



Pro-Tips

Learn to talk to people, present yourself well, speak up, and find yourself a good mentor.

Ask good questions now and throughout your career.

Upcoming CMSA Events-.

CMSA Golf Classic on Friday, September 16th.

CMSA Alumni of The Month

Yusef Haddad '10

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Project Controls Manager

Yusef Haddad '10 grew up in Mankato, Minnesota and graduated from Immanuel Lutheran High School in a class of 7 students. Yusef attended the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire where he took general education courses while seeking majors of interest. After two years of general education courses, he was encouraged to meet with Professor Scott Fee to hear about the CM Program at Minnesota State University Mankato.

After the meeting he tried out the Construction Management program with a summertime drafting class, and he stuck with the program. He could not pick just one class that he particularly enjoyed, but he does remember the professors that cared about the students and their education. Additionally, while at MSU Haddad really enjoyed the NAHB and ABC student competitions, stating, "I really learned a lot from seeing and presenting a whole project." Between his Junior and Senior years at Minnesota State Mankato, he interned with Ryan Companies for nine months.

After college Haddad worked as an assistant project manager for Newt Marine Services, which specialized in marine related construction, dredging, and harbor services. When an opportunity arose, he again joined Ryan Companies in project management and remained there almost 9 years. When his family life took him to Oregon, he joined a structural concrete subcontractor named Pence Kelly. However, two years later, Haddad's family moved back to the Midwest and he was able to rejoin Ryan Companies, where he has been since then. Throughout his career, Haddad has worked and enjoyed learning about many different construction products such as river dredging, class A office space, and refrigerated distribution just to name a few.

Recently, Haddad began a new role at Ryan Companies as a project controls manager where he supports Ryan's construction teams nationwide with things such as project management software, forecasting financials, and building and implementing best practices for all teams. He enjoys getting to work with many different teams, projects, and stake holders while always trying to learn new things in the industry. Keep up the great work Yusef, continue to set a great example for all current and former students moving forward.

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