



## **Haberman-Williams MaMHCA Scholarship Guidelines 2016-17 Scholarship Year**

### **Introduction**

The scholarship fund was established in 2010 by the Massachusetts Mental Health Counselor Association (MaMHCA) and is named in the honor of two people who have played integral roles in the development and success of Licensed Mental Health Counselors in Massachusetts - Berna Haberman, founder of MaMHCA and Midge Williams, long-time MaMHCA Executive Director.

### **Purpose**

To recognize a MaMHCA member who is an outstanding graduate student in mental health counseling and who exemplifies the ideal mental health counseling student through academic performance and commitment to mental health counseling.

### **Award**

This important recognition is accompanied with:

1. a \$1,000 scholarship,
2. a one year MaMHCA membership during the scholarship year,
3. mentoring support including but not limited to licensing support services, and
4. an annual conference fee waiver during scholarship year.

### **Award Period**

The length of the scholarship award is for one year, non-renewable, with equal amounts distributed over two semesters. We will also consider candidates who only have one semester to complete before graduation.

## **Eligibility Criteria**

The honoree must meet the following minimum criteria:

1. Be a MaMHCA member in good standing,
2. Enrolled in a graduate program studying Counseling,
3. Holds minimum of 3.4 GPA in her/his graduate program,
4. Demonstrates dedication to mental health issues in the community and the field of mental health counseling,
5. Exhibits leadership in the community, a graduate program, or related organization, and
6. Commitment to attend MaMHCA Board of Directors meetings during scholarship year.

MaMHCA Board Members, MaMHCA employees, and their relatives along with previous recipients are ineligible for the award.

## **Application**

Application form is enclosed.

## **Timeline**

- May 15:       Deadline for Application  
                  All applications materials must be received  
                  Committee begins review
- June 15:       Scholarship Recipient notified