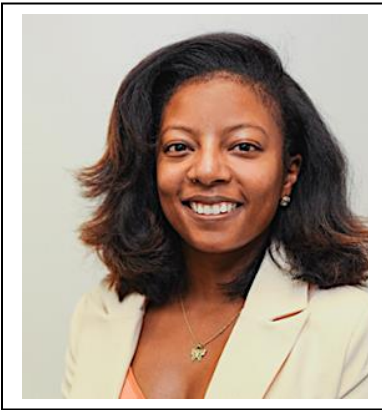


Galaxina G. Wright, PhD, LMHC, NCC

Candidate for Trustee of Counselor Educators and Researchers



Galaxina G. Wright is a counselor educator at Nova Southeastern University (NSU). She teaches in the Clinical Mental Health Counseling program and is the course lead for the *Career Development & Lifestyle* course. In addition, she has taught *Research and Evaluation* at three different universities. Throughout the span of her career, Galaxina has served as a career counselor, educator, and advocate in a variety of settings including university career centers, nonprofit organizations, and local government.

Currently, Galaxina serves as the President for the Florida Career Development Association (FCDA) and has been active in its success for division reinstatement. Since the start of her leadership, the division has increased its membership rate by 90%, obtained the *2023 Outstanding Division Award*, as well as hosted three webinar sessions and the Annual FCDA Summit, totaling 7 CEUs opportunities for its members. She also serves as the current Co-Chair for the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision's Career Interest Network (CIN), participated in the inaugural Counselor Educator Academy in 2023, written posts for the *Career Convergence* magazine, and co-presented a podcast for the *Career Practitioner Conversations with NCDA*.

Galaxina received her Master's degree in Marriage, Couple & Family Therapy from Regent University, and her Ph.D. from the University of Central Florida. In merely three years, she has (a) published six career and career-related articles, (b) has served as the primary investigator for five empirical research studies, (c) been awarded approximately \$20,000 in research funding from various organizations and institutions, and (d) provided 11 graduate students with opportunities to engage in research. Galaxina's research endeavors involve collaborating and aiding non-profit community partners with job search assistance for historically marginalized populations (i.e., transitioning foster youth and low SES communities), including *Christian Help* and *The FLITE Center*. Her research tasks and initiatives have aided with bridging the gap between career research and practice.

Goal Statement:

If elected as the Trustee for Counselor Educators and Researchers, one of my primary goals is to provide a collaborative platform where varying professionals may freely share insights, innovations, and concerns to ensure a broad range of perspectives, experiences, and cultural nuances are reflected and recognized. She also plans to advocate for additional funding opportunities for counselor educators and researchers, so that they may be supported while pursuing their research endeavors. Finally, she has a special interest in providing resources and webinars that aid early career counselor educators with successful tenure and promotion processes.