

Diversity Project 2000 - Summer Institute

The Diversity Project 2000 (DP2000) Summer Institute took place August 7-10, 1996, in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The Office of Special Populations of the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), directed by **Lula Beatty, PhD**, was a major funder and sponsor. Other sponsors were: The American Association of Community Colleges, the Community College Network of the American Association of Higher Education, APA's Division 2 (Teaching), Psi Beta (the national honor society in psychology for students in community and junior colleges), and OEMA. This year 25 students of color at community colleges attended the four-day Summer Institute, along with five mentors who are psychologists at community colleges. The 1996 mentors were: **Yukie Aida, PhD; Maria Cisneros-Solis, PhD; Robin Hailstorks, PhD; Sandy Ladd, MA;** and **Arthur L. McDonald, PhD.**

In addition, NIDA provided funding for presentations by five established substance abuse researchers. The Summer Institute's project co-directors are **Sandy Ladd, MA**, of West Valley Community College and **Robin Hailstorks, PhD**, of the Prince George's County Community College.

The primary objective of the DP2000 is to increase the number of undergraduate students of color majoring in psychology through mentoring and leadership activities at the local, regional, and national levels. The DP2000 Summer Institute component was designed by Psi Beta in collaboration with APA's OEMA.

In the past, the DP2000 Summer Institute has enjoyed support from APA, the American Psychological Foundation, the Center for Mental Health Services, the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, and the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment.