

DP2kB Goes Regional, Summer Institute Planned for San Francisco
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Student at August 2000 Summer Institute in Washington, DC

The Diversity Project 2000 and Beyond (formally Diversity Project 2000) convened a two day regional mentoring and leadership institute in conjunction with the recent annual meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, in Washington, DC, April 20-21, 2001. The Psi Beta National Honor Society in collaboration with the Eastern Psychology Association (EPA) hosted the program for ethnic minority community college students pursuing careers in psychology. **Robin J. Hailstorks, PhD**, East Coast DP2kB Executive Director and Chairperson, Department of Psychology, Prince George's Community College, and **Tonja Ringgold, PhD**, Psi Beta Eastern Regional Vice President were instrumental institute

organizers. This is the first time the DP2kB institute model has been replicated at the regional level, although limited sessions adapted from the national model have been organized by former DP2000 participant (Class of 1994) turned West Coast Co-Director, **Tawa Witko, PsyD**, in conjunction with the Western Psychological Association annual meetings in 2000 and 2001.

As with the National DP2kB institute model, the EPA regional event included a number of leadership skills building workshops, mentoring development and networking activities, and information gathering about the opportunities and challenges in psychology. The keynote address was delivered by **Bertha G. Holliday, PhD**, Director, Office of Ethnic Minority Affairs (OEMA), entitled, "People of Color in Psychology: Knowing Our Past So We Might Forget Our Future."

Additional presentations and panel discussions were conducted for the two dozen ethnic minority community college students who attended the institute and EPA annual meeting. Presenters and panelists who shared their experiences and expertise with participants included: **Carlotta Ocampo, PhD**, Trinity College; **Jocelyn Turner-Musa, PhD**, Johns Hopkins University; **Dominicus So, PhD**, Howard University; **Jerina Wainwright**, Anne Arundel Community College; **Tonja Ringgold, PhD**, Psi Beta Eastern Regional Vice President; **Alberto Figueroa-García, MBA**, Program Officer (OEMA); **Keith LeQuay, MA**, Research Assistant (OEMA); and **Kim Nickerson, PhD**, APA Minority Fellowship Program.

The Eighth Annual National DP2kB Summer Institute will convene August 22-25, 2001, in San Francisco, CA. The National Summer Institute takes places in conjunction with the APA's annual convention.