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### ***Announcing the NAHR Graduate Student Scholarship Winner for 2017 – Lieutenant James Walsh from Florida International University.***

Lieutenant James Walsh is a U.S. Navy search and rescue pilot residing in Key West, Florida with his family. James is also a full-time student pursuing a master's degree in human resource management at Florida International University, where he has maintained a 4.0 GPA.

James has a passion for mentoring and developing talent. His ability to lead with insight and empathy and to appropriately counsel and mentor those under his charge are the traits he will offer his future employer.

The National Academy of Human Resources (NAHR) was founded in 1992, and recognizes individuals of distinction in human resources for exceptional professional achievement as "Fellows of the NAHR" and occasionally recognizes human resources related groups as "Honored Institutions/ Organizations". An NAHR Foundation was established to conduct outreach programs to the profession through various projects and studies.

NAHR recognized the Society for Human Resources Management (SHRM) Foundation as an honored organization in 2014. NAHR has partnered with the SHRM Foundation to establish the NAHR Graduate Student Scholarship for five years in the amount of \$ 5,000 each year. NAHR will fund the Scholarship and the SHRM Foundation will select the Scholarship recipients. Graduate student scholarship beneficiaries must be enrolled in a master's degree program clearly pursuing an emphasis on HR or HR related programs. Judging criteria for the scholarship is based on a combined percentage of SHRM student chapter involvement and/or commitment to the HR profession (35%), academic achievement (30%), additional leadership and service activities or work experience (25%), and financial need (10%).

James plans to retire from the Navy in three years and looks forward to starting a new career in human resources in the civilian world. We congratulate James on his many accomplishments and look for to his future contributions to the HR profession. We also thank James for his service to our country.