



Stevens takes home First Place!

After two years of hard work and ten days of competition, Stevens' SU+RE House won 7 of 10 contests to secure the grand prize in the 2015 US Department of Energy Solar Decathlon! [Watch a short clip](#) from the final awards ceremony featuring our alma mater. A celebration of their incredible achievement will take place on campus on Wednesday, November 4 from 4pm to 6pm.

Upcoming Events

["More" Oktoberfest](#)
November 4, 2015

[Stevens Alumni Association Meeting](#)
November 9, 2015

[Stevens Metropolitan Club October Luncheon](#)
November 19, 2015

[Southern California Holiday Brunch](#)
December 5, 2015

[Northern California Holiday Party](#)
December 5, 2015

[Stevens Alumni Association Holiday Party](#)
December 5, 2015

[Houston Holiday Party](#)
December 10, 2015

A conversation with Sean Clinton '98



What do you do professionally?

I am a Technical Program Manager at Apple in WW Operations Engineering. Since 2012, I've managed new product introduction for the MacBook Pro, Air, and new MacBook battery packs. Since 2015, I remain a TPM, only now diving deeper from battery packs into cell development.

What part of your job do you most enjoy?

I enjoy working in a multinational environment with the smartest, most energetic and dedicated people I have ever met to bring ideas from paper and CAD into reality, sometimes starting from raw materials. I also enjoy hands-on development of fixtures and tools, working with robotic assembly equipment, and with various types of welding, gluing and taping processes.

What are some of your recent accomplishments?

Benefit Spotlight

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I was responsible for launching Apple's latest 12" MacBook featuring the new 3D "stepped" cell battery. Prior to that, I had successfully launched the battery packs for 13" & 15" MacBook Pro and 11" & 13" MacBook Air batteries from 2012-2015.

What are some of the biggest challenges you face?

Trying to balance perfection and schedule. When your customers will not accept or expect anything less than the best you produce, that's a high bar to meet. The time required to produce this level of quality is unparalleled, and daily "work" time doesn't end at 5:00pm. We are an always-on society, and in a global environment, therefore projects churn 24 hours a day. It's a large sacrifice of time, but more importantly, it's time lost from family. Traveling almost 50% of the time, halfway around the world, takes a toll, and it's up to the individual to set limits and boundaries.

What's the most important thing you learned at Stevens?

Steven's taught me how to learn, to dig deep and analyze a problem. A strong foundation in research and experimentation taught me how to make calculated, informed risk decisions, and more importantly, to make a decision to stand behind it with evidence and to be humble when you are wrong.

What is your favorite memory from Stevens?

Nothing beats a sunrise in Hoboken at the tip of Castle Point in early January when the faithful brothers of SigEp make the sun rise over NYC for us. Perhaps you've heard it in the wind..."I wanna be a Sig Ep, Sig Ep, Sig Ep"

Do you have advice for recent Stevens graduates?

Be willing to accept a challenge beyond your skills, your knowledge and your years. Have faith in what you know, and the ability to learn as you go. Your life is made by you and by those around you. Be humble, be compassionate, and be modest.

Do you keep in touch with any fellow alumni?

Yes, I still keep in touch with a few of my closest friends from Stevens. I haven't been able to see them as often as I would like due to moving across the country after graduation, but I am grateful for social media for allowing me to still stay connected from far away.

Submit your Q & A and we might feature you in the next newsletter!

Did you know that as an alumnus/a, you can request a free Google e-mail account with the Stevens Alumni Association? This account is of the form yourname@alumni.stevens.edu, and you can access it via gmail.com. You can request an alumni email account by sending us your full name and class year to alumni@stevens.edu.

Stevens Alumni in Action



Check out our [Flickr page](#) to see the photos from our latest events!

Philanthropy Spotlight

Support your passion. Support Stevens.

The annual support of alumni has a tremendous impact on Stevens' ability to support the passions of our students and faculty. There are so many projects, programs, and scholarships for alumni to support. Find your passion and show your **#StevensPride**. [Make a gift to Stevens today!](#)

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