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When examining some of his points of pride during his undergraduate program, Emanuel cites one of his first experiences that he gained a great sense of accomplishment, was being elected as the President of the Construction Systems Management Club. Emanuel led the club in making improvements, setting it on the right track for continued development for student career growth.

Another experience Emanuel related that has provided him pride was competing in the Associated Builders and Contractors Convention Nationwide Competition, representing OSU. This eight-week competition included creating a Project Management Plan for a mock project. Emanuel built valuable career skills and networked with various industry professionals which ultimately led to the team taking 4th place out of 26 teams during the convention.

An opportunity that fills Emanuel with great pride was hosting a woodworking workshop for student veterans in CFAES. This was especially memorable because Emanuel was able to provide relief to the college's veteran community during a stressful time of the year for most students: finals week. During this event, veteran students were provided with the opportunity to work on a wood crafting projects in the Materials Lab in the Agricultural Engineering Building. This was a special event for most veterans because it gave them a chance to decompress and be creative with their work.

Emanuel started his academic career at The University of Toledo and attended for two semesters prior to enrolling at The Ohio State University. Emanuel has received multiple scholarships to support his education at Ohio State including: Associated General Contractors | Builders Exchange | Society for Marketing Professional Services | Simpson Strong Tie | Wornick Foods | Major Lawrence Miller Veterans Scholarship. Emanuel is also currently serving in the Ohio Army National Guard and a recipient of one of their scholarships as well.

After graduation, Emanuel plans to stay employed with Turner Construction Co. as a VDC Engineer. Emanuel also plans to eventually return to school and receive a Master of Business Administration degree. Should his journey provide the opportunity, he would like to return to OSU and pursue this degree continuing his career as a Buckeye.

Emanuel chose to honor Phil Sutton as his mentor. Emanuel shares, "My most trusted and helpful mentor throughout my academic career would definitely have to be Phil Sutton. Phil has been an instructor of mine and has been a strong adviser in both my academic career, and my personal life. Over the past two semesters, he has helped me make various decisions, and helped guide me to make the best possible choice. I have been able to come and talk with him about things as small as which tie to wear for an interview, and things as big as which job position to accept. As a fellow Christian, he is definitely a good man to rely on in all things. I would trust Phil to help me no matter where I am in my life, and I hope to maintain this connection long after graduation."

