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## Quick Facts

- Associate Professor of Counseling Jennifer Jordan has been appointed to the Board of Examiners for Licensure of Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists and Psycho-Educational Specialists.



ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA — **South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley** has appointed Winthrop University **Associate Professor of Counseling Jennifer Jordan** to the **Board of Examiners for Licensure of Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists and Psycho-Educational Specialists**.

As a board member, Jordan will attend meetings throughout the year dealing with ratification of new licenses in the industry, disciplinary issues in the field as well as changes in the laws.

Jordan was encouraged to apply for an empty chair on the board by a supervisor at a local nonprofit organization who had worked with Jordan and her Winthrop students. To apply, she wrote a letter to Gov. Haley requesting the open slot.

Several weeks later, she received a letter from both the governor and Secretary of State Mark Hammond.

At Winthrop, Jordan serves as program coordinator of the master's program in counseling and development, and oversees students as they work to become licensed professional counselors and as they see clients in the community for free. In addition, she is a licensed professional counselor supervisor and supervises the on-campus training clinic.

Jordan said there are a lot of changes in the state and nation regarding how people can earn their licenses. Being a board member will give her insight into these changes.

"I would like to be on the ground floor and watch the change, being part of the educational system and making sure the students get what they need," she said.

Jordan holds a Ph.D. in counselor education from Mississippi State University and is a national board certified counselor, licensed professional counselor and a professional member of the American Counseling Association. Her expertise lies in directing counselor training clinics, supervision and counseling children and adolescents.

"This is a great opportunity for me and the students, and a way to get Winthrop on the map," she added. "We have a strong, strong program, and I'm very excited about it."

For more information on Jordan, [visit the Winthrop website](#).

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