NBCC Minority Fellowship Program

The National Board for Certified Counselors Minority Fellowship Program (NBCC MFP) strengthens the infrastructure that engages diverse individuals in the counseling profession and increases the number of professional counselors skilled in providing effective services to underserved populations.

The NBCC MFP provides up to 24 fellowships of \$20,000 each to doctoral counseling students, up to 40 fellowships of up to \$11,000 each to master's-level addictions counseling students through the MFP-Addictions Counselors (MFP-AC), and up to 40 fellowships of \$5,000 each to master's-level mental health counseling students through the MFP-Youth (MFP-Y).

The master's fellowships increase the number of culturally competent addictions counselors and mental health counselors available to underserved minority populations, with a specific focus on transition-age youth (ages 16– 25), while the doctoral awards enable Fellows to provide leadership to the profession through education, research and practice benefiting vulnerable underserved consumers.

NBCC is the nation's premier professional certification board serving counselors who meet standards for the general and specialty practices of the profession. The NBCC Foundation, an affiliate of NBCC and a philanthropic nonprofit organization, administers the NBCC MFP. In addition to administering the fellowships, the Foundation provides Fellows with a sustainability package that includes access to mentors, training, supervision, and other tools to help build leadership skills and professional profiles.

