

Camille T. Barry Nursing PhD Scholarship

Camille Barry, MSN '86, and PhD '92, was the first recipient of a nursing doctoral degree from George Mason University. She received the Distinguished Nursing Alumna Award in 1991 and the GMU Alumna of the Year Award in 1992. In her affiliation with the university, Dr. Barry has served as an adjunct assistant professor, a member of the CNHS Advisory Board, and president of the Epsilon Zeta Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau. The CNHS Faculty Achievement Fund resulted from a challenge initiated by Dr. Barry to help raise awareness and funds for professional development and research opportunities.

Dr. Barry and her husband, Tanel Beeren, are the owners of Beeren & Barry Investments LLC, a real estate development company in Fairfax, Virginia.

She is the former Deputy Director of the Center for Mental Health Services of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). She previously served as the Deputy Director of SAMHSA's Center for Substance Abuse Treatment and as senior drug policy advisor to DHHS Secretary Donna Shalala. Dr. Barry also served as Special Assistant for Health Policy to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, where she provided consultation and assistance in the management of the VA's 172 medical centers.

Dr. Barry served as an official member of the U.S. delegation to three sessions of the United Nations Commission on Narcotic Drugs in Vienna, Austria, and was a delegate at the International Federation of Non-Government Organizations in Malaysia.

Dr. Barry also has extensive nursing experience, including posts as a staff nurse and nurse manager in acute care hospitals. She has been a regular contributor to professional journals on the subjects of nursing management and public policy.

Criteria for the Barry Nursing PhD Scholarship:

The recipient demonstrates the ability to be recognized as a leader in nursing.

The recipient must be in good academic standing.

The recipient must clearly articulate career goals with a doctoral degree and area of research in a one-page letter to the Director of the Ph.D. Program, MSN 3C4, George Mason University, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030-4444 by October 26, 2007.

Scholarships for 2007-2008 Academic Year:

Two scholarships of \$2,500 each will be awarded. To be considered for these scholarships, please submit a letter addressing the criteria listed above.