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# 2018 DENNIS R. WASHINGTON LEADERSHIP SCHOLARS

Funded by the Phyllis and Dennis R. Washington Foundation, the Dennis R. Washington Leadership Scholarship Program has awarded more than \$5 million since 2008. Scholarships are awarded to Horatio Alger Alumni Scholars pursuing master's or doctoral degrees in the fields of business, education, engineering, medicine, and applied sciences. Recipients have demonstrated academic excellence, leadership abilities, and strength of character in the face of adversity. With the benefits afforded through advanced degree studies, they are poised to become leaders in their respective fields and change agents in our society.



**Elise Byle**  
Doctor of Medicine  
University of South Dakota Sanford  
School of Medicine



**Erica Harp**  
Master of Science - Aerospace  
Engineering  
University of Florida



**Natasha Hongsermeier**  
Doctor of Medicine and Master of  
Public Health  
University of Nebraska Medical Center



**Justin Lindsey**  
Doctor of Education  
University of West Georgia



**Jeronimo Maradiaga**  
Doctor of Medicine  
David Geffen School of Medicine  
University of California, Los Angeles\*



**Manuel Retana, Ph.D.**  
Doctor of Philosophy - Aeronautics  
and Astronautics Engineering  
Stanford University\*



**Zachary Zins**  
Doctor of Medicine  
The Ohio State University  
College of Medicine

## HONORING PERSEVERANCE, INTEGRITY, AND EXCELLENCE

Founded in 1947, the Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans, Inc., fulfills its mission of honoring the achievements of outstanding individuals who have succeeded in spite of adversity and of encouraging young people to pursue their dreams through higher education. Each year the Association also welcomes new lifelong Members to its ranks through the presentation of the Horatio Alger Award. In 2018, the Association looks forward to honoring and inducting the 2018 class of new Members:

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*Vice-Chairman, Non-Insurance  
Business Operations  
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Berkshire Hathaway Energy*

**RONALD M. BERGERON, SR.**  
*Founder & CEO  
Bergeron Land Development, Inc.  
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*CEO  
A.R. Jackson Advisors LLC  
13th U.S. Secretary of Housing  
and Urban Development*

**DAVID JOHNSTON (CANADA)**  
*Chair  
Rideau Hall Foundation  
28th Governor General of  
Canada*

**LARRY LAWSON**  
*Founder & CEO  
HeartCoR Solutions, LLC*

**JAMES J. LIAUTAUD**  
*Owner, Founder, & Chairman  
Jimmy John's Gourmet  
Sandwiches*

**ROB LOWE**  
*Film & Television Actor,  
Producer, Writer, Director, &  
New York Times Best-Selling  
Author*

**REBA MCENTIRE**  
*Multimedia Entertainer &  
Entrepreneur*

**JAMES H. PUGH, JR.**  
*Chief Executive Officer, Owner,  
& Chairman  
Epoch Residential*

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*Founder, Executive Chairman of  
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Officer, & President  
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Companies*

**H. LEE SCOTT, JR.**  
*Former President, CEO, &  
Chairman of the Executive  
Committee  
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Horatio Alger Members serve as role models and fund undergraduate and graduate need-based scholarships and services for young people across the United States and Canada. Since the inception of its scholarship programs in 1984, the Association has awarded more than \$125 million to more than 25,000 students.

\* An asterisk means that school selection has not been confirmed at this time.

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