



**April 17, 2020**

Dear Colleagues,

We made it through the first week of the quarter! Thank you to everyone for your hard work and dedication to our students. Remember to check the [virtual campus page](#) for information and resources during this time.

Have a safe and relaxing weekend.



## **Comings & Goings**

Welcome, **Sophia Kim**, Director of the Science Learning Institute! Sophia comes to Foothill College from Stanford University's Haas Center for Public Service where she was the High School Program Director, leading the High School Support Initiative, whose goal was addressing education inequity in local communities through tutoring and mentoring high school students. Sophia is a transplant from Boston where she spent almost 15 years working in the nonprofit youth work space, directing programs that primarily served Asian American youth from immigrant and low-income backgrounds, building youth leadership and supporting youth to effect positive change in their communities.

Sophia also has a commitment to anti-oppression education and change work through initiatives to develop anti-racism trainings, activist trainings for young adults, and most recently serving as the chair for the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion committee at the Haas Center.



Sophia has a bachelor's degree from Williams College, where she double-majored in biology and history, and a master's degree in education from the University of Massachusetts Boston with a focus on multicultural education at the secondary level.

Sophia spends her free time with her husband and young son, riding their bikes, exploring farmer's markets, hiking, and trying to be outdoors as much as possible. She loves cooking and baking for family and friends, and exploring new places with her family.

## What's Happening This Week?

### Tuesday, April 21

- [Lecture: Maria Azhunova, Indigenous Rights & Conservation Activist](#)

### Wednesday, April 22

- [Chancellor's Open Office Hour](#)
- [UC Merced Rep Visit](#)
- [ASFC & Student Trustee Candidate Applications Due](#)
- [Lecture: Dacia Taleni, the Real Tautala](#)

### Thursday, April 23

- [Lecture: Ruby Walia, Touch A Soul Founder](#)
- [Lecture: Author & Activist Samina Ali](#)
- [Mills College Rep Visit](#)

### Friday, April 24

- [Last day to add regular, quarter-length classes](#)

## In Other News...

[Foothill's makerspace helps 3D-print face shields](#)



## Foundation Raises Funds for COVID-19 Relief

Thanks to generous donations from students, faculty, staff, alumni and community members, the FHDA Foundation has raised nearly \$20,000 to support students at both colleges who have been impacted by COVID-19. For more information or to donate, visit the [Foundation website](#).

## COVID-19 PSA Contest



Associated Students of Foothill College has created a competition for the student body to raise awareness on the impacts of the COVID-19 virus.

Students are encouraged to create a PSA focusing on one of four areas: Online Resources, Mental Health, Xenophobia, and Misinformation. The prize? \$500 for each category! The deadline to submit a PSA is Thursday, April 23. Additional details available on [the website](#).



Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month is still happening, and a lot of virtual activities are planned. [See the full list](#).

## Now Hiring Student Tech Ambassadors

The college is hiring technology ambassadors for spring quarter at \$16 per hour, 10-15 hours per week, to work April 13-June 26.

Ambassadors will provide support and technical assistance to students who are using software, hardware, or other computer systems in our Virtual Campus.

[Get more info](#)



## Choose Your Zoom Background

Looking for a new Zoom background? Graphic designer **Jerry Robredo** has added several images of the campus that you can use! Check them out on the [marketing website](#) and download one for your own use.



## Weekly Quiz

What is the prize for the COVID-19 PSA contest? Send your answer to [Vanessa Smith](#).

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