# Foothill College

MIDDLEFIELD CAMPUS | WINTER 2016



## Middlefield Campus Moving to Sunnyvale Center

For almost 30 years, Foothill College has operated its off-site campus in Palo Alto as Middlefield Campus. In Fall 2016, this site will move to a new building in Sunnyvale, which was formerly Onizuka Air Force Station.

This is an exciting development for students, faculty, and staff, and we thought we would provide some background information to our current Middlefield students about the move to Sunnyvale.

After searching for a suitable new location for several years, in 2012 Foothill-De Anza Community College District obtained 9.15 acres of the 18.9-acre Onizuka property free of charge from the U.S. Department of Education through the federal public benefit conveyance process. The district is currently building a two-story, 46,882-foot state-of-the-art LEED Gold certified building which

includes 17 classroom spaces, two dedicated computer labs; one 3D Printing lab; café; Admission & Records; student service support spaces including counseling, financial aid, testing & assessment; and a student resource center.

Summer 2016 is the final quarter for all classes at Middlefield Campus. The first classes offered at Sunnyvale Center will be Fall 2016. More information to be found in the FAQ section below.



## **FAQs about Sunnyvale Center**

#### 1. Where is Sunnyvale Center located?

The new address is:

1070 Innovation Way

Sunnyvale, CA 94089

This new location is conveniently located right near highways 237 and 101, and right off Mathilda Ave. in Sunnyvale, only 5.5 miles down the freeway from Middlefield Campus.

#### 2. Will any classes remain at Middlefield Campus?

All Foothill College classes will leave Middlefield Campus.

All operations at Middlefield Campus will end after summer 2016, and the rented building space will return to City of Palo Alto.

### 3. Will my Physical Education class be at Sunnyvale Center?

No, all Physical Education (PHED) and Adaptive Learning: Community Based (ALCB) classes will either return to main campus or find new locations in the community. More information to come out in the Spring about these classes.

## 4. Will I be able to see a Counselor for an appointment at Sunnyvale Center?

Yes!

Services to students (including Financial Aid, Health Services, Counseling, and many more) will expand from the limited services currently offered at

Middlefield Campus.

## 5. I heard a rumor that Mission College will hold classes at the new Center. Is that true?

Yes again. Mission College is partnering with Foothill College to hold a limited amount of classes at Sunnyvale Center. More info about this to come out in Spring 2016.

#### 6. Is the new building ready yet?

Not quite, but we're working as fast as we can. Much more information, as well as a time lapse video of construction, can be found at: <a href="http://www.foothill.edu/sunnyvale/">http://www.foothill.edu/sunnyvale/</a>

#### 7. How can I get to Sunnyvale Center?

Attending classes at the new Sunnyvale Center has never been easier. One of the factors in deciding where the "new Middlefield campus" would be located was ease to bus and train stations. The Sunnyvale Center, located at 1070 Innovation Way (between 11th Ave and North Mathilda Ave), serves a variety of routes to and from the Center.

#### **BUS**

Less than a half-mile north of us is the Lockheed Martin Transit Center, located on the corner of 5th Ave and North Mathilda. Ave. This hub serves the 26, 54, 120, 121, 122, 321 and 328 bus lines. These lines stretch out to the Eastridge Transit Center in East San Jose, De Anza College, the Gilroy Transit Center, Santa Teresa in South San Jose, and even the Fremont Bart station. Please consult www.vta.org for specific days and times. In addition, part of your registration allows you to obtain a Foothill College Clipper Card. For only \$3 per quarter, you may ride any of the VTA busses as long as you are an active student for that quarter. Normal fares currently run at \$6 per day, so you can see the huge savings by using the Clipper Card.

#### LIGHT RAIL

The Sunnyvale Center is conveniently located between the Moffett Park and Lockheed Martin Light Rail stations (Green Line) and runs from 5 am to past midnight. At the western end of the Green Line is the Mountain View light rail station that connects to Cal Train and serves the entire peninsula. Please consult www.vta.org for specific days and times.

#### **DRIVING**

Should you chose to drive, the Sunnyvale Center hugs Highway 237 and Highway 101 which minimizes the need to drive through city streets.



### **Winter Quarter Updates**

#### **Tutoring**

Ebru Goksel-Demir from the Teaching & Learning Center (TLC) is available for drop-in counseling on Mondays and Wednesdays from 2:15pm - 5:15pm in the HUB, room I-1. You can receive assistance with anything related to research papers, grammar and punctuation, essay writing, reading comprehension.

#### **Parking**

Parking permits are not required for students at Middlefield Campus. However, to park in designated staff spaces, you must display your Foothill College Staff parking permit. Spaces marked "Stevenson House" are not available to faculty or staff and vehicles in these spaces are subject to ticketing or towing.

#### Counseling

Counselor Hilary Bacon is on campus Tuesday evenings, from 2:30pm - 6:30pm in the HUB, room I-4. She has drop-in time set aside from 5:30pm - 6:30pm, and appointments can be booked <u>here</u>.

