

CMSA Alumni of The Month

Eric Dosch '10- Department Manager at Schwickert's Tecta America

November Spotlight



Toolbox talk

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Eric Dosch '10 hails from Shakopee, Minnesota where he got into the construction industry at the age of 16. While in high school, Dosch was able to be a part of a carpentry apprentice program, where he learned the ins and outs of residential construction and set him on the path to Minnesota State.

After touring similar programs at other schools, he settled on Minnesota State for its updated campus and unmatched curriculum/professors in the construction management department. While at Minnesota State, there were several classes that helped him become the industry leader he is today, but there was one class in particular he remembers to this day- BLAW.

"At the time, it did not really seem important, but once I started to get into reading contracts, I realized understanding what you are signing is very important. If you sign the wrong contract, you are in for a world of hurt." Dosch said.

After interning at Ryan Companies for 7 months, he returned to campus to finish his degree, but it was not too long before he had another internship offer. Dosch started an internship with Schwickert's in May 2010 and later took on a project manager role upon graduation. He is now a department manager for the architectural metal department at Schwickert's where he oversees architectural metal operations at all 4 Schwickert's locations in Mankato, Savage MN, Rochester/Stewartville MN, and Lawrence KS.

Dosch first got in touch with Schwickert's through a **CMSA event** that he attended on campus. Now in a role where he hires new employees, he says he especially looks for interviewees involved with CMSA. "We've been doing a lot of interviews recently, and everyone I talk to I ask if they are involved with CMSA and if they say no, I always ask them why not?" This is a fantastic example of the opportunities available to students when they attend CMSA events!

Eric is a great example of a self-made industry leader for current students to follow and listen to for advice and we are proud to feature him this month. Keep up the great work!

Are you looking for an internship in the near future? Schwickert's Tecta America is looking to fill positions in their Architectural Metal, Roofing, Mechanical (HVAC/Plumbing), and Electrical fields! Check them out on Facebook or visit: www.schwickerts.com for more info!