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Loidaly M. González-Rosario Awarded \$20,000 Counseling Fellowship From NBCC and Affiliates



Miami, FL—The NBCC Foundation, an affiliate of the National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC), recently selected Loidaly M. González-Rosario, of Miami, Florida, for the National Board for Certified Counselors Minority Fellowship Program (NBCC MFP). As an NBCC MFP Fellow, González-Rosario will receive funding and training to support her education and facilitate her service to underserved minority populations.

The NBCC MFP is made possible by a grant awarded to the NBCC Foundation by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The Foundation administers the MFP, including training and collaboration activities, such as [webinars](#), that are open to all National Certified Counselors (NCCs). The goal of the program is to strengthen the infrastructure that engages diverse individuals in counseling and increases the number of professional counselors providing effective, culturally competent services to underserved populations.

The NBCC Foundation will distribute \$20,000 to González-Rosario and the other 19 doctoral counseling students selected to receive the fellowship award. González-Rosario is a graduate of Florida International University, in Miami, and is currently a doctoral student in the counselor education and supervision program at The University of Tennessee, in Knoxville. González-Rosario has a strong passion for supporting children and adolescents' wellness in schools. Her research interests relate to play therapy, with a particular interest in school counselor applications for immigrant and international students. She is currently working alongside Centro Hispano of East Tennessee to support their advocacy efforts for Latinx students in East Tennessee. She is also the current Minority Concerns Chairperson for Schools within the Florida Association for Multicultural Counseling and Development. This fellowship will allow González-Rosario to serve children and adolescents from underserved populations as well as increase her international professional involvement.

The NBCC Foundation has also awarded 30 \$10,000 [master's-level fellowships](#) through the MFP-Mental Health Counseling-Master's (MFP-MHC-M) and 40 [master's-level fellowships](#) of \$15,000 through the MFP-Addictions Counselors (MFP-AC). The Foundation plans to open the next NBCC MFP application period in fall 2019. To learn more about the NBCC MFP and its fellows, please visit 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 66,000 board certified counselors in the United States and over 50 countries. The Foundation's mission is to leverage the power of counseling by strategically focusing resources for positive change.

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