



# President's Communiqué

FROM THE DESK OF THUY THI NGUYEN

## March Women's Month - Women's March - March Madness

Greetings Foothill,

As you know, March is Women's month and what a way to start the month with our women's basketball team upsetting the #1 team in the North, Sierra College (25-4) by a final score of 51-45 last Friday. As Coach **Jody Craig** reports, "the win gave the Owls (23-8) a berth into the California Community College State Elite 8 Tournament" to be held at Las Positas College March 10-12. This will be the 8th time Foothill College has gone to the Elite 8 with the last time being in 2012. Everyone on the Foothill roster scored lead by sophomore **Tyiteyana Jefferson** and freshman **Tiffani Lowe** with 11 points each. The #4 (North) Owls will now play #1 (South) Mt. San Antonio at 1 p.m. on Friday March 10 at Las Positas College. Winner will reach the Final 4. March Madness has a new meaning with our Lady Owls!



Tomorrow is International Women's Day and I surely will be wearing red in solidarity with the Women's March.

### Global Warning (Climate Change)

Professors **Allison Meezan, Robert Cormia, Gillian Schultz, and Ben Stefonik**  
10:00AM – 12:00PM, Room 5015

### International Women's Day

Professor **Dolores Davison**  
10:00AM – 11:00AM, President's Conference Room (Room 1901)

**Michael Childress, Director of Programs at The School Fund (TSF)**

12:00PM – 1:00PM, Hearthside Lounge

It was an absolute joy yesterday to honor 5 superb professors for tenure. Check out photos from our college photographer **Julie Ceballos**:

<https://foothillcollege.smugmug.com/FHDA-Faculty-Tenure-2017-March-6/n-vkgx6k/i-S9LMQJq/A>

<b>Jeffrey Anderson</b>	Physical Sciences, Mathematics & Engineering
<b>Katherine Ha</b>	Language Arts
<b>Allison Herman</b>	Language Arts
<b>Eric Reed</b>	Physical Sciences, Mathematics & Engineering
<b>Samuel White</b>	Language Arts



As you know, we are in the process of hiring several faculty positions, and I look forward to interviewing final candidates this month and next. Two of those faculty positions are transfers from De Anza College. The respective divisions and I are absolutely thrilled with the transfers of two highly regarded professors next academic year: **Antonio (Toño) Rameriz** (Philosophy) and **Jeff Schinske** (Biology).

I am also pleased to announce that our Vice President of Student Services, Dr. **Denise Swett**, has been cleared to come back to the college! Thank you to AVP **Laureen Balducci** for stepping in, and thank you to the entire Student Services division for not only supporting Dr. Swett in her time of need, but also continuing to provide outstanding services for our students, our college!

The first round of hiring for the Vice President of Instruction and Institutional Research & Vice President of Finance and Administrative Services did not result in final candidates selected. The VPI committee is doing a second round of interviews at the end of the month, and the VPF committee is evaluating the second round of applications. We are still planning to

get those two positions filled by summer (or earlier), though it was clear that we rather take our time to find the right leaders for our college.

Last year during the trustee candidate forum, several of our labor union representatives and senate leaders spoke about how wonderful it is to work at Foothill and the incredible employment benefits. Though this is not quite an employment benefit, some employees have benefited from our STEM Summer Camp. This year, our STEM Summer Camp has even more exciting sessions for middle and high school students, including virtual reality, coding, forensic sciences, animation, and video game design. Foothill College employees receive \$30 off each session (promotional code: Summer2017). For more information visit [foothillstemcamp.com](http://foothillstemcamp.com) or contact SLI Director **Oxana Pantchenko** directly at [pantchenkooxana@fhda.edu](mailto:pantchenkooxana@fhda.edu).

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