Graduates of the 2015 Pacific Southwest program were among the 293 business and IT professionals from all ten RLF programs recognized during SIMposium 2015.

Record Number of RLF Graduates Honored During SIMposium 2015

More than 4,000 leaders have now graduated from RLF over the past two decades

A record number of 293 business and IT leaders graduating from SIM’s ten nationwide RLF programs this year were saluted and celebrated during the kickoff of SIMposium 2015 on November 1. The 2015 group of graduates represents nearly every state in the country as well as the United Kingdom and Canada, and now places the total number of grads in SIM’s two-decade leadership development program over the 4,000 mark.

During the ceremony, graduates from each of the 2015 programs communicated RLF’s strong, lasting impact upon their professional and personal journey as they shared videos and personal testimonials with the audience which included their sponsors, SIM chapter members and previous RLF grads.

“It’s about constantly learning and growing as an individual in all aspects of one’s life,” said David DeVisser, a graduate of the Pacific Northwest RLF. “Life-changing” was another phrase used by many of the graduates to describe their experience.

The 2015 RLF graduates and sponsors from each of the ten nationwide programs include:
### Gateway RLF (St. Louis)

**Graduates**
- Michele Alt
- Donald Benne
- Brent Ellis
- Leslie Ferguson
- Paul Fitzgerald
- Kiran Gayakwad
- Dave Huesemann
- Tom Lynch
- Rick Roberts
- Christopher Roby
- Alan Smith
- Wesley Thomas
- Rebeca Thornhill
- Roman Turnbow
- Troy Tutor
- Chris VanDaele
- Frederick Webb

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- Scott Bowman
- Richard Boyce
- Ed Carroll
- Janet Davis
- Thomas DeGrave
- Brownlee Field
- Mark Hepner
- Sailaja Kandala
- Kevin Kilgore
- Alim Macauley
- Chris Miller
- James Parks
- Thomas Perricone
- Amit Revankar
- Dan Rosen
- Derek Sager
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- Dollar Financial Group Inc.
- Federal Emergency Management Agency
- FINRA
- FRTIB
- Howard Hughes Medical Institute
- Integra LifeSciences Corporation
- International Monetary Fund
- Johnson & Johnson
- Mylan
- NASA / Goddard Space Flight Center
- Thompson Hine LLP

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**Graduates**
- Nichole Albee
- Charles Anagnostopoulos
- Mirza Baig
- Lisa Brammer
- Dawn Brazie
- Dan Carter
- Ravi Chilakapati
- Jim Cincotta
- Rick Copple
- Jeff Cutler
Paul Degneau
Andrew J. Erdos
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Steve Jonuzi
Deepak Kaul
Ramesh Krishnan
Chris Kutsko
David LaRue
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Kraft Foods Group, Inc
Molina Healthcare, Inc.
Northwestern Mutual
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Standard Process Inc.
True Value Company
Zebra Technologies

New York Metro RLF

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Sofia Bayne
Prasad Bolineni
Susan Brassell-Knox
Thomas F. Brewer
Robert J. Brown
Lynn Caldwell
Colleen Coleman
Ozlem Coskun
Alex Delgado
Jigar Desai
David Edelen
David R. Ewen Jr.
Nassir Fazal
Stephen J. Flatt
Luis Garzon
Holly Gilio
Deborah Goldberg
Daniel Gorecki
Robert Gorski
Scot Hale
Fran Holly
Sarah Joseph
Taoridi Kassim
Donald LaBombard
Kevin Laugherty
Wayne Litchman
Michael Lowrey
Izabella Marek
Steve Mastin
Michael McInerney
Anthony Mongiello
Traci Montesi
Ramesh Narayan
Archanas Nuni
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**Graduates**

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Venu Challagolla
Jay Cloutier
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Mark Eykholt
Denise Flynn
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David Lewis
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Kenneth Bolick
Iwona Borowicz
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