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45 Amazing Alumni To Celebrate 45 Years Of Exceptional

Epstein Education - #45at45

This year, The Epstein School is turning 45 years old. To celebrate this, we are highlighting 45 amazing alumni in honor of 45 years of Exceptional Education at Epstein. Our school has hundreds of wonderful and talented alumni and we love to share their successes!

45 at 45 - The Countdown Continues!

Throughout this year, we are recognizing 5 alumni via email, until we reach a total of 45 alumni. **View previously highlighted alumni:** $\frac{#1-5}{40}$ $\frac{#6-10}{40}$ $\frac{#11-15}{40}$ $\frac{#16-20}{40}$ $\frac{#21-25}{40}$ $\frac{#26-10}{40}$

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Max Holland (Class of 2001) - Max is a Financial Crime Specialist at Credit Suisse. After receiving a Fulbright Scholar Grant to work at a university in Brazil, Max started a drone imagery company and became a registered foreign legal consultant in the state of Minas Gerais, Brazil. After two years in Brazil, Max returned to the US and worked as an attorney on a class action lawsuit against Petrobras (the state-owned oil company in Brazil that was accused of committing billions of dollars in money laundering, bribery, and securities fraud). At the end of the case, Max had developed a passion for international financial crime fighting and decided to go in house at a bank where he could create controls and motivate change from the inside. Currently, Max is the Deputy Head of Strategy and Planning for the Americas in the Financial Crime Compliance department.



In 2009, Max graduated from George Washington University with a BA in International Affairs where he concentrated on Conflict and Securities Resolution. Then, he attended Georgia State University College of Law where he was the President of the International and Comparative Law Society and in 2013, received his Juris Doctorate in International Law. More importantly, though, Max recently got engaged and is getting married in October 2019.

#43 David Saidman (Class of 2002) - David is an Aerospace

Systems Engineer with Raytheon Integrated Defense Systems in the Boston area, developing technology for US missile defense against medium to intercontinental range missiles. At Raytheon, he designs technology and algorithms that guide missile interceptors to collide directly into missile threats deep in space; he primarily develops midcourse defense systems, which operate at altitudes ranging from the upper atmosphere to deep space to destroy any danger before it re-enters the atmosphere. David leads paradigm shifting research in "system-of-systems engineering" – the discipline of combining multiple, independently operating systems to create a new, more complex system which offers more functionality and performance than the sum of its components.



David completed his Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering in 2010 at Rice University, where he was one of four In-Charge EMTs that supervised and operated Rice Emergency Medical Services. After graduation, David spent five months working at Bar Ilan University Department of Robotics programming foot-tall robots to play soccer for RoboCup, a worldwide bi-pedal robot soccer tournament. He then went on to complete his Master's in Aerospace Engineering in 2013 at Georgia Institute of Technology. When not working, David is busy travelling, watching Top Gear, Dr. Who, and Game of Thrones, as well as trying to learn salsa from his girlfriend - an international salsa competitor and Doctor of Art History.

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Harris Eppsteiner (Class of 2003) - Harris is a PhD candidate in the Political Economy and Government Program and a National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellow at Harvard University.

Prior to graduate school, Harris served in the Obama administration as Special Assistant to the Chairman and Research Economist at the White House Council of Economic Advisers, where his work focused on U.S. labor markets and immigration policy. He also worked as an analyst at MIT's Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL), a research organization dedicated to reducing global poverty by ensuring that policy is informed by scientific evidence. Harris holds a bachelor's degree in Ethics, Politics, and



Economics from Yale University, and currently divides his time between Cambridge, MA and New Haven, CT, where he lives with his wife Sloane.

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Jenna Oppenheimer (Class of 2004)-Jenna is currently spending her summer working with the Northwest Outward Bound School in beautiful Mazama, Washington as a Logistics Coordinator. Her path thus far, may seem unconventional to most, but has allowed her to see and accomplish some amazing things. She attended University of Georgia to complete her undergraduate work and then received her Master's of Physician Assistant from Augusta University.

Jenna spent the following two years working as a Physician's Assistant on a Transplant floor in New Orleans, LA. She has always been a lover of the outdoors and after attending a Wilderness Medicine Conference in 2017, she realized just how important that passion of hers is. She decided to truly get back to nature and spent 5 months in 2018 hiking 2,652 miles from Mexico to Canada on the Pacific Crest Trail. Excited to be in Washington for the summer, she plans to continue her career in medicine this fall in Denver, Colorado. The Epstein School gave her the foundation and



confidence to believe that is okay to take risks and as long as you work hard the reward can be great.

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Jack Schneider (Class of 2011) – Jack is a producer, musician, songwriter, guitarist and singer who has been making music since he was just 3 years old. Jack began showing his zest and talents at The Epstein School in third grade, performing at each annual variety show and at many school-wide events thereafter, including *Shiriyah* and musicals such as *Beauty and the Beast, Aladdin* and *Willy Wonka*.



Jack will graduate from the <u>NYU Clive Davis Institute of Recorded Music at the Tisch School</u> of the Arts in May 2019, where he played on numerous recording projects. Jack's advanced musicianship and songwriting abilities have led him to collaborate with some of his biggest heroes. In addition to working as a session guitarist in Atlanta, New York, and Nashville, Jack has played with iconic artists such as Five For Fighting, Vince Gill, Jason Isbell, Emmylou Harris, Amy Grant, Don Schlitz, The Time Jumpers and onstage at the Grand Ole Opry with bluegrass legend Mike Snider. Jack is currently in the process of recording and selfproducing his debut full length record. The first single, "Remember To Dance," which features Vince Gill as a duet and harmony vocalist, is included in a documentary about the legendary Bluebird Cafe, which premiered at SXSW 2019. The song will be released officially this summer. If you would like to see Jack perform live, <u>he will be back in Atlanta to do a show at</u> <u>Eddie's Attic on June 18 at 7:00 pm</u>.



Developing Future Leaders

Today's Epstein students, like <u>these 2019 Duke TIP qualifiers</u>, are fortunate to continue to receive the value of a high-quality Epstein education. We prepare our students for success in high school, college and beyond. This is <u>evidenced by the caliber of the colleges our</u> <u>alumni attend</u> and the fact that our recent graduating classes have had a 100% acceptance rate to Atlanta's premier private high schools, public school magnets and honors programs. Many enter high school with advanced standing in mathematics and foreign language, as well as eligibility for honors classes. Epstein graduates are academically lauded by high school administrators and faculty as academic stars, peer leaders and successful student athletes.



Do You Have An Exciting Story/Accomplishment To Share?

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