

I firmly believe in the ripple effect, whether they may be positive or negative. As a current EMPA student, I try to share my current projects with those who ask me about them.

Sometimes I run into people I haven't seen for years, and they'll usually ask me, "How's life? What are you doing now?" I try to find a way to share about my master's EMPA program and how it focuses on not just making leaders, but Christlike leaders. How would the Savior lead this specific project? How can Christlike leadership be applied to other fields?

I had a friend in the real estate industry ask me about the program. I felt like a missionary again, preaching about the EMPA program and how students gain tools to be better leaders in the community, but also in the way of the Lord. I explained how BYU's approach is unique—we don't just learn management techniques, we learn to ask ourselves how Christ would handle each situation we face as leaders.

This is how BYU has helped me be a beacon of light in my community: through genuine conversations about faith-centered leadership that create positive ripples, one interaction at a time.