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### **Morgan Lynn Receives Rural Scholarship From the NBCC Foundation**

Statesboro, GA—The NBCC Foundation, an affiliate of the National Board for Certified Counselors, Inc. (NBCC), recently awarded a \$5,000 2015 NBCC Foundation rural scholarship to Morgan Lynn, of Glennville, Georgia. The rural scholarship is awarded to counseling students who commit to practicing in rural areas upon graduation.



The mission of the NBCC Foundation is to leverage the power of counseling by strategically focusing resources for positive change. The Foundation created the rural scholarship in 2009 to improve access to counseling services in rural communities, which suffer disproportionately from a lack of mental health care. Nearly 40 students from across the country applied for the five 2015 rural scholarships.

As a rural scholarship recipient, Lynn will receive \$5,000 to support her counseling education and recognize her commitment to the underserved. Lynn is both a student and graduate of Georgia Southern University in Statesboro, where she is currently a master's student in the clinical mental health counseling program. Upon graduation, she would like to work with children, adolescents, couples and families in rural areas. She believes that each of these populations has an impact on the others. The couples as well as the children will impact the family system and the family will impact the couples and children. To improve functioning for a variety of these individuals, it is helpful to work with the systems they are involved in whenever possible and desired by the client. This scholarship will help Lynn to achieve her goal of working with rural clients after finishing her degree. The scholarship award will help to ensure that she makes it through her program without the added stress of financial debt and the educational materials will provide her with the knowledge and preparation that she needs to work effectively in rural communities.

The NBCC Foundation has also awarded five \$5,000 military scholarships to increase the number of counselors serving fellow military personnel, veterans and their families. 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 2015. For more information or to make a gift in support of the Foundation's mission, please visit <http://www.nbccf.org>.

#### 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 55,000 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.

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