

# The 2014–2015 NCDA Awards

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Each year during the annual NCDA Global Career Development Conference, NCDA honors those who exemplify excellence in career development. The following awards were presented at the 2015 NCDA Global Career Development Conference in Denver, Colorado. For more information about the NCDA awards and winners visit [www.ncda.org](http://www.ncda.org).

## The Eminent Career Award

The Eminent Career Award is awarded to individuals who have influenced either the practice of, or the thinking (theorizing) about career development through leadership activities or scholarship. Their careers are characterized by frequent, periodic, and sustained activities over a substantial period of time. This award is considered NCDA's highest honor. And the award goes to...

**Robert Lent**, who has made outstanding contributions across career theory, practice, and scholarship. As lead author of the Social-Cognitive Theory of Careers he has offered the field a conceptual model to explain interests and their development. Lent has published 35 book chapters and 111 articles in premiere journals, and coedited 7 books. He has made more than 150 professional presentations and his 1994 monograph on Social-Cognitive Theory of Careers has more than 2,500 citations.



## The Presidential Awards

The Presidential Awards recognize exceptional contributions which advance the growth, reputation, and impact of NCDA. And the awards go to...



**Robert Miles** and **Charles Lehman**, are being recognized for their roles as co-chairs of the Veterans Committee. The hard work that they put into making sure NCDA is actively reaching the needs of veterans is outstanding. Working with Veterans across their careers, they continue their great work through co-leading NCDA initiatives to serve this specific population.



**Jenn Long**, is being recognized for her tireless work on the *Career Developments* magazine. Since she came on as editor, she and her talented team continue to produce a high quality magazine in each and every issue. Long's attention to detail and always looking to find ways to help members of NCDA with her selections of authors and articles is unparalleled.



**Lisa Severy**, is being recognized for her tremendous work on the impactful global career development conference program that was put on in Denver. Severy brought the same efficient and tireless work ethic to building and executing our NCDA conference as she does in her approach to her work at CU Boulder, where she greatly contributes to the fields of career development and higher education.

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## Outstanding Career Practitioner Award

The Outstanding Career Practitioner Award recognizes practicing career counselors, consultants, or teachers for outstanding performance in day-to-day service. Each of the following areas are considered: years of service, quality of service, and participation and leadership in professional associations. And the awards go to...



**Heather Maietta**, has demonstrated an enthusiasm and creativity for the field of Career Development. She has worked in Career Development for over 15 years, and her work in education and the development of exemplary career service programs has been well recognized. She is involved in many professional organizations related to providing outstanding career services and works tirelessly to provide those services to her students, her organizations, and her community. Maietta continues her commitment to the field by serving as Editor of the Higher Education Department for NCDA's *Career Developments Magazine*.



**Robert Miles**, provided a wide variety of career counseling and job search services to a diverse population at Gateway Community College in the career services office for nearly 35 years before recently retiring as Director Emeritus with several presidential awards. During that time he designed and taught a Career Planning for credit course, provided career counseling and service benefit certifications to over 200 veterans, and taught workshops on veteran's issues to faculty and community groups. He served as the director, counselor and teacher at a Veterans' Upward Bound Program; volunteer counselor at a work-based research unit in a VA Medical Center; and a private practice professional focusing on autistic youth and adults.

## The Merit Award

The NCDA Merit Award honors individuals who have made significant contributions to the field of career development including education and mentoring of career counseling students, development of or leadership in exemplary career programs, conducting significant research in the field, and/or advocacy efforts to inform and persuade policy makers about career development. And the awards go to...



**Diana Bailey**, is currently an independent consultant, and prior to that worked for the Maryland State Department of Education and later as a board member of the Maryland Career Development

Association where she made excellent contributions to the health of the organization through her leadership on the professional development committee. Later, because of her expertise with special populations, she was asked to create an online course for CEUonestop.com on the career development process for individuals who are incarcerated, which has become very popular and highly rated. Bailey serves on the CareerOneStop Advisory Board where she provides advice to the CareerOneStop Staff. Bailey has been awarded the Outstanding Leadership in Offender Workforce Development award from the DOWD Partnership, as well as the President's Award from the Maryland Career Development Association.



**David Duys**, has supported career development through his commitment in research, teaching, service, and policy establishment as a school counselor, a college counselor, a mental health

counselor, counselor educator, and counseling supervisor since 1989. Duys has previously been awarded the Outstanding Alumni Award, Collegiate Teaching Award, Excellence in Teaching, and NCACES Outstanding Professional Teaching Award. Duys' research has been focused in career counseling approaches with special populations, exploring training conditions affecting counselor cognitive complexity, and vocational issues. He served on the editorial board for the *Journal of Counselor Education and Supervision* from 2002 to 2008, and served as the president of the Iowa Association for Counselor Education and Supervision.



## The International Practitioner of the Year Award

The NCDA International Practitioner of the Year Award recognizes one member who has made a significant contribution to the advancement of NCDA's mission in their respective country, as selected by the NCDA International Committee. And the award goes to...



**Narender Chadha**, a renowned Professor of Psychology at University of Delhi, is an acclaimed national and international scholar known for heading various academic departments, authoring more than 22

books and publications of more than 100 research articles in National and International journals of repute. The President of two prestigious organizations, India Career Development Association (ICDA) and Indian Association of Positive Psychology (IAPP), Dr. Chadha is a certified Fellow of Institute of Career Certification International, USA and the Country Director of Asia Pacific Career Development Association. His illustrious career includes various awards and accolades for his contributions to the field of Psychology.

## Service to International Students Award

The NCDA Service to International Students Award is intended to recognize college/university career services offices and/or career centers that have made an active commitment to partnering with and supporting the career development of international students. And the award goes to...



**Purdue University Center for Career Opportunities (COO) Global Connections Initiative**, with

over 9,000 international students enrolled at the university, the demand for career counseling and career services delivery for international students is significant. They have two dedicated international career services consultants leading the staff that competently meets the international students' career needs. This Global Connection Initiative includes the addition of International Peer Career Coaching program, the Mandarin-English Speaking Career Fair, the Bilingual Student Career Fair and Purdue Pathways (legal assistance for H1B visas). The Center has establish strategic partnerships with campus and non-campus stakeholders to provide holistic career services for international students.

## Exemplary Career Center Award

This award promotes the continued development and implementation of thoughtful and innovative initiatives that support career development for outstanding service within the education, government, and/or community setting. The award goes to...



**O'Brien Center for Student Success – Merrimack College**, which

provides a home of endless resources to all students, as well as offering tailored resources to unique populations. In 2012 the Center launched Generation Merr2mack, a nationally recognized first generation college student initiative supporting the nearly forty percent of Merrimack's student body who are first generation students. The impact of this program can be seen within individual students and the campus at large. Over the last several years to center has expanded in size, quality, and approach. The Center's commitment to engaging groups in the career development process is visible across the campus and beyond.

## Kenneth B. Hoyt Lifetime Career Education Achievement Award

Established in 2010 as a memorial to Dr. Hoyt, this award is offered by NCDA and American Association of Career Education to honor Dr. Hoyt's life and work. And the award goes to...



**Dr. Pat Schwallie-Giddis**, Professor Emeritus, who has recently retired from George Washington University after spending her entire profession designing, implementing, and leading career education initiatives

and growth in the U.S. Dr. Schwallie-Giddis co-authored *Blueprint for Career Preparation* while working for the Florida Department of Education, which served as a model for comprehensive career development in many states. Schwallie-Giddis has served as the Assistant Executive Director and Acting Executive Director of the American Counseling Association (ACA) and the Assistant Executive Director for Professional Development at the Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE). Additionally, she served as Department Chair for Counseling/Human and Organizational Learning at The George Washington University. She has co-authored numerous articles, book chapters, and briefs. Schwallie-Giddis has served as NCDA President, NCDA Board Member, and Chair of the Government Relations Committee.

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## State Division Awards

The following accolades are for exemplary programming at the state and regional level. And the awards go to...

### 2015 Outstanding State Divisions

Colorado Career Development Association  
Missouri Career Development Association

## The Outstanding Career Development Facilitator Award

This award honors an individual who has made significant contributions in the delivery of quality career services to customers. And the award goes to...



**Carl "Duke" Wallin**, currently serves as the Career and Technical Education Coordinator/Counselor at ISACC Bear Early College High School in Wilmington, NC. Wallin has made exceptional contributions

to his colleagues at the state level on career development issues. He is often sought after by state consultants to plan career development summer conferences each year. Additionally, he serves in a leadership position at the request of the southeast regional career development director for the state.

## The Career Development Facilitator Champion Award

This award honors an individual who has promoted the Career Development Facilitator program by advancing the training of others and contributing to increased awareness of the NCDA Career Development Facilitator Program. And the award goes to...



**Linda Faucheuz**, is the Assistant Director of Career Counseling in Career Services at the University of Colorado Boulder. Over the past three years Linda has completed her own Career Development Facilitator training and

has become a Career Development Facilitator Instructor. Linda has provided a phenomenal level of support for those in our profession and has championed this incredible curriculum as a core training for all career development professionals.

## Graduate Student Research Award

The NCDA Graduate Student Research Award honors graduate students who undertake exemplary research, addressing topics related to career information, career development, and career planning. The award goes to...



**Amy Thul-Sigler**, Penn State University

Title: *The Effects of a Values-based Career Intervention on the Career Uncertainty Scores of Penn State Alumni*

## Research Grant Mentor Award



**Melissa Fickling**, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Title: *Career Counselors' Perspectives on Social Justice Advocacy*



**Shekina Rochat**, University of Lausanne, Switzerland

Title: *Efficacy of Motivational Interviewing in Career Counseling*

## Career Convergence Recognition Award

This award recognizes an individual contribution to the *Career Convergence* web magazine as determined by the editorial team. And the award goes to...



**Barbara Bissonnette**, for her article, *Career Planning for Individuals with Asperger's Syndrome* (June 2013).



## Outstanding Career Development Quarterly Articles

This year's recipients are .....

The first recipient is **Boram Kim** and colleagues for their article entitled *Construction and Initial Validation of the Planned Happenstance Career Inventory* (September, 2014)

The second recipient is **James Sampson** and his writing team for their article entitled *A Content Analysis of Career Development Theory, Research, and Practice—2013* (December, 2014).

## NCDA Board Distinguished Service Awards and Past President

The NCDA Board Distinguished Service awards were presented to the outgoing NCDA board of Directors members. Board members ending their term on September 30, 2015 include:

**Lourdes Rivera**, Trustee for Counselor Educators and Researchers

**Ron Cathey**, Trustee for State Divisions

**Lisa Severy**, Past President

## NCDA Fellow

An NCDA Fellow is a member of professional distinction within an academic institution or society. And the award goes to...



**Janet Wall**, is an award winning career development practitioner with extensive experience in, and passion for, creating career development materials, resources, programs, and high quality professional development opportunities. Keenly concerned with informed career decision making, encouraging individuals to make the best choices for themselves, the workforce, and the U.S. economy and security. Author of seven books and various articles, technical reports, reviews, book chapters, and research studies related to career development and assessment. Creator of online courses and mentor to other experts in the career development field who wish to share their expertise via technology. Experienced leader and contributor to various professional associations through committee work and conference presentations.



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