



CLASS OF 2018

2018 TILLMAN SCHOLARS AT A GLANCE

We're proud to announce the 2018 Tillman Scholars: 60 individuals who represent the best and brightest from a group of thousands of talented applicants. Through their military service, their academic passions, and their desire to make an impact, they will form a tight-knit community of scholars that will truly make its mark on the world.

60  scholars chosen

\$1.3+  million
lifetime commitment to the 2018 class

48  universities and colleges



AREAS OF IMPACT

Founded in 2008, the Tillman Scholar Program supports active-duty service members, veterans and their spouses with academic scholarships, a national network and professional development opportunities, so they are empowered to make an impact. Some examples in our 2018 Class include:

ADOPTION LAW

AQUAPONICS

AVIATION SAFETY

BEHAVIORAL ANALYSIS

BLOCKCHAIN TECHNOLOGY

COLLABORATIVE ROBOTICS

COUNTERTERRORISM

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

CULINARY MEDICINE

CURRICULUM ASSESSMENT

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

ENERGY SECURITY

INDUSTRIAL ECONOMICS

MATERIALS CHEMISTRY

METEOROLOGY

MIDWIFERY

NONPROLIFERATION

NUTRIENT DYNAMICS

OPIOID ADDICTION

PHYSICAL THERAPY

POST CONFLICT DEVELOPMENT

REFUGEE RIGHTS

RURAL HEALTHCARE


SOCIAL ENTERPRISE

SPACE POLICY


SPEECH COGNITION

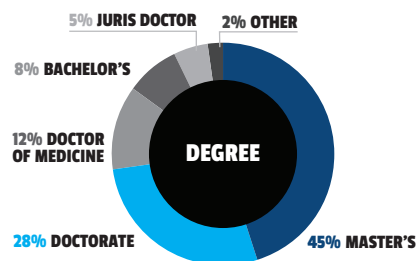
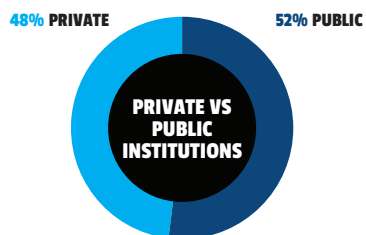
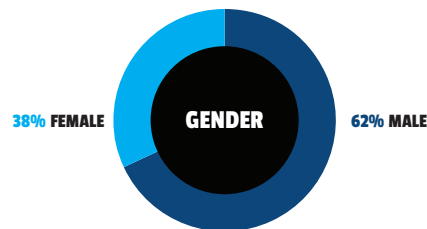
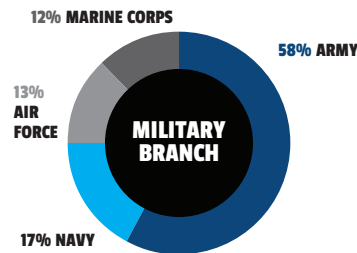
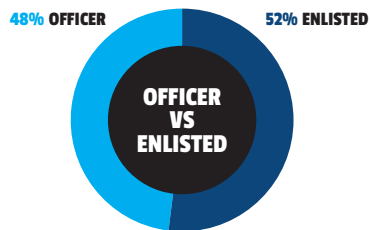
SUICIDE PREVENTION

WASTEWATER TREATMENT

10+  years
served in the military, on average

601  years
cumulative years served in military

30%  first-generation college students



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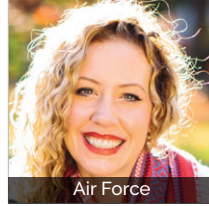
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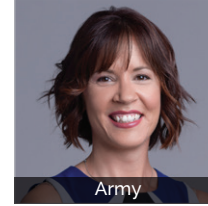
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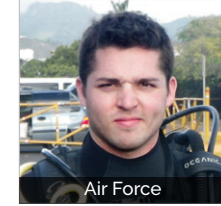
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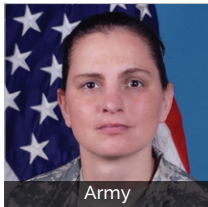
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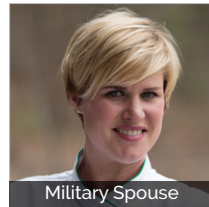
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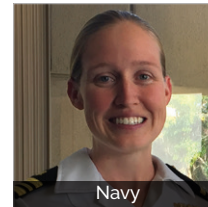
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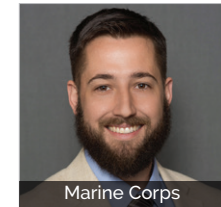
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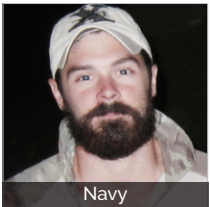
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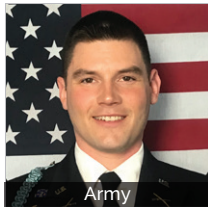
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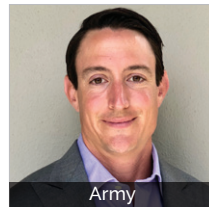
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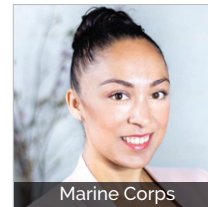
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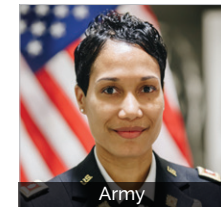
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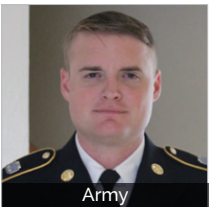
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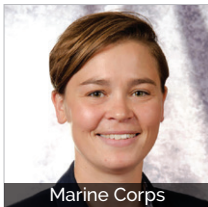
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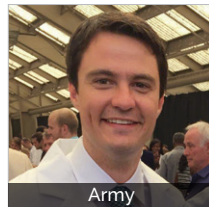
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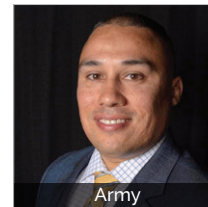
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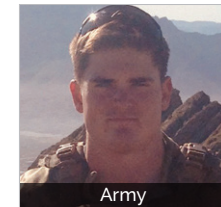
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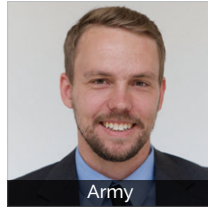
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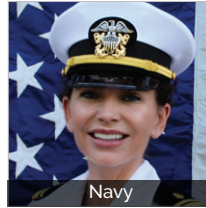
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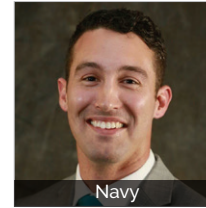
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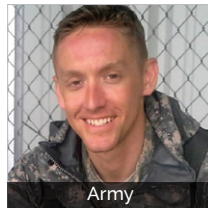
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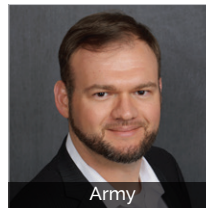
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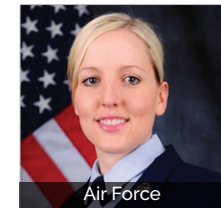
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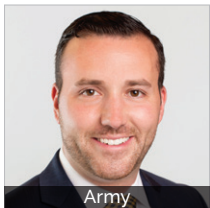
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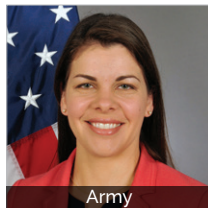
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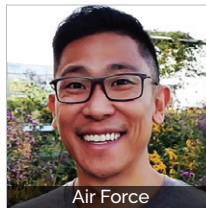
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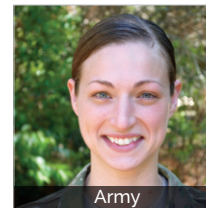
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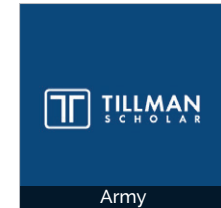
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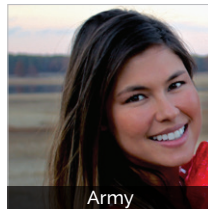
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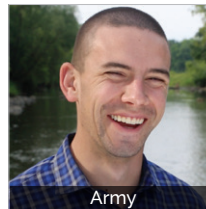
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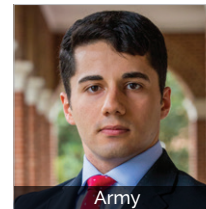
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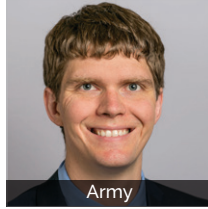
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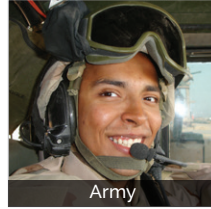
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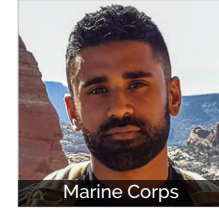
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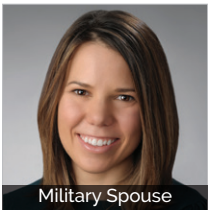
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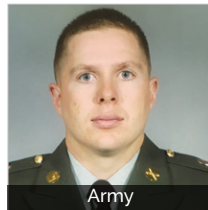
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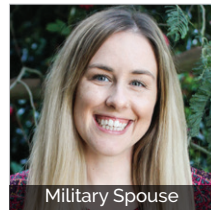
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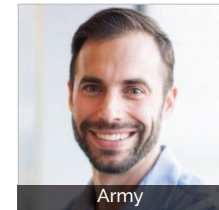
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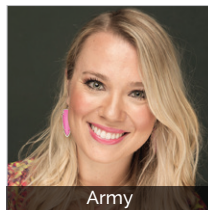
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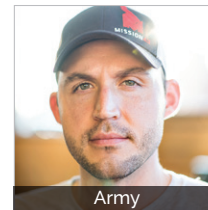
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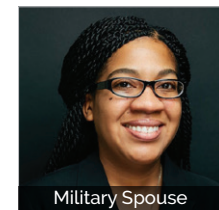
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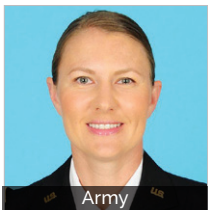
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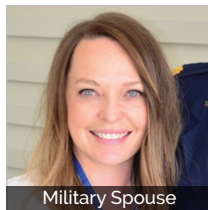
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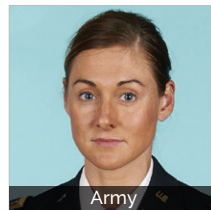
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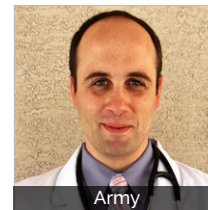
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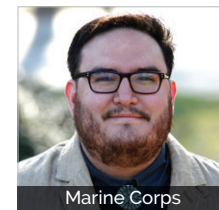
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