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Cal Poly Construction Management Students Win First in Regional Competition

SAN LUIS OBISPO - A team of Cal Poly construction management students won first place in a regional competition sponsored by the Associated Schools of Construction (ASC).

The students were invited to compete in the Pre-Construction division by Region 3 (the Great Lakes Region) of the ASC held in Downer's Gove, a suburb of Chicago, Ill. The Great Lakes Region includes institutions that offer four-year construction management, science and technology degrees in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin.

Cal Poly's team members beat the Milwaukee School of Engineering, which took first at Region 6 & 7 in competitions last year. Other teams competing included Eastern Kentucky University; Ferris State University; Purdue University; Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville; Indiana State University; Michigan State University; Ohio Northern University; and University of Cincinnati.

The Cal Poly team, all seniors, were led by Josh King of Oakland and Matt Ohlund of Burlingame, and coached by Professor Paul Weber. They had less than two months to assemble a team and practice. Additional team members included Tyler Caglia from Fresno; Logan Williams, Groveland; Shelby Borg, Auburn; and Jeff Caruso, San Luis Obispo.

The ASC consists of seven regions across the U.S. Each year regions host its own competitions in divisions such as Mechanical, Electrical, Pre-Construction, LEED and Heavy-Civil. This is the second time Cal Poly's construction management students have been invited to compete, placing first both times.

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