

WINTER 1994

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- January 1, 1994      1994 Standards go into effect. All self-studies must respond to the new standards. Also, after this date, programs applying under the Career Counseling Standards in Community Counseling will be accepted.
- April 20-24      CACREP Board Meeting in Minneapolis

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## CACREP Convention Sessions Scheduled for April in Minneapolis

If you are planning to attend the ACA Convention in Minneapolis this April, there will be a variety of CACREP-related activities.

### *Training*

**Team Chair Training** will be conducted by Dr. Janine Bernard and Dr. Ron Bingham. Each of these counselor educators has served as chair to multiple visiting teams and together they will share with you with some of their experiences, both positive and challenging. In order to participate, an individual must be trained as a team member and have participated in at least one on-site visit. Enrollment is limited, so contact the CACREP office and sign up early.

**Team Member Training**, for those new to the on-site visit process, will be conducted by Dr. David Brooks, Jr. and Dr. Courtland Lee. Practitioners as well as counselor educators are encouraged to attend and become an on-site team visitor for CACREP. Again, enrollment is limited. Call the CACREP office soon and sign up.

### *How to Write a CACREP Self-Study*

A command performance, this is a valuable session for anyone contemplating or in the early stages of compiling a self-study, either for initial review or reaccreditation. CACREP Chair Dr. Joe Kandor and Executive Director Dr. Carol Bobby will answer any questions and provide samples of self-studies with exemplary formatting. Call the CACREP Office to sign up for this session as well.

### *Information Exchange for Department Chairs*

We have scheduled a session where Department Chairs and CACREP Liaisons can meet together and discuss issues regarding accreditation. Representatives from non-accredited schools are encouraged to attend. More information on this session will follow.





## FROM WHERE I SIT...

Joseph R. Kandor, Chair

Because of the financial problems within ACA, CACREP is facing major cuts in its budget. Each year since CACREP has been in existence, it has received an allocation of monies and services from ACA. It is not unusual for a specialized accrediting body such as CACREP to be subsidized by the parent professional organization. In fact, when CACREP was founded in 1981, the initial documents indicate that ACA might be expected to subsidize CACREP to the amount of \$350,000 per year. This subsidy often comes from the parent organization because college and university administrators are not supportive of many fees related to specialized accreditation. In my own college, the School of Professions includes nine academic departments, six of which are either accredited or seeking accreditation: counselor education, social work, nursing, public administration, recreation, and business. The fees involved in accreditation are a major expense for departments and their colleges/universities.

CACREP's annual budget for the past two years includes \$100,000 from its own revenue gathering (fees, sales of publications, etc.), \$100,000 of direct subsidy from ACA (last two years) and ACA also provides office space, office services, payroll services, accounting services, etc. In addition, this past year, ACA decided to change its accounting procedures so that CACREP absorbed \$10,000 in depreciation costs.

ACA President Beverly J. O'Bryant has requested that all entities within ACA examine their

own budgets with an eye toward making cuts. CACREP will be making or proposing cuts in two phases. The first took effect on January 1, 1994, and the second phase will begin July 1, 1994.

On December 16, 1993, the CACREP Executive Committee of the Board of Directors held a conference call to make a decision regarding budget cuts effective January 1, 1994. The goal was to achieve a total of \$20,000 to represent \$10,000 from the ACA allocation and \$10,000 to cover the depreciation costs that have been allocated to CACREP and not included in the budget. The following cuts were approved by the Executive Committee:

- The Executive Director will return to part-time status. This is a significant change because the Executive Director became full-time effective July 1, 1993. Carol Bobby will be cut back to 30 hours per week.
- The legal fees were cut.
- Funds allocated for research were dropped.
- No new equipment will be rented or purchased.
- Cuts in publication costs for brochures, newsletter and team handbook will be made.
- The second public member on the Board will not be filled for the remainder of the fiscal year, reducing travel expenses for the Spring meeting.
- CACREP will not purchase a convention booth in Minneapolis. This will reduce travel expenses for the two CACREP staff members who would have operated the booth.
- The Chair, who serves as the liaison to the NBCC Board will not attend the January NBCC meeting in Santa Fe.
- The Executive Director will not attend the AASCB meeting in San Antonio in January.

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The CACREP Connection is published to provide information on accreditation issues and CACREP policies to the counselor education community. If there is a question you would like answered, or a topic or issues you would like to have covered, please submit a request in writing to: Jenny Gunderman, CACREP, 5999 Stevenson Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22304.



The total of these cuts is approximately \$21,000 for the last six months of this fiscal year. The CACREP Board will face the same financial issues for its April meeting in Minneapolis when it will cut \$40,000 from the budget for fiscal year 1994-1995.

The preceding proposal for cuts will be made to the ACA Governing Council and Financial Affairs Committee. CACREP does not know if these cuts will be sufficient or if ACA will request additional cuts. In addition, the CACREP Board will discuss possible sources of additional funding at the Spring meeting. If you have any ideas or suggestions regarding other sources of funding, please contact Carol Bobby or myself regarding your thoughts.

It may be needless to say, but CACREP will need to make some very difficult decisions. These cuts will have a significant impact on CACREP's strategic plan as it attempts to plan for the future with a significantly reduced budget.

*Editor's note: The cut to the budget for newsletter production does not mean that the CACREP Connection will cease publication. We will still publish twice a year, but we will use cheaper production methods.*

## Minute By Minute Board Changes

There have been no changes to the CACREP Board of Directors since the last *Connection*, however, we will be losing several Directors at the end of this fiscal year.

We'd like to say an official farewell at this time to Dr. David K. Brooks, Jr., who will be finishing his six year term on the Board on June, 30. As AMHCA's representative, he has been a source of knowledge and occasional humor throughout the years. For the past two years he has served as Secretary/Treasurer and has done an outstanding job of documenting the work of the Council. David, we all appreciate the hard work you've done for CACREP, and we will miss your humor and enthusiasm.

Dr. Robert Smith is also leaving the Board as of June 30, 1994. He has served two three-year terms, first representing NCDA and currently as IAMFC's first representative on the CACREP Board. We thank him for his years of service and dedication to accreditation and look forward to his continued support of counselor education.

## BOARD RENDERS ACCREDITATION DECISIONS

The CACREP Board of Directors met October 20-24, 1993 in Alexandria, VA to render accreditation decisions. An updated Directory of Accredited Programs is included in this newsletter.

### Initial Accreditation Decisions:

**SANGAMON STATE UNIVERSITY**, Springfield, Illinois.  
CC, SC, accredited for a two year period.

**STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY**, Nacogdoches, Texas.  
CC, accredited for a two year period.

**WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY**, Bellingham, Washington.  
SC, MHC, accredited for a two year period.

### The Board granted the following extension:

**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY- LOS ANGELES**  
SC, SPC, accreditation extended until June 30, 1995.



# NEW CAREER COUNSELING ACCREDITATION STANDARDS

Dennis Engels, NCDA CACREP Representative

Effective January 1, 1994, the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) will have standards for accrediting career counselor preparation programs. After more than three years of revising career counseling competencies and designing preparation standards for career counselor preparation, the National Career Development Association's proposed accreditation standards for career counseling have become "CURRICULAR EXPERIENCES FOR SPECIALIZATIONS IN CAREER COUNSELING WITHIN COMMUNITY COUNSELING PROGRAMS."

For important reasons, most notably quality, the process of obtaining CACREP approval always takes considerable time, and NCDA's proposal was no exception. Following deliberations by NCDA's Professional Standards Committee, the NCDA Board, and an ad-hoc accreditation committee, composed of Dennis Engels, Carole Minor, James Sampson, and Howard Splete, the standards were proposed. A national survey of accredited institutions was conducted, and the process continued with considerable follow-through and continued interaction by NCDA and CACREP. The originally proposed 13-page standards were modified to conform to CACREP's format, resulting in a 3-page final version, which was officially approved at the CACREP Board's October, 1993, meeting.

The new Standards specify that, in addition to the eight common core curricular experiences, the career counseling specialty requires curricular experiences in four major sections:

1. Foundations of Career Counseling, such as studies in history, roles, credentials, laws, professional organizations, and sociocultural issues relevant to career counseling.

2. Contextual Dimensions of Career Counseling, such as studies that address career counseling roles, needs, and resources.

3. Knowledge and Skills for the Practice of Career Counseling, including requirements which expand the Lifestyle and Career Development and other basic core requirements of the CACREP Standards; and,

4. Clinical Instruction, emphasizing supervised career counseling practice.

It is a pleasure to report the successful conclusion of a rigorous process that should be important in the preparation of career counselors in accredited programs, and non-accredited programs as well as all programs and credentialing bodies look to the CACREP Standards for guidance. These new Standards are yet another example of the growth and refinement of the profession of career counseling and the work of all who facilitate career development. The new standards are available from the CACREP Office.

## 3rd Cycle Begins

The arrival of the self-study and application from California State University - Northridge brought the first institution entering a third cycle of CACREP accreditation. That's quite an accomplishment and we look forward to many more years and many more schools joining the third cycle ranks!



# The Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP)

## DIRECTORY OF ACCREDITED PROGRAMS

### Entry-level programs

(master's degree)

- CC Community Counseling  
(formerly CCOAS - Counseling in Community and Other Agency Settings)
- MFC/T Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy
- MHC Mental Health Counseling
- SC School Counseling
- SA Student Affairs Practice in Higher Education  
(formerly SP - Student Personnel Services in Higher Education)
- SAC - counseling emphasis
- SAD - developmental emphasis
- SAA - administrative emphasis

### Doctoral-level programs

(PhD and EdD programs)

- CE Counselor Education and Supervision

**Please note:** Standards Revisions are a common practice in order to assure that the Council remains responsive to the changing needs of society. Therefore, requirements may change during a program's accredited cycle.

Some counseling programs at an institution with CACREP accreditation may not be CACREP-accredited. Students are advised to check with the CACREP liaison to determine if a specific area is accredited.

For specific information regarding any program listed in this directory, please feel free to contact the CACREP Liaison directly.

**As the Council meets bi-annually, the list of accredited programs is updated twice each year.**  
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CCOAS, SC, SPC, CE:PhD/EdD (1994)

Dr. S. Allen Wilcoxon, CACREP Liaison  
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P.O. Box 870231  
Tuscaloosa, AL 35487-0231  
Phone: 205/348-7579 • First Accredited: 3/82  
CC, SC, SAC, CE:PhD/EdD (1996)

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CCOAS, SC, SPC (1996)

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SC, SPC (1995)

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CSU/Northridge  
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Northridge, CA 91330  
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CCOAS, SC (1994)

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Phone: 916/278-5532 • First Accredited: 3/89  
CC, SC (1996)

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Phone: 415/338-2006 • First Accredited: 3/78  
MFC/T, SC, SPC (1994)

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\*CC, SC (1994)

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CC, SC, MFC/T (1998)

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Greeley, CO 80639  
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CC, SC, CE:EdD (1996) \*MFC/T (1994)

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CCOAS, SC (1994)

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SC, MHC (2000)

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CC, SC, CE:EdD (1998)

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CC, SC, SAC, SAD, CE:PhD/EdD (1996)



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CCOAS, SC, CE:PhD (1996)

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CCOAS, SC, SPC, SPD, CE:PhD/EdD (1994)

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CCOAS (1995)

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CCOAS, SC, SPC, CE:PhD/EdD (1995)

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# News and Views

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## TWO ORGANIZATIONS EMERGE FROM DISSOLUTION OF COPA

The dissolution of the Council on Postsecondary Accreditation (COPA) became a reality on December 31, 1993. For specialized accrediting bodies, such as CACREP, the dissolution of the 19 year old COPA signaled the end of membership with and recognition by this nongovernmental organization. COPA was designed to foster and facilitate the role that accrediting bodies play in promoting quality in American postsecondary education.

While the COPA Board held its final meeting in October at the Ritz-Carlton in Arlington, Virginia, two new organizations were emerging to fill the void created by COPA's dissolution. One organization, the Commission on Recognition of Postsecondary Accreditation (CORPA) was still in proposal form during COPA's final meeting. The second organization, the Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors (ASPA), held its second meeting in conjunction with the final meeting of COPA's Assembly of Specialized Accrediting Bodies. ASPA had held its initial organizational meeting in Phoenix, Arizona, in August.

The organizational structure of the CORPA was not finalized until late December, following a brief discussion and comment period during which time accreditors and other higher education agencies were invited to respond to the proposal's substance and viability. As the majority of both regional and specialized accrediting bodies that had been COPA recognized agreed to continue recognition with CORPA and submitted an initial sustaining fee of \$800 per agency to show an intent to participate, CORPA officially opened its doors for business on January 1, 1994. CORPA will initially be staffed by COPA's former acting director, Dr. Dorothy Fenwick. The initial CORPA Board will be members of the COPA Special Committee charged with creating CORPA. This Board is an interim board, and will serve only until nominations are solicited. The Commission members will be selected to represent the perspectives of both institutional and specialized

accreditors, presidentially-based associations of higher education, and the public. CORPA's outlined purposes deal primarily with the continuation of a process for the recognition of agencies that conduct a voluntary, non-governmental accreditation process.

Having been incorporated during the Summer, 1993, and having voted on Bylaws in August, the Association for Specialized and Professional Accreditors (ASPA) met for its second meeting in October to discuss current issues in higher education and to further define future activities of this new organization. Recognizing that part of the mission of ASPA was to provide specialized and professional accreditors with a united voice on issues affecting accreditation, the ASPA members spent time discussing the proposed successor structure (CORPA) and recommended several changes to the proposal which were subsequently sent to the COPA Special Committee. The ASPA membership also voted in its new Board members based upon requirements in the Bylaws for representation from a variety of perspectives. Milton Blood from the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) was elected as chair through 1995. He succeeds Sherril Gelmon, who served as the chair of the Assembly of Specialized Accrediting Bodies and first ASPA chair.

ASPA's purposes are 1) to promote quality and integrity in nongovernmental specialized and professional accreditation of postsecondary programs and institutions; 2) to provide a forum for discussion and analysis of issues among accreditors; 3) to address accreditation issues in educational, governmental, and public policy contexts; 4) to facilitate collaboration among programs, institutions, and accrediting bodies; and 5) to provide continuing education opportunities for staff and commissioners of accrediting agencies.

For further information on either of these two new organizations, please contact the CACREP office.



## Request for Annual Report Feedback Prompts New Procedure

Instead of the normal annual continuation report, the CACREP office asked for feedback this year on the entire annual report process. The responses were varied, but almost unanimous in wishing the continuation reports to be less frequent. Programs also expressed concern that the reports, often representing substantial amounts of work, were not given adequate attention when reviewed, nor was valuable feedback provided. Finally, many programs indicated that they would like to be made aware of innovative approaches used by other CACREP institutions.

A six member subcommittee of the Board studied and compiled these responses during the October meeting

in Alexandria. The full Board voted on and approved a mid-cycle report rather than an annual continuation report. The programs would still pay the maintenance fee every year and submit a form documenting any administrative changes, but the full mid-cycle report would not be due until the end of the third year. The exact format of this report is not certain at this time, however, because there will be fewer each year, the Board can give more attention to each program. We are working on ways to build more communication among programs about innovations. More information will be available and communicated to each program later in the Spring.

## CACREP Student Essay Contest Winner

CACREP accreditation was one of the strong, central factors that led to my choosing Appalachian State University's counseling program over those of other schools. When seeking a university program in which to do my graduate work, I looked at three main areas: 1. strong academic and professional reputation; 2. personable faculty and staff; and 3. commitment to academic excellence, highly professional ideals, and meeting human needs professionally through counseling.

During my interview with the program of Human Development and Psychological Counseling (HPC) at Appalachian State University (ASU), I was informed of its CACREP accreditation. I was told that in order to meet the requirements of CACREP, the university must maintain a student faculty ratio of 20:1, that the university must offer an array of specifically designed courses within each of its accredited programs, and that the professional qualifications of faculty within the accredited programs are stringent. I began to understand that in order to be CACREP accredited, a university must exemplify many of the characteristics that I had determined I wanted in an institution of higher education.

In the year preceding my acceptance by both Appalachian State University and another university, I took twelve graduate hours at the other institution. I learned of that university's struggle to become accredited by CACREP. The level of commitment to gain that accreditation further strengthened my appreciation of just how valuable the sanction of CACREP was to a university, and therefore the students who matriculated there.

Later, when I was accepted by both schools, I talked with one of my professors about my decision to attend Appalachian State instead of the other university. His response was, "That's a no brainer!", meaning the only real choice was the HPC department at ASU. Even the faculty at the other university were supportive of my attending ASU largely due to its CACREP accreditation.

My advice to a student trying to select a graduate school would be to strongly encourage his or her consideration of a CACREP accredited program. The CACREP accreditation provides an assurance of a quality education: the university meets the demanding standards of academic excellence and professional communities. The value of a degree from a CACREP accredited program would certainly be recognized and appreciated in the job market at the completion of one's program of study, and might well be the deciding factor in favor of the graduates of such a program.

I believe the value of choosing a CACREP program over one that is not accredited goes far beyond the assurance of a quality educational experience. There is a feeling that comes with working within an environment of excellence that inspires me to do my very best. The value of the CACREP accreditation will remain an integral part of my graduate experience in the years to come.

*Gary Thrailkill is currently a student in the Masters program at Appalachian State University in North Carolina. He will receive a student registration for the ACA Annual Convention in Minneapolis in April.*





## TRAVEL UPDATE

Effective immediately, CACREP will be offering all on-site team visitors the opportunity to use ACA's new travel agency, Adelman Travel Systems, now housed in our headquarters building. By contacting and booking through our agent, Ms. Linda Carter, on-site team visitors will not have to request a reimbursement for their airline travel, thus making their out-of-pocket expenses significantly lower. All CACREP team visit airline travel will be directly billed to our account. Team members will still need to be reimbursed for food and lodging and other related expenses. Once a site team is selected, names will be forwarded to Linda Carter and team members can contact her for reservations. Instructions will be sent out with each team packet. We are looking forward to a very successful working relationship with Adelman Travel Systems.

## CACREP Calls for Practitioners for Spring On-Site Team Member Training

This year, the Board would especially like to invite practitioners to apply for team member training in Minneapolis. Historically, our list of potential on-site team members has included almost exclusively counselor education faculty. We are making a concerted effort to recruit individuals from counseling settings to serve in this critical role in the accreditation process.

If you are a practitioner, please call us and we'll send you an application. If you are a counselor educator, perhaps you know a site supervisor or counseling center practitioner who would like to contribute to and impact counselor education in this way.

If you are an interested faculty member, we still want you! Please contact the office or send in the application in the back of the *Accreditation Standards and Procedures Manual*.

### Products available from the CACREP Office

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Price each</u>	<u>Total</u>
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# CORNER

## KUDOS

This corner highlights those institutions which we have noticed proudly advertising their CACREP accreditation or which specifically name affiliation with a CACREP program as a preferred qualification in their ads. These kudos have been taken over the past six months from ads in *Guidepost* and the *Chronicle of Higher Education*. If your program deserves to be in the spotlight, let us know, as we want you to be recognized for your share in CACREP's growth and community acceptance.

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## Still Seeking Nominations for Public Member

CACREP is currently looking for a public member to fill a vacancy on the Board of Directors. A public member should be selected on the basis of being a person with an informed, broad-gauged community point of view who can contribute a fresh, non-professional approach to accrediting concerns. In the case of specialized accrediting bodies such as CACREP, the public member cannot be a current or former member of the profession. Nominees should be able to make a commitment to attend the Council's two annual meetings in their entirety, review all accreditation materials in a timely manner, and respect the confidentiality of the accreditation process.

To nominate someone for the open public member position, submit the following to the CACREP office by March 1, 1994:

- 1) **A letter of nomination detailing the nominees' qualifications as they relate to accreditation and higher education issues.**
- 2) **Permission of the nominee.**
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