



President's Communiqué

FROM THE DESK OF THUY THI NGUYEN

A+ Grade in Academics, Athletics, Alumni

A+ in ACADEMICS

I am enjoying my various presentations at school boards, city councils, and community organizations as part of engaging the larger community in the bond/parcel conversations. I love bragging about our college on all types of metrics such graduation rates, online education, job placement, and campus safety.

Well, here's another (more recent news) metric: return on investment! The Washington Post wrote about [Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce](#) (CEW)'s report which ranks Foothill #1 among California colleges that primarily award Associate Degrees (public and private) in terms of return on investment. Nationwide, we're 25th out of 1043 such institutions on ROI; 6th out of 718 such public institutions.

Special thanks to AVP **Elias Regalado** for alerting me to this.

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Institution	State	Level	Predominant degree	Institution type	Average age at entry	10-year NPV rank	10-year NPV	15-year NPV rank	15-year NPV	20-year NPV rank	20-year NPV	30-year NPV rank	30-year NPV	40-year NPV rank	40-year NPV
1 Foothill College	CA	4-year	Associate's	Public	25	145	\$218,000	160	\$401,000	218	\$568,000	285	\$854,000	341	\$1,089,000
2 Pacific College	CA	4-year	Associate's	Private for-profit	31	140	\$220,000	161	\$400,000	237	\$562,000	309	\$843,000	361	\$1,073,000
3 De Anza College	CA	2-year	Associate's	Public	23	197	\$202,000	277	\$366,000	360	\$615,000	522	\$773,000	622	\$983,000
4 Skyline College	CA	4-year	Associate's	Public	24	192	\$204,000	281	\$363,000	390	\$508,000	577	\$758,000	699	\$982,000
5 Argosy University-The Art Institute of California-inland Empire	CA	4-year	Associate's	Private for-profit	30	989	\$147,000	652	\$311,000	703	\$459,000	818	\$714,000	883	\$923,000
6 Moorpark College	CA	2-year	Associate's	Public	23	284	\$187,000	382	\$340,000	568	\$477,000	809	\$715,000	949	\$911,000
7 College of the Canyons	CA	2-year	Associate's	Public	24	431	\$171,000	464	\$327,000	640	\$467,000	849	\$710,000	954	\$910,000
8 San Diego Miramar College	CA	2-year	Associate's	Public	25	431	\$171,000	476	\$328,000	645	\$466,000	854	\$709,000	960	\$906,000
9 Las Positas College	CA	2-year	Associate's	Public	24	290	\$186,000	392	\$338,000	585	\$475,000	823	\$713,000	968	\$907,000
10 Ohlone College	CA	2-year	Associate's	Public	24	374	\$178,000	447	\$329,000	634	\$466,000	859	\$708,000	975	\$905,000
11 West Valley College	CA	2-year	Associate's	Public	25	651	\$158,000	636	\$312,000	781	\$451,000	979	\$690,000	1074	\$867,000
12 Diablo Valley College	CA	2-year	Associate's	Public	25	401	\$174,000	532	\$322,000	726	\$456,000	993	\$698,000	1118	\$879,000
13 San Diego Mesa College	CA	4-year	Associate's	Public	24	444	\$170,000	566	\$319,000	735	\$454,000	1000	\$687,000	1122	\$878,000
14 Napa Valley College	CA	2-year	Associate's	Public	25	384	\$175,000	552	\$321,000	748	\$455,000	1039	\$681,000	1161	\$869,000
15 California College San Diego	CA	4-year	Associate's	Private nonprofit	28	2358	\$103,000	1632	\$280,000	1414	\$403,000	1307	\$648,000	1288	\$849,000

Our workforce efforts are going strong, with a recent announcement. Let students know about this opportunity.



Foothill Workforce
@OwlTalent

SPRINGTERNSHIP IS COMING!!!!!!

Reach out to gandhimiloni@fhda.edu

for more info.



A+ in ATHLETICS

Our awesome Athletic Director **Mike Teijeiro** told me that our athletic teams are doing especially well this year! I know we are usually known for our academics,

but wow, our student athletes are shining in their respective sports.

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Congratulations to the Foothill Men's Soccer team. Coast Conference North Champions!!!





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Foothill College President
@FoothillPrez



Chucky found his place on the field & @OwlFootball_, you found your place in our college's 61-year history w/ this undefeated record. I am so proud of you: your teamwork, college spirit, resiliency, and fierceness!

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Yes, the team managed to get me in the post-game picture. Congratulations to Coach **Kelly Edwards** and the entire coaching/staff support team for this incredible feat! In four years, the team rebuild itself to be this force to be reckoned with.

Our football defensive team is so formidable that in the last 3 games, the

opposing teams were barely able to score (or at all). Well, the rankings are in: defense is ranked No. 1 in the state!



Sean Giffen
@gifferd

The #1 JC defense (PPG) in California....

RK	NAME	GP	PPG	PTS
1	Foothill	10	9.4	94
2	Chaffey	9	11.6	104
3	San Mateo	10	11.6	116
4	Fresno City	10	12.8	128
5	Allen Hancock	10	14.4	144

Be on the lookout for a big congratulatory party for the football team by ASFC. (And yes, De Anza College sent me a picture of the congratulatory banner. And no, I will not post a picture of that banner here. As I told one of the football team volunteers, let's win with grace.)

Besides the ones following my live-tweets, I spotted a few Owl colleagues yesterday: **Patricia Gibbs, Andre Meggerson, Mike Mohebbi, Dokesha Meacham, Tommy Liner** (who recently had a kidney transplant and looked great), **Liz Hunter, Adrienne Hypolite, Kevin Harral, Melissa Cervantes, Daphne Small, Hilda Fernandez, Adiel Velasquez, Simon Pennington, Mike Teijeiro, and Debbie Lee**. Apologies for not mentioning two other Owl colleagues I saw at the De Anza game in my last communique: **Natalia Menendez and Debbie Lee!**

Foothill College is going to the BOWL! I have a pre-scheduled family vacation to Universal Studios (yes, Harry Potter fans here), but we are definitely making a stop in Fresno for the game.

American Championship Bowl **Foothill College vs. Reedley College**

Saturday, Nov. 23rd (time to be announced)
At Reedley College (Fresno area)



Foothill College Football
@OwlFootball_

A special day for our sophomores.



At the last home game, as tradition, we also honored the sophomores as this would be their last year to play football at Foothill.

A+ in ALUMNI

As I often say to students about *Service Leadership*, our goal is for students to not just get A's in their classes, but also A's in life! Don't forget to nominate those A+ alumni: <https://foothill.edu/alumni/>



We have some of the most impressive alumni. Dr. **Martha Kanter** emailed me this weekend to alert me to an article in the Yale Daily News, along with other news. As she proudly puts it, "FH is everywhere."

Check out what **Brooke** who just started at Yale this year wrote in the [Yale Daily News](#) about her experience at Foothill College. And she's a philosophy major!

As I mentioned at Opening Day, three of the 20 community college transfers to Stanford this year are from Foothill. One of the 3 Foothill students (among 21 who transferred to Stanford last year) is **Atlanta** who credits Sociology Prof. **John Fox** for her success.

Foothill students are extraordinary, and they are already exemplifying the type of *Service Leadership* while at Foothill. Similar to the Summit on Student Homelessness, ASFC is organizing a town hall on “student needs” this Tuesday. Come hear their own expression of needs, while showing your support for their effort. I will be there to listen, as I did at the Summit.



Part of this “student needs” town hall will invariably lead to a discussion of the need for additional resources including the general obligation bond and parcel that the Board will consider on Nov. 25. If you have not had a chance to attend the R&R Council’s Town Hall on the Facilities Master Plan & Parcel, you still have a chance to [provide feedback](#) before their Nov. 22nd meeting.

Speaking of resources, our Foothill teams surely deserve an “A+” for their efforts to bring in more resources to support student needs.

- Family Engagement Institute with **Betsy Nikolchev** applied and received a state grant to provide legal services to undocumented students.
- Veterans Resources team, thanks to help from our Foundation’s Development Director **Leigh Howell** & the Los Altos Rotary, received a \$25,000 grant from SAGA.
- Psychological Services department with Prof. **Lisa Slede**'s leadership received a grant that most likely will be \$250,000.

And then there are the amazing colleagues who are exemplifying service to our students -- beyond the call of duty! Have you ordered the delicious homemade tamales this year from Organizacion Latino Americano (O.L.A.) to support student

scholarships? Orders are due by Friday, Nov. 22nd and will be available for pick up on Wednesday, Nov 27th at Noon in the faculty lounge. To place an order, submit the order form, cash or check, to either **Sophia Abad** OTI, **Manny Diaz** A&R, or **Adaly Padro** in Financial Aid. Questions and concerns can be addressed to **Fatima Jinnah** jinnahfatima@fhda.edu or abadsafia@fhda.edu.

Although Foothill remains the best bet for students of color in light of the data on graduation rates, for instance, I honestly envision a day in which Foothill College will get an “A+” for racial equity. Surely, it is not about the grade but the kind of racially equitable college culture we practice whereby everyone (students, colleagues, and visitors) will feel (and remark) along with the student-success data that will evidence it. It is possible, as it is at other colleges. I would love to hear from you as to what you think it will take to do so. Drop by my office for tea, sandwiches, and cakes on Wednesday, and share your thoughts.

YOU ARE INVITED



*Office Hours:
High Tea with the
President*

Open conversation on racial equity.

November 20, 2019

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm (Stop by anytime)

President's Office 1904

RSVP by accepting Outlook invitation.



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