

# AAIDD Interest Network Annual Plan & Yearly Report: 2021

Planning and reporting on Interest Network activities designed to fulfil their purpose.  
(See the *Interest Networks Leadership Manual* for the purpose of the Interest Networks.)

<b>Interest Network:</b> <b>Multicultural Concerns</b>
<b>Lead Contact Person:</b> Ellis M. (Pat) Craig
<b>Annual Report</b> <i>For the year that <b>just ended</b> (July 1-June 30), indicate objectives met, activities completed, and funds used.</i>  Recruitment of additional Executive Committee members was not accomplished. Of two who had volunteered at the 2019 national convention, one indicated that her schedule was too full and the other did not respond to emails.  The Chair attended most of the online meetings of the Assembly for Professional Interests held during the past year. During the 2020 Virtual Convention, contact was made with one person who expressed interest in the area, and information was exchanged about one of the poster sessions.  No funds were used. However, the Early Career and Students Interest group did award scholarship in the name of the Multicultural Concerns Interest Group to a student presenter at the convention. There were a number of presentation/posters dealing with multicultural concerns at the 2020 Virtual Convention.  There are currently 50 members of the Multicultural Concerns group. Several group emails were sent to the members.
<b>Annual Plan: Goals, Objectives, Activities, and Strategies</b> <i>For the <b>coming year</b> (July 1-June 30), describe the planned objectives, activities, and proposed expenditure of funds.</i>  Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Development of a mission statement for the Multicultural Concerns Interest Network</li><li>• Presentations/posters by members of the Interest Network at the 2022 Convention.</li><li>• An average of at least monthly group emails to members of the Interest Network.</li><li>• Development of alternate posting sites (e.g., Facebook) to the AAIDD Community website.</li><li>• Establishment of an Executive Committee and communication from that group to the Interest Network group members.</li></ul> Activities: Interest Network meeting at the 2022 Convention.  Strategies: Identify new leaders of the Interest Network.  Proposed Expenditure of funds: Dependent on availability, financial support for a student or young professional presenting on multicultural concerns at the 2022 convention.

Due July 23, 2021