

2016-2017 Interest Group Report

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Name of Interest Group: Canada

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))
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborating with sister organizations in Canada (national, regional, provincial) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Shea remains involved in CACUSS Advising CoP ○ Neil remains involved in AACUSS, securing the “Academic Support and Advising” divisional representation position • Contributing to a blog on advising in Canada (advisingincanada.wordpress.com) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Starting a list of contributors and potential topics (to be discussed September 2017) • Promoting advising-related educational opportunities available in Canada <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ongoing/continuous activity • Encouraging participation in advising and student/academic support conferences (NACADA and otherwise) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ongoing/continuous activity; we have provided information promoting NACADA Regional conferences in Canada, AACUSS and CACUSS Annual Conferences, reminder to register for NACADA 2017 (included in an “Advising CoP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shea Ellingham, co-chair • Neil Cole, co-chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Shea and Neil keep in regular, periodic contact, emailing about Canada Interest Group business every month, and speaking on the phone as needed (generally every month or two). <p>Volunteers (no defined roles yet)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrea Legato, Western University • Patricia McMillan, University of Ontario Institute of Technology • Ali Wood-Warren, University of Manitoba • Rhonda Christian, Durham College • Megan Vandendreissche, University of Saskatchewan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ These volunteers participated in a conference call (Feb 10, 2017) to discuss and plan a pre-conference workshop proposal that Neil and Shea would draft. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to suggestion from CIGD. • Information/resources for developing pre-conference workshops at annual and regional conferences. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A conference call was organized to plan and discuss a preconference workshop proposal; Shea and Neil drafted the proposal and submitted to the conference committee for NACADA Annual Conference 2017 (we were rejected). • If volunteers are motivated, we may host a zoom meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The CanadaIG volunteers and co-chairs are organizing a conference call for September 2017.

<p style="text-align: center;">Update, Aug 2017).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participating in and support development of a nation-wide, Canadian Community of Practice of academic advisors and academic support professionals. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Update sent to NACADA CanadaIG and CanadaAdv lists (Aug 2017) ○ Encouraging contribution to advisingincanada.wordpress.com blog; encouraging participation in advising related conferences and similar opportunities as they arise. • Developing a volunteer base for the IG. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Some volunteer roles have been tentatively proposed/identified; a Zoom online meeting of the Canada IG will identify volunteer roles in September 2017. 		
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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.