students.

FOCUS ON LEARNING: "Tell me about what you are learning." This simple question can open up a conversation about learning and development inside and outside the classroom.

FIRST YEAR STUDENTS: <http://www.sc.edu/fye/resources/index.html>
Resources for working with first-year students, research on the first-year experience, first year seminar syllabi, and more.

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