Alumni Update

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MONDELĒZ INTERNATIONAL
University of Kentucky  DePuy Synthes Spine
CLOUD LOGISTICS  ENTERPRISE INTEGRATION  Aon
Monument Economics Group  Murphy Deming College of Health Sciences
Brown Jordan International  iRAMX

BWX Technologies, Inc.
MARKS HEALTHCARE CONSULTING
EY  Cardlytics
FRANKLIN AMERICAN MORTGAGE COMPANY

Thomas Publishing Company
UNITED STATES SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND’S
SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES ACQUISITION, TECHNOLOGY, AND LOGISTICS CENTER

CAMERON
Brain & Spine Institute at the University of Tennessee Medical Center

University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center Hospitals
Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton

Detroit Health Department
American Heart Association
The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

MISSION MEDICAL ASSOCIATES
International Journal of Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine

XPO LOGISTICS, INC.
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University of Tennessee Health Science Center

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US AIR FORCE EUROPEAN COMMAND

US ARMY CONTRACTING COMMAND AT ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND

BETTYE B. LEWIS CAREER CENTER

ALETHEIA GROUP
BRIGHAM CITY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

McCormick  Marshall University

Women’s Specialty Care at the University of Tennessee Medical Center

INTEGRATED BUSINESS AND ENGINEERING PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE

REV GROUP, INC.
Children’s Hospital of Michigan at the Detroit Medical Center

GE Healthcare

JOHNSON & JOHNSON
Randall Beard (HCB, ‘81) is now group president for advertiser business at Cardlytics.

David W. Blackwell (HCB, ‘81, PhD ‘86) is now the provost and chief academic officer at the University of Kentucky.

Food Logistics Magazine selected Cloud Logistics, of which Mark Nix (HCB, ‘84) is CEO, as a top software and technology provider.

Russell Lamb (HCB, ’87), president of Monument Economics Group, established the Experimental Economics Laboratory Endowment for graduate student research.

Enterprise Integration, of which Michael Locher (HCB, ’88) is founder and CEO, was recognized as a top-performing IT solution provider by CRN Magazine.

Brown Jordan International has named John Wojcik (HCB, ‘92) chief marketing officer.

Randy Trusley (EMBA-SL, ’96) was promoted to vice president of finance and controller of the nuclear services group of BWX Technologies, Inc.

Michael Marks (PEMBA, ’01) has started his own business, Marks Healthcare Consulting.

EY in Tampa, Florida, named Christy Rolland (HCB, ’01, MAcc, ’02) an indirect tax partner.

The Institute for Supply Management and the Thomas Publishing Company have named Mitchell Agee (HCB, ’09) as one of 30 rising supply chain stars.

Karen Murrell (PEMBA, ‘09) co-authored the Big Book of Emergency Department Psychiatry: A Guide to Patient Centered Operational Management, which reached the top of the service operations category on Amazon.com.

Mark Clark (EMBA-SL, ’10) is now a controller with Cameron, a Schlumberger Company.

Nate Naugle (ProMBA, ’10) is now executive director of the Brain & Spine Institute at the University of Tennessee Medical Center.
When Ksenia Kuznetsova (HCB, ’12) arrived in the United States as a teenager, she faced a formidable cultural adjustment. “I’m from Nizhniy Novgorod, Russia, a city of about two million people,” she says. “Not only was it a move from one country and language to another, it was going from a big city to small-town Tennessee.”

Tapping into her natural determination, Kuznetsova learned to speak conversational English in about two months and gained fluency in a year. Knowing she was academically strong in other subjects gave her the confidence to push through learning the language. The experience, she says, taught her about perseverance.

Kuznetsova grew up surrounded by strong female role models, including her mother, who had owned a business in Russia. “Everyone in my family is very driven, so I always knew I could do anything I could set my mind to,” she says. When she graduated from high school, Kuznetsova wanted to study business. With interests in math and science, accounting felt like a natural choice.

The Haslam College of Business drew Kuznetsova by connecting her with alumni and faculty who showed a genuine interest in her success. “I felt valued and respected from the very beginning,” she says. “The university also recognized my academic achievements through scholarships and grants, allowing me to graduate debt-free, and I am so thankful for that.”

After earning a bachelor’s degree in accounting, Kuznetsova took an internship with PwC. The firm then offered her a full-time
position, and she relocated to their Nashville office to work as an associate in the risk assurance practice, doing external public company audits. Five years later, an opportunity came through for her to do a tour of duty in PwC’s US Internal Audit and SOX Center of Excellence (COE) focused on regulatory compliance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (SOX), legislation designed to protect investors from fraudulent accounting by corporations.

The role is unique because it’s comprised of internal audit and SOX compliance professionals from across the country and the world using technology to keep in touch. Members of the team write thought leadership pieces on relevant industry topics and drive PwC’s methodology development by creating internal webcasts, courses, and other materials. Kuznetsova appreciates the variety, flexibility, and creative outlets her job provides. “In one day, I might speak with colleagues in India, Chicago, and Seattle,” she says. “It’s great to work in the field I’m so passionate about and get to leverage my creativity as well.”

Kuznetsova’s drive to succeed taught her to approach life with a to-do list in hand, at least until she attended her first yoga class in 2013. She says, seemed to stop moving as she was holding a particular yoga pose. “For the first time, I felt able to be fully present with what I was doing,” she recalls. Since then, she’s spent daily time in yoga and meditation, training her mind to be fully present. “It allows me to honor my body and spirit, focus my attention, and bring myself to center and focus,” she says. “That’s how I approach the world around me: ready to discover what each day has in store.”

John Warner (PEMBA, ’10), vice president and chief executive officer of University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center Hospitals, recently began to serve his term as president of the American Heart Association.

Suzanne White (PEMBA, ’10) is now serving as the Detroit Health Department's medical director.

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has named Paula Wojtkowski (EMBA-SL, ’10) secretary of commerce.

Matthew Young (PEMBA, ’11) is now chief of urology and urology service leader for Mission Medical Associates in Asheville, North Carolina.

Michael Gavlick (MBA, ’12) was named senior vice president of Aon in the Greater New York area.

Hisham Khaki (EMBA-GSC, ’13) co-founded HapiGig, which connects warehouse employees and employers.

Buddy Lee (EMBA-SL, ’13) is now director of reliability with iRAMX.

Ryan Miller (EMBA-SL, ’13) was promoted to vice president and controller for commercial systems with Rockwell Collins.
Timothy Drone (MBA, '14) is now the global sales and operations planning lead at Shire in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Sami Al Hajjar (PEMBA, '14) has founded the International Journal of Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine.

Marcie Mascaro (EMBA-GSC, '14) is now an executive officer for interagency partnering at the US Air Force’s European Command.

Bryan McGann (ADMBA, '14) was promoted to a GS-15 division chief at the US Army’s Contracting Command at Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland. He’ll be in charge of contracting actions for the Program Executive Office for Intelligence, Electronic Warfare & Sensors.

Community Hospital in Brigham City, Utah.

Brad Morgan (EMBA-SL, '14) was promoted to director of the Bettye B. Lewis Career Center at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville’s College of Law.

Monique Butler (PEMBA, '16) was named by Becker’s Hospital Review as one of “50 great African Americans leaders in healthcare to know.” She is chief operating officer of Children’s Hospital of Michigan at the Detroit Medical Center.

StayWell has promoted Cambrey Little (EMBA-HL, '15) to vice president of sales.

John Pracyk (PEMBA, '15) is now a global franchise medical director for DePuy Synthes Spine.

Keel Coleman (PEMBA, '16) co-founded the Aletheia Group in Roanoke, Virginia, to improve the confirmation of professional identities in the healthcare field.

Tom Vatter (EMBA-SL, '15) is now vice president of sales Sales and Marketing at Elliott Equipment Company

Mary Brow (ProMBA, '16) is now the director of the Integrated Business and Engineering Program at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

FairfieldNodal has promoted Richard Griffin (EMBA-GSC, '16) to director of commercial operations.

Rockwell Collins has promoted Maya Murphy (EMBA-SL, '16) to director of air transport manufacturing.

Ricardo “Art” Roa (PEMBA, '16) has been appointed director of clinical integration and assistant professor of surgery at Marshall University. He will work with the vice dean of medical education and teach gross anatomy with an emphasis on head and neck, paranasal science, and temporal bone anatomy.

Brian Conry (ProMBA, '17) developed a more cost-effective and environmentally-friendly way for his organization to ship bauxite from Atlantic-based mines to Pacific-based customers. The project
was developed from the Organizational Action Project he completed while at Haslam.

McCormick has promoted Curt Craig (EMBA-GSC, ’17) to vice president of manufacturing for the Americas.

Samuel Dagogo-Jack (PEMBA, ’17), professor of medicine and chief of the division of endocrinology, diabetes, and metabolism at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center, received a 2018 University of Tennessee President’s Award.

Fabio Garcia (EMBA-GSC, ’17) was promoted to customer collaboration director for Latin America at Johnson & Johnson.

David Hawkins (EMBA-SL, ’17) is now a patent engineer with Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton.

Mondelēz International has promoted Juan Munoz (EMBA-GSC, ’17) to director of procurement for Latin America.

Andrea Zaczyk (EMBA-SL, ’17) was promoted to product marketing senior manager at GE Healthcare.

HASLAM FACULTY AND STAFF DONATE TO UT DURING BIG ORANGE FAMILY CAMPAIGN

The Haslam College of Business emerged as a campus leader again during the fifth annual Big Orange Family Campaign at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. Ninety-nine percent of Haslam faculty and staff donated back to the university during the fundraiser, exceeding the campus-wide participation rate of 59 percent. For purposes of the campaign, the college was divided into 11 teams, nine of which reached 100 percent participation. The remaining two teams reached 94 percent participation.

“I’m excited that our college has demonstrated this level of commitment to the university’s mission,” said Seth Reagan, executive director of development at Haslam. “It’s incredible what we can accomplish when we all pull together, and so I want to personally thank and congratulate everyone for this excellent level of participation.”

This is the second year in a row that the college has reached 99 percent participation. A four-week effort to encourage internal giving, the Big Orange Family Campaign has grown in its participation each year. It elicited 91 percent participation from Haslam employees during its first year, 95 percent in 2015 and 97 percent in 2016.

Proceeds from the campaign support the beneficiary of the donor’s choosing across the various departments, programs and scholarships at UT.

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