

Foothill College

Extended Opportunity Program & Services (EOPS)

Recognition Ceremony

Thursday, June 22, 2023

Event begins at 6 pm



To establish “Over and Above”
student support services and programs...

Congratulations Class of 2023

Dear EOPS Students,

On this occasion we gather, with your family & friends and the Foothill College community, to celebrate the hard work and tenacity it took for you to get here. As a student you have overcome personal and educational adversity, treaded through varied learning modalities, and have persevered. Your experience has left a footprint and laid the foundation of what can no longer be described as the “new normal.”

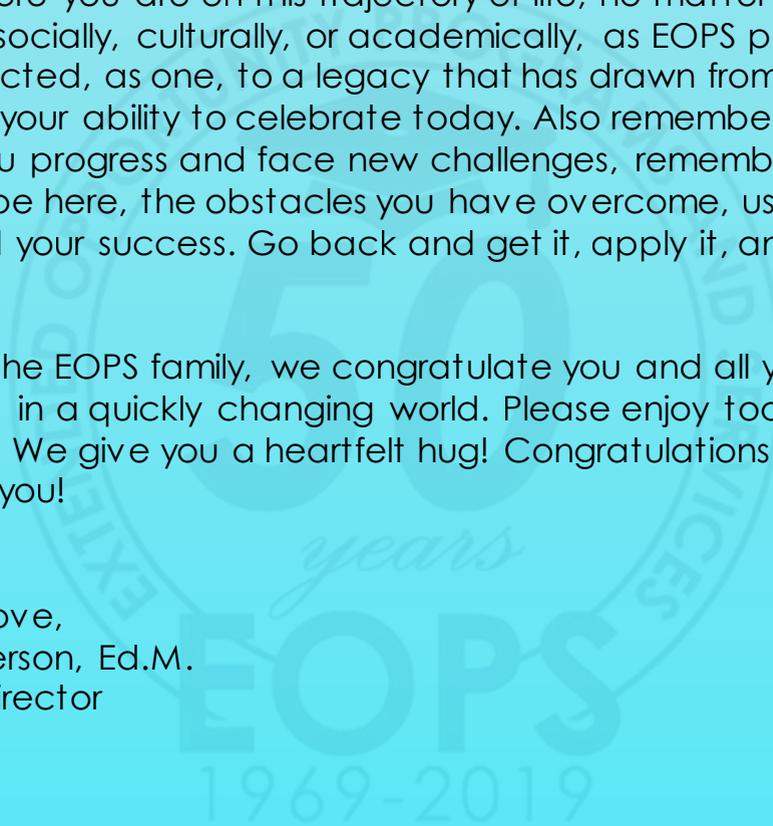
Congratulations on reaching this pivotal moment on your academic journey. For some of you this will be the starting point to access an immediate career path, and for many, you are transitioning to your selected colleges and universities, extending your education in hopes of achieving the next academic designation. There are also those of you who have not decided what the next step will be. You will take a pause awaiting your destiny to reveal itself. Although all your impending goals are varied, what you all have in common is your audacity to hope, dream and the courage to decide to do what is necessary to make it all a reality. Today we celebrate that success.

The encouragement I can offer you comes from my observation of what I have witnessed in you while on this journey and a word I have borrowed from the Akan people of Ghana, *Sankofa*. Sankofa is an Andinkra symbol that illustrates a bird reaching back for food, its sustenance before going forward. The idea is, we grow by drawing our strength from the lessons of the past, using it to build upon for the future.

No matter where you are on this trajectory of life, no matter how varied your background, socially, culturally, or academically, as EOPS participants you are forever connected, as one, to a legacy that has drawn from the past, creating the space for your ability to celebrate today. Also remember your personal journey. As you progress and face new challenges, remember what it has taken you to be here, the obstacles you have overcome, use the tools that have enabled your success. Go back and get it, apply it, and move forward, Sankofa!

On behalf of the EOPS family, we congratulate you and all you have accomplished in a quickly changing world. Please enjoy today and stand in your moment! We give you a heartfelt hug! Congratulations EOPS Class of 2023! We see you!

In Service & Love,
April C. Henderson, Ed.M.
EOPS/CARE Director



Program

Prelude
EOPS Slide Show Presentation

Mistress of Ceremony

April C. Henderson
EOPS/CARE Director

President's Greeting

Dr. Kristina Whalen
Foothill College President

Artistic Selection

Tupa Clan
Band

Guest Speaker

Sandra Rodriguez
EOPS Alumni

Scholarship Certificates

Dr. Dee Robinson
EOPS Counselor
Tobias Nava
EOPS Counselor

Tutor Recognition

Sarah Corrao
EOPS Tutor Coordinator

Presentation of Certificates
and Sash

Sarah Corrao
Tobias Nava
Lily Luu
Tilly Wu

Student Speaker

Tyrell Baker
EOPS student, Class of 2023

Closing Remarks

Dr. Roosevelt Charles
Dean, Counseling Division

HONOREES

UNIVERSITY TRANSFERS, DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

Aguilar Sandria	Jose	AS	Respiratory Therapy Graduate	
Alvarado Rivas Angie		AA-T	Psychology	
Andrade	Ashley	AA-T	Psychology	San Jose State University
❖ Anguiano Diaz German		AA-T	Kinesiology	
Augustin	Andre	AS-T	Computer Science	
Ayo-Ogunyemi Moyosore		AA	Humanities	
❖❖ Baker	Tyrell	AA	Computer Science	California State University East Bay
Ball	Nathaniel	AA-T	Political Science Humanities	University of California Berkeley
❖❖ Banh	Jennifer	AA-T	Political Science	
Banks	Leandrew	AA-T	Sociology	
❖ Barajas	Rosemary	AS	Vet Tech	Graduate
Bond	Nia	AA-T	Psychology	
❖ Bravo Jacobo Ana		AS-T	Business Administration	University of California Los Angeles
Campbell	Chandra	AA-T	Early Childhood Education	
Campbell	Kayla	AS-T	Early Childhood Education	

❖❖ = EOPS Designated Scholarship

❖ = Received one or more campus-based and/or private scholarship

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UNIVERSITY TRANSFER, DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

Carias	Suzanne	AA-T	Communication Studies	
Castillo	Leidy	AA-T	Psychology	
Castleman	Libbey	AA-T	Studio Arts	
Choudhry	Mohammad	AA-T	Mathematics	
Coleman	Onynndega	AA-T	Psychology	
Cortez	Marielos	AA-T	Psychology	
Crain	Katy	AA	Child & Adolescent Development	California State University East Bay
Edwards	Charmika	AA-T	Business Administration	Louisiana State University
Escobar	Kiara	AA	Vet Tech	Graduate
Favela	Santana	AA-T	Psychology	
Fleming	Danielle	AA-T	Anthropology	
Galitsky	Katherine	AA-T	Communication Studies	University of California San Diego
❖ Guzman Prado	Noelia	AA-T	Child & Adolescent Development	California State University Long Beach
Guillen	Ashley	AS-T	Business Administration	
Guo	Chloe	AA-T	Mathematics	University of California Los Angeles

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Hernandez Hernandez	Sonia	AA	Social Science	University of California Davis
Izaguirre	Samantha			Transfer
❖ Jimenez	Gabriela	AS-T	Biology	University of California Davis
Jochum	Sarah	AS-T	Computer Science	
Jurado	Evelyn	AA-T	Social Justice Studies	San Francisco State University
Kadhim	Doaa	AS-T	Public Health Science	
Landaverde	Marisela	AS-T	Mathematics Engineering	San Jose State University
Landaverde	Miguel	AA-T	Communication Studies	San Jose State University
Leon	Amy	AA-T	Sociology	San Jose State University
Lewis	Victoria	AA-T	Psychology	
Mack	Alisa	AA-T	Political Science	
Magat	China Nicole	AA-T	Mathematics	University of California Santa Cruz
* Morales	Tanya	AA-T	Sociology	San Diego State University
Najera Perez	Jacqueline	AA-T	Psychology	
Nguyen	Julie	AA-T	Psychology	

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	Nguyen	Lyna	AA-T	Psychology	University of Southern California
	Nguyen	Thanh	AA-T	Business Admin	Graduate
❖	Nguyen	Trisha	AA-T	Psychology	University of California Berkeley
	Ortez	Edwin	AA-T	Kinesiology	
	Presley	Adelle	AS-T	Public Health Science	
	Ruiz Soto	Mayra	AA-T	Child & Adolescent Development	
	Urzua	D'Angelo	AA-T	Psychology	
	Velasquez	Leslie	AA-T	Kinesiology	
	Valencia	Victor	AS-T	Biology	University of California Davis
	Velagic	Aldijana	AS-T	Public Health Science	
	Yanez Perez	Nayeli	AA-T	Psychology	
	Zelechowski	Marina	AA-T	Child & Adolescent Development	

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SPECIAL THANKS TO GRADUATING EOPS TUTORS

Tutors		Major	University Transfer
Kapur	Alekos	Anthropology	University of California Los Angeles
Fernandez-Grinshpun	Lia	Business	University of California Berkeley
Mackassy	Jesper	Neuroscience	University of California Los Angeles
Reihaneh	Nicoya	Biomedical Engineering	San Jose State University
Simeon	Ethan	Biochemistry	University of California Los Angeles

EOPS

Scholarship Recipients

Rando Family Endowed
Scholarship

Noelia Guzman

Louise Nguyen

Ammy Vejar

Jason Whitten Memorial
Scholarship

Tyrell Baker

Malenia Horn

Region IV Consortium
Campus Specific
Scholarship

Tanya Morales

EOPS Friends and Supporters

Foothill-DeAnza Foundation

Foothill Commission

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And

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Counseling Department & Transfer Center

Financial Aid Department

Foothill-De Anza Police Department

Marketing and Outreach Department

Puente & Umoja

Disability Resource Center & Veterans Resource Center

Foothill Student Connect & EOPS/CARE Advisory

And

To all administrators, faculty and staff who tirelessly continue to support

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Tobias Nava EOPS Counselor

Tilly Wu EOPS Counselor

Lily Luu EOPS Admin Assistant, Senior

Kai Chang EOPS Coordinator

Sarah Corrao EOPS Coordinator

Dr. Dee Robinson EOPS Counselor

K'ronna Harmon EOPS Assistant

And

all EOPS peer advisors and EOPS tutors