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### MONTANA WRITING PROJECT DIRECTOR NAMED TO NATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD

MISSOULA--

Richard R. Adler, associate professor of English at the University of Montana, is one of four writing project directors named to two-year terms on the six-member National Writing Project Advisory Board. The appointments are effective immediately, according to James R. Gray, Berkely, Calif., director of the national project.

Adler directs the Montana Writing Project, sponsored by the UM English department. It is part of a network of writing projects at 80 sites in 38 states, Canada and England.

The Montana project started in 1978, modeled on the Bay Area Writing Project, which began at the University of California at Berkeley in 1974 and evolved into the National Writing Project.

Adler says the purpose of the program is to increase the effectiveness of the teaching and learning of writing from kindergarten through college. The Montana Writing Project does this by giving successful teachers of writing intensive instruction and practice through workshops, institutes, professional meetings, publications and in-service training sessions. Through these activities they learn from each other and emerge as teach-consultants able to train other teachers of writing.

The Montana project has produced 53 teacher-consultants in 34 communities from Outlook to Eureka. The training process for a new crop of teacher-consultants will begin with the fourth annual Montana Writing Project Summer Institute, scheduled at the UM June 15-July 10.

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The Montana project is funded in part by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the UM Center for Continuing Education. It is also one of four presidential projects supported by the UM Foundation Excellence Fund. These are projects identified by UM President Richard C. Bowers as enhancing the academic environment of the University.

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