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Sarah Louise Hervey Awarded \$15,000 Counseling Fellowship From NBCC and Affiliates



Fort Collins, CO—The NBCC Foundation, an affiliate of the National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC), recently selected Sarah Louise Hervey, of Fort Collins, Colorado, for the NBCC Minority Fellowship Program-Addictions Counselors (MFP-AC). As an NBCC MFP-AC Fellow, Hervey will receive funding and training to support her education and facilitate her addictions counseling service to underserved minority populations.

The NBCC MFP-AC is made possible by a grant awarded to the NBCC Foundation in collaboration with the Association for Addiction Professionals (NAADAC) by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The Foundation administers the MFP-AC, including training and collaboration activities, such as <a href="web-mediangle-me

racially and ethnically diverse populations by increasing the available number of culturally competent behavioral health professionals.

The NBCC Foundation MFP will distribute up to \$15,000 to Hervey and the other 39 master's-level addictions counseling students selected to receive the fellowship award. Hervey is a graduate of the University of Iowa, in Iowa City, and is currently a master's student in the addictions counseling program at Colorado State University, in Fort Collins. Upon graduation, Hervey intends to work with transition-age minority youth. She would also like to work with people who are often marginalized, such as ethnic minorities, who are living in areas where mental health services are often limited or inaccessible. Earning this fellowship will allow Hervey to develop leadership skills through webinars, conferences, and mentoring in the addictions field; learn evidence-based practices to better serve underserved populations; and advocate for the counseling profession.

The NBCC Foundation has also awarded 20 \$20,000 <u>doctoral fellowships</u> through the Minority Fellowship Program and 30 \$10,000 <u>master's-level fellowships</u> through the MFP-Mental Health Counseling-Master's (MFP-MHC-M). The Foundation plans to open the next NBCC MFP-AC application period in fall 2019. To learn more about the NBCC MFP and its fellows, please visit http://www.nbccf.org/Programs/Fellows.

ABOUT THE NBCC FOUNDATION

The NBCC Foundation is the nonprofit affiliate of the National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC), based in Greensboro, North Carolina. NBCC is the nation's premier professional certification board devoted to credentialing counselors who meet standards for the general and specialty practices of professional counseling. Currently, there are more than 65,000 board certified counselors in the United States and more than 50 countries. The Foundation's mission is to leverage the power of counseling by strategically focusing resources for positive change.