

Chuck Goodrum Grant

For students in graduate programs in Georgia which may lead to employment as a college counselor.

The Georgia College Counseling Association - GCCA

Grant description and criteria

The Chuck Goodrum Grants are named in honor of the founder of Georgia College Counseling Association. The grants are given yearly by the Georgia College Counseling Association. The information below applies to the 2009 – 2010 academic year. For information about the GCCA please go to our website www.gacollegecounseling.org

Grant winners will receive:

1. Cash grant of \$750.
2. Registration and meals at the GCCA Annual Conference.
3. Room at the Annual Conference at the King and Prince Beach Resort in Saint Simons Island, Georgia.

Grant winners are expected to present at the Annual Conference either in a poster session or in a regular session and may co-present with professionals.

Criteria for applicants:

1. The applicant must be a masters, specialist, or doctoral level student in a program which prepares students to become a college counselor if they choose. This could be counseling, social work, psychology, marriage and family therapy, or other related program.
2. The applicant must be a member of the Georgia College Counseling Association. Membership is free for students. Applications are available on our website www.gacollegecounseling.org
3. The applicant's program must be based in the State of Georgia or they must be attending a campus in Georgia.
4. The applicant must submit the appropriate application which includes a statement of need. The applicant must be willing to submit supporting documentation if requested. This may include tax return information, employment verification, or other documentation. This information will only be used by the selection committee and will be destroyed after the grant(s) have been awarded. Personally identifiable information will not be released to the selection committee.
5. The applicant must submit two letters of support/reference, one of which must come from a faculty member in the program in which the student is enrolled. References should be submitted in writing in a sealed envelope directly to designated GCCA representative.
6. The applicant must submit proof of enrollment.

A committee composed of GCCA members appointed by the President and approved by the Council will review all applications and make recommendations to the Council as to whom the grant should be awarded. The review process will be "blind." Applicants will

be assigned a number and personally identifiable information will be removed before it is reviewed by the committee. Scholastic accomplishment, demonstrated leadership, and need will be considered in determining to whom the grant will be awarded.

The Council will make a final vote based on the Grant Committee recommendations.

The cash award part of the grant has no restrictions on use. Grant winners are expected to present at the Annual Conference either in a poster session or in a regular session and assist at the conference. If grant winners are unable to travel to the conference they will be expected to present at a GCCA regional workshop. They will not be able to use the room at the King and Prince or complimentary meals at another time.

The Council may modify the criteria or other aspects of the grant. The Council may elect to offer more than one grant during a given year.

Timetable

Deadline for applications October 1, 2009.

Late November - Award winners will be notified.

Awards will be announced at the annual conference January 27 – 29, 2010.