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## Samuel P. Findley Receives Military Scholarship From the NBCC Foundation



Greeley, CO—The NBCC Foundation, an affiliate of the National Board for Certified Counselors, Inc. (NBCC), recently awarded a \$8,000 2017 NBCC Foundation military scholarship to Samuel P. Findley, of Las Vegas, Nevada. The military scholarship is awarded to service members, veterans and their spouses who are pursuing a counseling education and commit to serving fellow military personnel, veterans and families upon graduation.

The mission of the NBCC Foundation is to leverage the power of counseling by strategically focusing resources for positive change. The military scholarship was created in 2009 to increase access to counselors for military personnel, veterans and families suffering from a shortage of available mental health professionals. Nearly 40 students from across the country applied for the six 2017 military scholarships.

As a military scholarship recipient, Findley will receive \$8,000 to support his counseling education and recognize his commitment to the underserved. A graduate of Southern Utah University, in Cedar City, Findley is currently a master's student in the clinical mental health counseling program at the University of Northern Colorado, in Greeley. Upon graduation, Findley hopes to continue his work with the military population. Specifically, he hopes to work with deployed service members and their families. As a deployed veteran, Findley has witnessed the difficulties a deployment can have not only on the deployed member, but on those within the family unit as well. Findley also plans on working with service members to transition back to post-deployment and civilian life. Earning this scholarship will allow Findley to continue to develop himself as a counselor through workshops and training as well as connect with other professionals working with the military population.

The NBCC Foundation has also awarded five \$8,000 <u>rural scholarships</u> to increase the number of counselors serving rural areas. The Foundation plans to continue offering scholarships to increase the number of counselors in the areas where they are needed most and will open the next application period in September 2017. For more information or to make a gift to support scholars like these, please visit <u>www.nbccf.org</u>.

## 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 60,000 National Certified Counselors (NCCs) 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.