

My name is Tanner Verhoeks; I was born and raised in San Diego so becoming an Aztec was an easy choice. After graduating from high school in 2011 with 21 college units completed, I went on to obtain my associates in Civil Engineering from Cuyamaca Community College and Mathematics from Grossmont Community College. I started at the College of Engineering in the summer of 2013 and, through determination and hard work, earned my Bachelors of Science in Civil Engineering in December 2014.

During this time, I was fortunate enough to have the opportunities to initiate for Chi Epsilon while acting as the project manager for our initiate project (where we built a 4 foot, illuminated, aluminum builders transit that is sitting in the department office today), participate in the ASCE student chapter, compete in PSWC 2014, volunteer down in the structures lab for Professor Dowell, help to pioneer a new water resources class with Professor Zink, and even do some geotechnical research for Professor Valdes. During my senior year I was awarded an internship scholarship from APWA and spent 6 month interning at Atkins. I culminated my experience at SDSU with holding the position of project manager for my capstone team and leading them to earn A's which solidified my 4.0 campus GPA and sitting for and obtaining my EIT license. I then transitioned from an internship at Atkins to a position with Walsh Engineering & Surveying Inc. as an Engineering Designer working on local land development projects.

Since March 2015, I have been working at Hatch Mott Macdonald as an Engineer II on cost estimate, tunneling, and aviation projects. Some of the clients I have had the privilege to work for already include NAVFAC, San Diego International Airport, and the San Francisco International Airport. I have been beyond blessed with my journey thus far and I am excited to see how it evolves with the changing times.

My plans are to continue to further my career as a Civil Engineer by beginning my Masters next year in Engineering Management and then to continue on to sit for my PE. My motivation in life is to have a part in building our Country's infrastructure while providing for my beautiful wife (pictured) and soon-to-be child. I hope to give back to the Engineering Community by participating in the Chi Epsilon Alumni Association, ASCE's Younger Member Forum, as well as the American Public Works Association. I am very honored to be recognized as the Outstanding Graduate for the CCEE Department and would like to personally thank said department and respective professors for the knowledge and experience that was passed on to me.