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## Paralympian Mark Barr Returns from Beijing to Start Senior Year

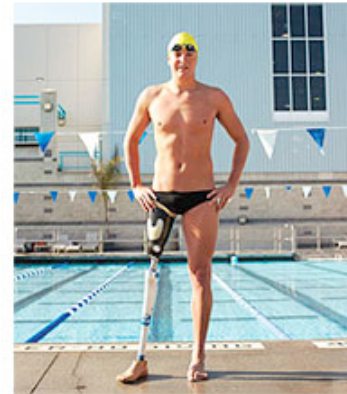
SAN LUIS OBISPO -- After competing in the Paralympic Games, Mark Barr is back at Cal Poly to start his senior year as a member of the Mustangs' swim team. Barr lost his leg to a tumor when he was 14 years old.

He competed in six events in Beijing in August, despite having his appendix removed in June. His best finish was eighth place in the 100 meter butterfly.

"The Paralympics history is growing, but it's just as much as competing in the Olympics. It's a huge honor to compete at the Paralympics and do that," Barr told KSBY news in an interview just after the fall quarter started at Cal Poly.

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