

2016-2017 Interest Group Report

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Name of Interest Group: Native American and Tribal Colleges

NACADA Mission: NACADA promotes student success by advancing the field of academic advising globally. We provide opportunities for professional development, networking, and leadership for our diverse membership.

Current IG Activities (List activities occurring – or planned to occur in the next year – within the Interest Group)	Key/Active Members (List key/active members of interest group)	Desired NACADA Support (What support is needed (e.g., from CIGD Representatives or the NACADA Executive Office))
<p><u>Presentations (Liaisons):</u> At both regional and (hopefully) annual conferences. Currently working to identify liaison(s) / ambassador(s) for each region of NACADA.</p> <p><u>Scholarships:</u> Nominating and identifying additional applicants who identify as Native and/or who serve as Native advisors, faculty, or administrators ... particularly from tribal colleges and Canada (First Nations)</p>	<p>Michael Bates (Cherokee) has been most active - volunteered to help staff the table at the fair this year and was the only member who attended the business meeting in both Las Vegas and Atlanta. I have reached out to him regarding the opportunity to serve as a Co-Chair. He was a recipient of the Gates Millennium Scholarship and works as an academic advisor for the American Indian Graduate Center (AIGC) in Albuquerque, NM, of which I am an alumnus.</p> <p>*17 attended this year’s business meeting</p> <p>*33 attended last year’s business meeting in Las Vegas, which was not surprising given the location and size of the conference (<i>37 signed the sheet to volunteer</i>)</p>	<p><u>Technical:</u> Nothing out of the ordinary, but support to administer changes for the web page is the most important thing. We will have a number of those to request this year.</p> <p><u>Visibility:</u> As a number of regional conferences are being held in Indian Country this year (Winnipeg, MB; Oklahoma; Montana; Nevada; Arizona), my hope is that Native students, topics and themes will be an enduring feature reflected at these conferences. It’s an opportunity to invite speakers from Indigenous communities to address membership, as well as to increase the number of members from these communities.</p>

Reporting Due Dates: This report is to be completed by **November 1** each year. to Commission & Interest Group Division (CIGD) Send a copy of the report to CIGD Reps Rebecca Cofer, rcofer@abac.edu and Erin Justyna, erin.justyna@ttu.edu, CIGD Liaison Elisa Shaffer, elshaffer@ksu.edu, and your CIGD Steering Committee Member.