As summer approaches and the hustle and bustle of team projects, capstone presentations, and preparations for graduation comes to an end, all continues to go well as the MPM and EMDC programs mark the end of another successful year.

**New Students**

We were pleased to welcome the following new students in the 2016 Spring Quarter.

Joshua Carnahan (EMDC / USA)
Anthony DiGanci (MPM / USA)

**New Graduates**

Congratulations to our 2016 MPM graduates. Commencement exercises took place at Ryan Field on Friday, June 17th, and the recognition ceremony for the professional programs was held on Saturday, June 18th, at the McCormick Ryan Auditorium. Our most recent alums are:

Zhen Ba (China)  
Joanna Ma (USA)

Laeticia Gisèle Khadidja Jousso (Senegal)  
Laura Héléne Nathalie Mitrovic (France)

Matthew James Spoden (USA)
Graduation Brunch

Our Brunch on Sunday, June 5, 2016, at the Park Ridge Country Club was another wonderful and memorable event. There was a great turnout of 128 graduates, faculty, alumni, and friends of our programs, and we were happy to see each and every one of them. Shown below are several photos taken on this happy occasion. Next year our Brunch is scheduled for **Sunday, June 4, 2017**, so please mark your calendars accordingly.
Alum News

Ali Koucheki (MPM 2009) and his wife, Soudeh Mansourian, are the happy parents of their second son, Nima Koucheki, who was born on May 19, 2016.

Best wishes to Joseph Harris (MPM 2010) and his wife, Danielle Ray, who were married in Chicago in May of 2013. They are now the proud parents of a daughter, Aleksandra.

Benoit Rosala (MPM 2010) is working as a Project Manager for Chandler KBS in France. He handles major hotel reconstruction projects in Paris from the precontracting phase through the commissioning phase.

Congratulations to Eduardo Tesi (MPM 2010) and his wife, Isabel Mena, who were married on October 18, 2015 in Boca Raton, Florida.

Mexico meets Jordan – congratulations to Carolina Fong Guzy (MPM 2015) and Anas Elayyan (MPM 2014) on their engagement on May 23, 2016 in Mexico City. We look forward to their wedding in March 2017 in Guadalajara, Mexico.

Liying Li (MPM 2015) seeks to further her education in the doctoral program at the London School of Economics.

Juliette Montaud (MPM 2015) is working as a Project Engineer on high-end residential projects for Tandem Architecture and Construction in Chicago.

Lola Moussey (MPM 2015) is working for the Nicholson Construction Group in New York and planning to take the Fundamentals of Engineering exam. Good luck!

Seda Sahin (MPM 2015) is working for Parsons Corporation as a Project Controls Engineer in the Greater Los Angeles area.
Executive Management for Design and Construction

The Executive Management for Design and Construction (EMDC) program will formally launch its online MS degree program in the coming Fall Quarter. This program requires the completion of twelve courses, six of which courses (Finance and Accounting for Executives, Construction Law and Risk Management, Human Resource Management, Communication and Negotiations, Leadership and Organizations, and Advanced Business Strategy) will be required and the remaining six will be electives.

A course will consist of ten classes taught at a pace of one a week for ten weeks, and the online presentation mode for each class will be a 60-75 minute recorded video (which presents the “meat” of the lesson) plus an associated 90 minute interactive webinar (typically scheduled for 6:30 to 8:00 PM on a weekday) involving the faculty and students to discuss and expand on the “meat” of the video.

The recorded videos can be viewed whenever convenient prior to the associated webinar. The interactive weekly webinars will consist of discussions of assignments, group projects, guest seminars by industry leaders, and student presentations and are intended to forge the same interaction between students and faculty that is typically achieved in face-to-face courses. By maximizing social media outlets, a second goal is to extend this link beyond graduation to create a mutually supportive professional network.

Upcoming Conference on Technology for Design and Construction

This year the MPM and EMDC programs are collaborating with the Associated General Contractors to present a Joint AGC IT Forum Conference on August 3-5, 2016 at the Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel in Chicago. For additional information and to register for the event, go to: http://meetings.agc.org/itforum/