



Canada's Counsellors and Psychotherapists Honour Calgary Master's Student With Marsh Bursary Award

Calgary, AB (22/07/2014) The Canadian Counselling and Psychotherapy Association (CCPA) is proud to honour Athabasca graduate, Gina Ko with the CCPA/Marsh Student Bursary Award at their awards ceremony held recently in Victoria, British Columbia.

The CCPA awards program acknowledges all of the unsung heroes and persons worthy of recognition in the counsellors and psychotherapists profession. CCPA commends all members far and wide who daily make a positive difference in the lives of people and the advancement of the profession.

"The awards program recognizes and honours some outstanding individuals in the counselling and psychotherapy profession," said Dr. Blythe Shepard. "From students emerging into our profession to those who have been practitioners, supervisors, and mentors, CCPA offers its appreciation for their work in growing a strong foundation of caring and action."

This CCPA/Marsh Student Bursary is for student members demonstrating academic excellence.

Gina is a graduate of Athabasca University with a Master's Degree in Counselling Psychology. She is involved with CCPA as part of the National Program Committee for the CCPA National Conference and is also a Student Liaison for the Alberta/Northwest Territories Chapter. She is employed as a counsellor at Eastside Family Centre where she works with individuals, couples, and families using the single-session walk-in model. This is a service offered, at no cost, for people living in and surrounding the Calgary area. In addition, she works as a Teaching Assistant for the Graduate Centre for Applied Psychology with Athabasca University. In September 2014, Gina will begin a doctoral program at the University of Calgary in Educational Leadership with a focus on school wellness; she has been awarded the Highs Eye Doctoral Scholarship to this aim. She aspires to become a Registered Psychologist as well as teach at a post-secondary institution.

The CCPA Awards, a program in effect for over 30 years are presented annually at their conference.

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