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Drs. L. Robert McConnell & Eddie Glenn-Bryant Student Scholarship Award Application

Submission Deadline | April 25, 2016

**Conference Awards Committee Co-chairs:
Dr. Keith B. Wilson & Dr. DeAnna Henderson**



Purpose: To support students representing culturally diverse populations who are pursuing undergraduate or graduate degrees in rehabilitation counseling or a related area.

Eligibility: All applicants must be students representing culturally diverse populations who are pursuing undergraduate or graduate degrees in rehabilitation counseling or a related area. Eligible applicants must also be student members of NAMRC.

Selection Criteria: At the graduate level, a minimum of 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale OR at the undergraduate level, a minimum of 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale. All applicants must submit a four to six (4-6) page response to an essay question developed by the Scholarship Committee focused on multicultural issues. Applicants will need to submit three (3) letters of recommendation to be reviewed by the NAMRC Scholarship Committee. Lastly, as an award winner, an agreement must be made to attend and present a paper at the 2016 NAMRC Conference. The paper could also be the submitted essay for the award.

Award Amounts: The amount of \$1,000 will be provided to either an undergraduate or graduate student recipient.

Process: Applicants must complete a scholarship application that includes a brief statement of current grants, scholarships and/or financial aid; an official transcript; a response to the essay question; and three (3) letters of recommendation. Letters of recommendation must come from the following sources: **A)** an educator in the field of rehabilitation counseling or related area; **B)** a community sponsor who is knowledgeable about the student in an employment or volunteer capacity; and **C)** other (non-relative) letter of applicant's choice. Please submit one hard copy by mail of the official transcripts and one electronic copy (double-spaced) in Word format or PDF of all other documents to address listed on the last page of this document.

(Type or print clearly using black ink)

Name of Applicant _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____ E-mail _____

My minority racial/ethnic identification is:

____ African-American/Black ____ Asian
____ Latino/Hispanic ____ American Indian/Alaskan Native
____ Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander
____ Other (Specify) _____

Are you a student member of NAMRC? Yes _____ No _____ Membership # _____

Are you a student member of another related professional rehabilitation or counseling association?

Yes _____ No _____

Association Name _____ Membership # _____

I am applying as an *Undergraduate* _____ *Graduate* _____ student (check one)

My current GPA is _____ based on _____ credit hours earned to date.

**** (A statement of current grants, scholarships and/or financial aid, as well as an official copy of your transcript/an official letter/document from the university/college registrar's office indicating that you are currently enrolled at the institution this academic term must accompany the application.)**

Institution's Name (where you are currently enrolled): _____

Address _____

Is the rehabilitation program CORE accredited? Yes _____ No _____

Name of Coordinator/Director/Chair of Program: _____

Telephone Number _____ E-mail _____

Academic advisor _____ Telephone number _____

References: Provide information regarding the individuals who will be submitting letters of recommendation in support of your application. All letters must be received by the deadline.

Educator in the field of Rehabilitation Counseling or related area:

Name _____ Institution _____

Address _____

Telephone number _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Community Sponsor:

Name _____ Institution _____

Address _____

Telephone number _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Other (non-relative):

Name _____ Relationship _____

Institution _____

Address _____

Telephone number _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

If selected as an award recipient, it is understood that attendance and presentation of a paper is required at the annual NAMRC Conference to be held in New Orleans, Louisiana July 14-16, 2016

Signature indicates that _____ (applicant's name) has read, understands and will abide by the scholarship eligibility requirements as outlined above. I understand that failure to fulfill all obligations or falsification of information will result in forfeiture of the scholarship.

Applicants are required to submit a scholarly written four to six (4-6) page paper with a minimum of 3 current professional reference citations, responding to a selected question developed by the scholarship committee related to multicultural issues. Quotes or citations of other's work should be appropriately credited/documented/cited. Please submit one electronic copy in Word or PDF. Plagiarism will not be tolerated; when found, applicant will be disqualified from consideration.

Essay Question:

All applicants must respond to the following question:

Individuals with disabilities from marginalized groups (e.g., women, people of color, etc.) face a number of social injustices including, but not limited to, access to and equity in rehabilitation services.

Think about the social justice issues that plague individuals with disabilities, particularly those from marginalized groups, and identify strategies that can be implemented to "change the game" for people with disabilities who are part of marginalized groups.

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Submit all application materials to:

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The deadline for submission of all materials is Monday, April 25, 2016. Recipients will be notified by May 9, 2016



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