

***Alumni Employer Survey
Mechanical Engineering
Fall 2003***

*Summary of the verbal responses to a telephone interview of supervisors of alumni.
Sample: Supervisors of three 1997 graduates, one 2000 graduate. Supervisor contact
information obtained from alumni on Alumni Survey. Three questions were asked.*

- 1. What are the strengths of this CSUC ME graduate?**
 - a. Enthusiasm, hard work, waits for appropriate time to ask questions, willing to do anything
 - b. Ability to handle a lot of details in a self-sufficient manner
 - c. Analytical skills, computer skills

- 2. What are the weaknesses of this CSUC ME graduate?**
 - a. Doesn't like to stand up in front of a crowd and conduct training sessions, tends to complete project before asking questions rather than asking them piecemeal
 - b. Written communication
 - c. Early on he had some communication problems dealing with other employees, but these have been resolved

- 3. Any additional comments that will help us improve the quality of the education we provide to future students?**
 - a. Emphasize professional development after graduation. Keep up getting graduates to take EIT
 - b. Encourage co-ops (don't need to require students to do a co-op)
 - c. Chris is her top employee
 - d. Focus on manufacturing and process flow, understanding systems