AAIDD Interest Network Annual Plan & Yearly Report

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

Interest Network: Student and Early Career Professionals

Lead Contact Person(s): Jessica Hoyle & Richard Chapman

Next Scheduled Election & Leadership Position(s) that will be Open for Nomination:

Spring 2025: Co-chair, Secretary

2023-2024 Report

For the year that **just ended** (July 1-June 30), indicate objectives met, activities completed, and funds used. In addition, please note if/how any activities enhanced diversity, equity, inclusion, or justice.

- Continue monthly planning meetings and social media presence via Facebook, Twitter, etc. Goal achieved
- Continue to send personal outreach and welcome email to new SECP members when notified by AAIDD of new members to the SECP Interest Network. Goal in progress
- Create opportunities for SECP members to learn about Interest Networks by directing the members to Annual Plans on the AAIDD website or asking Interest Network Chairs/liaisons to write a short blurb about their activities and posting them on SECP social media. Goal in progress
- Continue to expand IN Liaisons roles and responsibilities to share information and facilitate opportunities for IN membership in addition to SECP status. Goal in progress
- Invite leadership from other INs to attend SECP monthly meetings and share information and activities from their IN. Goal in progress
- Continue the manuscript review/writing group which provides writing feedback for SECP members. Goal achieved
- Submit IN specific abstract related to the writing group activities and accomplishments. Goal achieved
- Continue partnering with Research IN to host Research Colloquium as preconference session at AAIDD annual meeting. Goal achieved
- Obtain sponsor(s) for Research Colloquium so there is no cost to attend and create an opportunity for SECP members who are future leading scholars within AAIDD. Goal achieved
- Host a webinar through AAIDD that highlights the work of SECP members. Goal in progress
- Continue to coordinate SECP scholarships and luncheon at the annual meeting. Goal achieved

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2024-2025 Plan: Goals, Objectives, Activities, and Strategies

For the **coming year** (July 1-June 30), describe the planned objectives, activities, and proposed expenditure of funds. In addition, please note if/how any activities will address diversity, equity, inclusion, or justice.

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- Continue to send personal outreach and welcome email to new SECP members when notified by AAIDD of new members to the SECP Interest Network.
- Create opportunities for SECP members to learn about Interest Networks by directing the members to Annual Plans on the AAIDD website or asking Interest Network Chairs/liaisons to write short notices about their activities and posting them on SECP social media.
- Continue to expand IN Liaisons roles and responsibilities to share information and facilitate opportunities for IN membership in addition to SECP status.
- Invite leadership from other IN to attend SECP monthly meetings and share information and activities from their IN.
- Continue the manuscript review/writing group which provides writing feedback and support for SECP members.
- Provide an abstract writing workshop and peer review session prior to the AAIDD Annual Meeting Call for Papers deadline. We will design this event to encourage and prepare new and upcoming researchers to submit proposals for the Annual Meeting.
- Continue partnering with Research IN to host Research Colloquium as preconference session at AAIDD annual meeting.
- Host a webinar through AAIDD that highlights the work of SECP members. We will encourage proposals from SECP members who are participating in inclusive or equity-centered research.
- Continue to coordinate SECP scholarships and luncheon at the annual meeting.