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# V S A T

Veterans Sustainable  
Agriculture Training

**CAL POLY**  
POMONA

# Imagine





# Archi's Acres<sup>Inc</sup>



# Opportunity

There's going to be a huge shift in American society, American culture, in the places where one is going to get rich. The stock brokers are going to be driving taxis. The smart ones will learn to drive tractors so they can work for the smart farmers. The farmers are going to be driving Lamborghinis. I'm telling you. You should start *Forbes Farming*.

*-Jim Rogers, Forbes Magazine*





- Partnership with Cal Poly Pomona
  - Approved at military Education Centers
  - 17 academic credits and several certificates
- Worked with MCCS at Miramar to develop entrepreneur track as a part of the DOL Transition Readiness Seminars

# Training Objectives

## 270 hours of course work

- Hydroponics
- Controlled Environments and crop protection
- Agriculture Irrigation Specialist
- Food Handlers Managers Certified
- Farm Visits
- Store/ market Visits
- Market Research
- Crop research
- Business Planning
- Financials





# Very talented and hard working

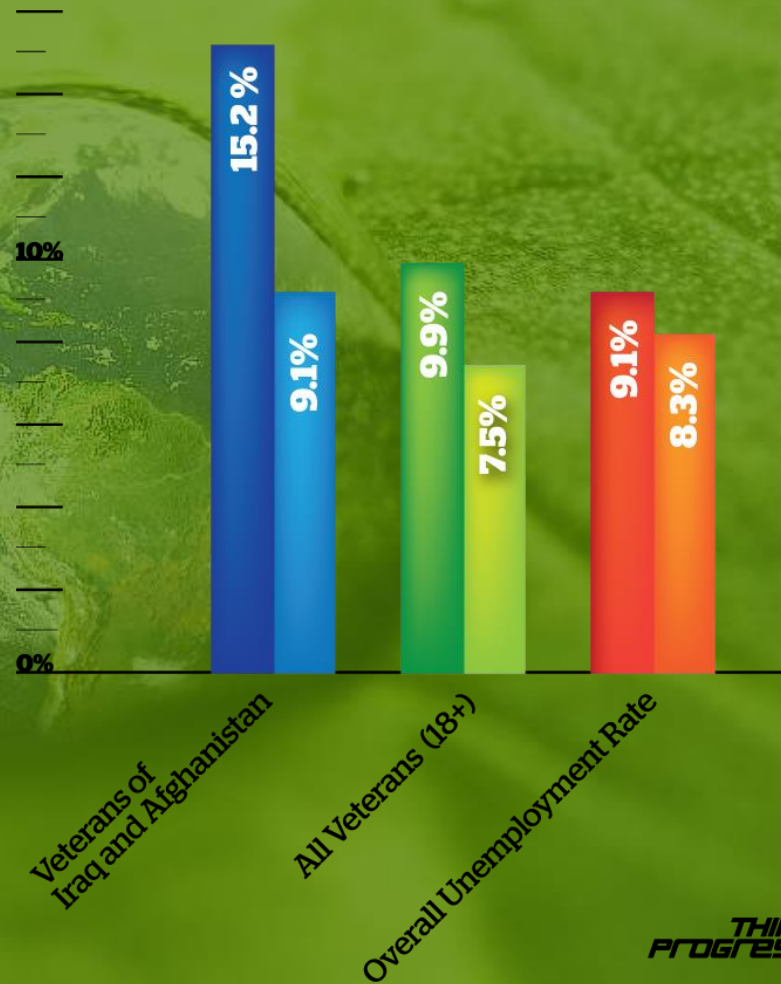




# Challenge

## Veteran Unemployment Rates

January 2011 vs. January 2012  
(Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics)



# Alumni Benefits

- Archi's rollout creating jobs and internship opportunities
- Exposure to extensive network
- Knowledge data base
- Opportunity at self employment
- Job Placement



# It's About the Network



# Thank You

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