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# Cal Poly Grads in Demand Despite Tough Job Market

SAN LUIS OBISPO – In the midst of one of the toughest job markets since the Great Depression, grads from Cal Poly's Class of 2010 are having success landing professional career positions.

"I'm not surprised that our students are enjoying success in their job hunting," said Robert Koob, Cal Poly provost. "Our students are known for being academically motivated and while they know theory, they also have experience with practical application.

"When you combine that with our learn-by-doing philosophy, you get resourceful professionals who are prepared to contribute from their first day on the job. Employers know that and appreciate that about Cal Poly graduates," Koob said.

The students themselves attribute much of their success to Cal Poly's learn-by-doing philosophy, which emphasizes hands-on education. They also give credit to Cal Poly's focus on STEM disciplines (science, technology, engineering and math), which are in high demand in the job market. As well, students cite the close interaction with faculty and the university's emphasis on collaborative, interdisciplinary projects that develop real-life, real-world skills.

Below are just a few of the graduates of the Class of 2010. Read about the attributes, the education, the opportunities and the resources that have helped them succeed in a crowded marketplace. Click on the picture to read more:



Meghan Keane



Brian Parker



Allison Holmgren

Orfalea College of Business  
B.S., Business Administration

College of Architecture and Environmental Design  
B.S., Construction Management

College of Engineering  
B.S., Industrial engineering  
M.S., Engineering with a specialization in  
Biomedical Engineering



Darlene Robetcky  
College of Liberal Arts  
B.S., Political Science



Saba Abuhay  
College of Science and Mathematics  
B.S., Statistics



Robert Ulm  
College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences  
B.S., Fruit Science

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