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DECEMBER MEETING: DEPARTMENTAL WRITING CENTERS

The next general APAC meeting will be on Wednesday, December 14, from 12:00 to 1:00 in 309 HUB. A panel of UW students and staff involved in the Sociology Department's writing center will discuss how the center was created, how it is funded, and how it functions to assist students with their writing assignments in sociology courses. Please bring your lunch and join us.

UW PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEET WITH LEGISLATORS

An information exchange between state legislators and UW professional staff has been scheduled for December 13 in the Walker-Ames room, Kane Hall, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. This is a meeting to let local legislators know who we are, how we work within the University, and why we need their support. The brief program will include statements from the legislators on their concerns and goals for the legislative session and from several members of the professional staff, including counselors, describing our role in the work of the University. There will also be an opportunity to speak individually with the legislators in attendance. We are inviting those from Seattle and surrounding districts. If you want to make sure your legislators are invited, contact one of the members of the task force, listed below. Many of you indicated that you would attend a meeting of this kind and *we need a good attendance*. Time is short before the session starts and this will be one of the few opportunities to present our case to legislators. Light refreshments will be served. Contact Marge Baylor, 5-8691, for more information.

APAC Professional Staff Task Force: Holly Bauman, Marge Baylor, Julie Finlayson, Sandra Murray, Debbie Prince-Fenner, Shirley Shimada.



APAC BOARD REPLACEMENT

The APAC Executive Board has nominated John Burke to replace Deanna Fryhle, who is going on leave. The membership will vote at the December general meeting.

DANC: DEPARTMENTAL ADVISERS NETWORKING COMMITTEE

--- Ken Tokuno

The meeting of department advisers on November 9 was both stimulating and productive. The topic was keeping track of majors and the emphasis was on using computers. A spirited discussion took place in which various means by which the use of computers could be improved were suggested. A committee was formed to look into this matter; its members are Marjorie Maurer, Don Whitney, Della Rogers, and Betsy Palmer Crampton. If you have any ideas or issues to be considered by this committee, please contact one of the members.

The next meeting of department advisers will be on December 7, at noon in Room 209A of the HUB. The meeting will consider how the Student Data Base can be better used for advising and should include some continuation of topics discussed at the last meeting.

REVIEW: *THE JOURNAL OF COLLEGE STUDENT DEVELOPMENT*

--- Ken Tokuno

The Journal of College Student Development (formerly *The Journal of College Student Personnel*)

One of the difficulties in finding research literature pertinent to advising is the diversity of advising situations which can be addressed. They vary with the type of college, program, student, adviser, and student need. It is nearly impossible to find a study or article which pinpoints the particular concerns which you might have. *The Journal of College Student Development* comes the closest to being a journal which combines a broad scope of issues, relevance, and a reasonably sound methodological basis.

The bulk of each issue consists of research reports which usually require some graduate-level understanding of statistical analysis to appreciate fully; however, a close reading of the introduction, discussion, and conclusions can be fruitful. For example, one study in the volume I perused provided evidence that the level of job held by working students could be an important factor in grade point averages. A high-level job could offset negative effects of anxiety and reading deficits, while a low-level job had the opposite effect (Healy and Mouton, 1987). Another study supports the idea that it is important to balance a student's need for specific information with personal counseling (Andrews, et al, 1987).

The "On the Campus" section includes brief reports which touch on practical issues. In the volume I examined (Vol. 28) I found the following titles, among others: "Evaluating the Effectiveness of a Freshman Orientation Program," "Career and Life Planning: No Magic Answers," and "The Adviser in a Teaching Role." These are usually short, non-technical reports on programs and their value. Occasionally, the journal will publish an issue devoted to some type of theme, such as advising the minority student. Overall, the quality of the studies does not place it in the front rank of social science journals, but relative readability and the breadth of issues covered make this journal worth some of your browsing time.

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Andrews, M., Andrews, D., Long, E., and Henton, J. Student Characteristics as Predictors of Perceived Academic Advising Needs. *The Journal of College Student Personnel*, 28, 1987, 60-65.

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1989 NACADA CONFERENCE: ACADEMIC ADVISING AND INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS

The 1989 conference of NACADA, the National Academic Advising Association, will be at the Westin Galleria in Houston, Texas. Under the 1989 conference theme, Academic Advising and Institutional Effectiveness, the group hopes to examine problems and solutions in developing, implementing, and maintaining quality in academic advising as our institutions move into the 1990's. Keynote speakers will be Dr. Ernest Boyer of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teachers, and Dr. Kay McClenney of Mc2 Educational Consultants. Program proposals are due on February 1, 1989.

NAA NAME CHANGE

--- Ann Trail Gaponoff

For those of you who like to keep current on your acronyms, NAA no longer exists. Our regional professional organization now bears the more imposing title "NACADA Northwest." The coming March conference is the "7th Annual NACADA Northwest Regional Conference" This all happened as a result of our voting to affiliate with NACADA at the meeting in Vancouver last March.

STUDENT VISITATION PROGRAM

--- Stephanie Preston

Chris Benton, recently hired as an undergraduate Admissions Counselor in the Office of Admissions, is now coordinating the Student Visitation Program (SVP). Formerly under the direction of the Office of Special Services, the SVP allows prospective UW students an opportunity to experience campus life. Students interested in visiting campus through this program should contact the Admissions Office three weeks before their intended arrival. This will allow time for an itinerary to be prepared and sent to them. The itinerary may include a class visit, an appointment with an admissions counselor, a campus tour, and during Winter and Spring quarters, an overnight stay in a dormitory. If you have any questions about the SVP, contact Chris Benton at 543-9686.

STAFF NEWS

Curt DeVere is the new Assistant Director of the International Services Office, replacing Darryl Schoen.

* * * * * **Monica Elvig** is the new curriculum adviser in the department of chemistry, replacing Tamara Hayner. Monica comes to the UW from Seattle Pacific University, where she was the off-campus course registrar. * * * * * **Mike Magie** has left his post as Associate Director of Admissions and Records and is now Assistant Director of Planning for Branch Campuses in the UW Office of the Provost.

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* * * * * **Mary Oemcke** is the new half-time adviser in Political Science, joining Sharon Redeker and two graduate-student advisers. (Political Science has seen a recent increase in the number of its undergraduate majors, and now has one big honker of a student advising load.) * * * * *

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CALENDAR

- December 13 Information exchange between state legislators and UW professional staff
5:00 - 6:30 p.m.
Walker-Ames Room, Kane Hall
- December 14 APAC General Meeting: Departmental Writing Centers
12 noon
309 HUB
- January 1 Deadline for submission of paper, panel, or roundtable proposals for the 1989
NACADA Northwest Regional Conference. Contact Ann Trail Gaponoff,
Sociology Advising, 210 Savery DK-40.
- February 1 Deadline for submission of program proposals for the October 1989 NACADA
conference at Houston.
- March 22-24 1989 NACADA Northwest Regional Conference: "2001: An Advising Odyssey"
University of Washington
- October 15-18 1989 NACADA (National ACademic ADvising Association) Convergence: "Academic
Advising and Institutional Effectiveness"
Houston, Texas

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