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Crystal Ann Galloway Receives Military Scholarship From the NBCC Foundation



Aurora, CO—The NBCC Foundation, an affiliate of the National Board for Certified Counselors, Inc. (NBCC), recently awarded an \$8,000 2018 NBCC Foundation military scholarship to Crystal Ann Galloway, of Aurora, Colorado. 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. More than 40 students from across the country applied for the six 2018 military scholarships.

As a military scholarship recipient, Galloway will receive \$8,000 to support her counseling education and recognize her commitment to the underserved. A graduate of Colorado Christian University, in Lakewood, Galloway is currently a master's student in the clinical mental health counseling program at Denver Seminary, in Littleton, Colorado. Upon graduation, Ms. Galloway intends to work with military veterans. She plans to serve in the Veterans Administration as a clinical mental health counselor if possible or for other veterans assistance organizations. She would like to fill what she perceives as a gap in mental health assistance for veterans by providing critical continuity of care. Earning this fellowship will allow Ms. Galloway to continue to pursue her master's degree in clinical mental health and to participate in additional educational broadening opportunities in the counseling profession.

The NBCC Foundation has also awarded six \$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 fall 2018. 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 64,000 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.