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Five students from the Class of 2010 were recognized as Furman Fellows during Opening Convocation September 3. Each received a \$7,500 fellowship.

Furman Fellows awards are presented each year to five seniors for their problem-solving skills, creativity, imagination, and potential for making a difference in the lives of others. The awards are provided by Furman trustee Bob Buckman and his wife, Joyce Mollerup.

This year's recipients (left to right):

Mollie Petersen, a physics major from Asheville, N.C., is a member of the women's basketball team. She has worked with Heller Service Corps and frequently speaks at local schools. She was a leader of a group that traveled to New Orleans during the 2009 May Experience to assist with the ongoing Hurricane Katrina cleanup.

Tyler Harrison of West Columbia, S.C., is a psychology major planning an academic career in cognitive psychology. As president of the Psychology Club, he is credited with pumping new life and energy into the group, and is known for

his thoughtfulness, caring attitude and willingness to help others.

Katie Fairman, a political science major from Warren, Mich., has volunteered with Habitat for Humanity, Heller Service Corps and the America Reads program. She is an educator with Furman's chapter of International Justice Mission, a human rights group that works for victims of violent oppression.

Dez Clodfelter, a political science major from Walkertown, N.C., is founder of Global Justice, a campus group that raises awareness of indigence and HIV/AIDS. She was a summer intern with AIDS Care Service in Winston-Salem, N.C., and has participated in peace delegations to Switzerland and Iran. She is editor of the *Echo*, the student literary magazine.

Ashley Brown is a biology major from Birmingham, Ala. She has been active in medical mission work from Latin America to Mongolia and is president of Furman's Medical Missions Organization. While studying in Scotland, she assisted in research to develop diagnostic tests for vision problems.

