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## Cal Poly Construction Management Places First at National Competition

SAN LUIS OBISPO – A team from Cal Poly's Construction Management Department placed first in the Heavy Civil division at the Associated General Contractors (AGC) National Student Competition.

The competition was held in San Diego March 4-6 and included 42 students representing seven universities that won regional competitions across the country.

Each of the seven teams was presented with a challenge at 6 a.m. on the first day of competition. They were required to work through key project elements and complete a written proposal by 10 p.m. the same day. The teams were also required to prepare materials for an oral presentation no later than 11 a.m. the following day.

Award criteria included scheduling, site logistics, cost estimating, bid analysis, and a series of contract questions.

Team members included team captain Mike Van Groningen, Kevin Heinichen, Ryan Johnson, Michael Lydon, Bryan Peters, and Daniel Rodriguez. They were coached by Construction Management Professor Erik Simon.

About the Associated General Contractors of America:

AGC is the largest and oldest national construction trade association in the United States. It represents 33,000 firms, including 7,500 of America's leading general contractors and 12,500 specialty-contracting firms.

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