

Diversity Project 2000 - Summer Institute

The Diversity Project 2000 (DP2000) Summer Institute is scheduled for August 13-16, 1997, in Chicago, IL. The Office of Special Populations of the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), directed by **Lula Beatty, PhD**, the Division of State and Community Systems Development of the Center for Mental Health Services of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), directed by **Joyce T. Berry, PhD, JD**, and OEMA will be major funders and sponsors. Other sponsors are: The American Association of Community Colleges and Psi Beta (the national honor society in psychology for students in community and junior colleges).

This year 25 students of color at community colleges will attend the 4-day Summer Institute, along with four mentors who are psychologists at community colleges. The 1997 mentors include:

Maria Cisneros-Solis, PhD; Robin Hailstorks, PhD; Sandy Ladd, MA; and Arthur L. McDonald, PhD. The Summer Institute's keynote speaker will be **Alice F. Chang, PhD.** In addition, student participants will hear from **Khanh Bui, MA**, Research Assistant, Social Policy Department, UCLA, **Martin Harris, PhD**, Program Officer at the APA's Minority Fellowship Program Office, **Arnold M. Kee**, Coordinator of Minority Services at the American Association of Community Colleges, and **Tony L. Strickland, PhD**, Chief, Neuropsychological Research, Department of Psychiatry, Charles R. Drew University of Medicine & Science.

Although inadvertently omitted in our February 1997 OEMA Communiqué article, other 1996 DP2000 Summer Institute cadre included: **Louis S. Albert, PhD, Khanh Bui, MA; Felipe G. Castro, PhD; Madonna G. Constantine, PhD; Pamela Goodlow; Jane S. Halonen, PhD; Arnold M. Kee; Delroy M. Loudon, PhD, and Tony L. Strickland, PhD.** In 1996, 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 J. 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 pursuing careers 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.