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Cal Poly Barbershop Quartet Heads to International Competition

SAN LUIS OBISPO – The Cal Poly men's barbershop quartet, Men-So Forte, will be representing the Far Western District and the university at the International Collegiate Quartet Competition in Salt Lake City on July 8. The competition is sponsored by the Barbershop Harmony Society.

The group was named Far Western District Champions at a competition held in May in Long Beach, scoring the highest of all the quartet competitors. They are now ranked fourth internationally and are hoping to bring home gold medals, said quartet member Paul Tabone.

Members are Matt Gray, tenor; Ryan Mosse, lead; Tabone, bass; and Colin Yamaoka, baritone. Gray is a political science graduate, Mosse is an architectural engineering graduate who minored in music and also plays bassoon and saxophone, Tabone is a senior city and regional planning major, and Yamaoka is a physics graduate.

Men-so Forte is sponsored by the university's Music Department, College of Liberal Arts and Instructionally Related Activities program. For more information, including photos of Men-So Forte, visit the Web page at <http://www.harmonize.com/mensoforte/>.

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