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## Cal Poly Business Students Win Regional Ernst & Young Case Competition

SAN LUIS OBISPO — A team of Cal Poly students from the Orfalea College of Business took first place at the recent EY (Ernst and Young) Beam Abroad Case Competition held in Los Angeles.

The EY Beam Abroad Case Competition is intended for students with an interest in information technology and accounting. The first round of competition is held on various campuses nationwide. Students must demonstrate an understanding of domestic and international accounting issues and global markets. The teams are given a week to prepare their presentations, which they give to a panel of EY judges.

EY flew the winning Cal Poly team members — Kenton Assadi, Nathan Miner, Cameron Schwartz and Alec Toppenberg — to its office in Los Angeles, where they took part in the regional competition against students from Brigham Young University, San Jose State University, Santa Clara University, UC Berkeley, UCLA, USC, and the University of Washington.

The Cal Poly students were offered summer internships with the company and the opportunity to accompany a few EY partners on a retreat later this spring quarter.

The students move to the final round to compete for the overall West region grand prize on April 4 in San Francisco. The winning team receives a cash prize and a trip abroad. In addition, members of the top-performing team from each university will be given preferential consideration for premier opportunities with EY, including its Global Student Exchange Program, Emerging Leaders Summit and Program, and the National Accounting Researcher Residency program.

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