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NBCC Foundation Awards Three Scholarships to Benefit Veterans

Greensboro, NC—The NBCC Foundation is pleased to announce three \$5,000 scholarships awarded to students in the North Florida area who have committed to serving veterans through a one-year internship at the Five Star Veterans Center. The scholarship program supports the Foundation's objective of increasing access to mental health care through professional counseling services, particularly for underserved populations.



Tasha Herner

Dimitri Johnson

Adam Kohlruss

These scholarships were funded in part through a grant from the <u>Delores Barr Weaver Fund</u>. The scholars are currently enrolled in a CACREP-accredited master's in clinical mental health counseling program; have accepted an internship at the Five Star Veterans Center; have knowledge of military personnel, veterans and their families; and have committed to serving this population for a minimum of two years upon graduation. The scholarship recipients are Tasha L. Herner, Messiah College; Dimitri Alexander Johnson, University of North Florida; and Adam Kohlruss, University of North Florida.

In addition to the \$5,000 scholarship, the Foundation will also provide the scholars with a sustainability package that includes access to mentors, training and other tools to help build leadership skills and professional profiles. The mentor program consists of dedicated National Certified Counselors (NCCs) who <u>volunteer</u> with the Foundation. The training provided to scholars includes <u>webinars</u> that are also open to all NCCs.

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 58,000 National 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.