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FOOTHILL COLLEGE FACULTY & STAFF NEWSLETTER | SPRING QUARTER



June 25, 2021

Dear Colleagues,

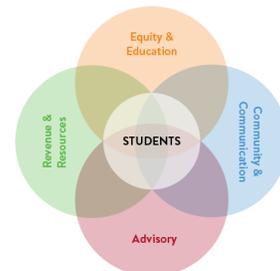
Well, we made it! As we look back over the last 16 months, the Parliament thinks Foothill College and our students should be very proud. We adapted to a virtual existence and did not miss a beat, continuing to serve our students and provide the support they needed. Every faculty member became an online instructor and classes we never thought could be offered virtually were successfully moved into Canvas. A huge shout out to everyone involved in this herculean effort!

Please be sure to tune in to our **61st (and second virtual) annual commencement ceremony** this evening at 6 p.m. It will be broadcast via YouTube and you'll be able to show your support for the graduates in the chat. There will be an afterparty as well, so stick around after commencement and dance the night away! Check your Outlook calendar for the Zoom info.

The Parliament hopes that everyone will take time for themselves and their loved ones this summer. Take a trip to the beach, visit relatives (because you can!), and decompress after this most singular year. Stay safe!

Governance Taskforce Update

The Shared Governance Taskforce, made up of faculty, students, classified staff, and administrators, has begun work on the redesign of our current shared governance system. The process is being facilitated by Dr. Darla Cooper from the RP Group and work will continue through the summer.



Please visit the [governance website](#) for meeting minutes, agendas and memos from President Nguyen in response to recommendations/memos from the shared governance councils.

What's Happening Next Week?

Monday, June 28

- Summer session begins

Wednesday, June 30

- Town Hall: Meet the Dean of Equity Candidates

Friday, July 2

- Summer Fridays start

Division Awards Webpages



Missed the STEM awards ceremony last Friday? You can [watch the recording on the website!](#)

Please also take a few minutes to visit the awards webpages for [Language Arts](#) and [Fine Arts](#) and watch the faculty videos there. Students who were recognized received scholarships and personal congratulations from the faculty and division deans.

Thank you to **Robin Latta** and **Leigh Howell** at the FHDA Foundation for their work with our donors and to **Nila Nine, Julie Ceballos, Ariana Buccat, Karima Karim** and all the other staff who helped celebrate our students.

We're looking forward to being on campus for the year-end celebrations next year.

K'Ronna Harmon Selected for Umoja Scholarship



Foothill's Umoja Community has chosen **K'Ronna Harmon** for their \$2,000 scholarship award.

K'Ronna, a leader in our 2018 cohort, is an Athletic Injury Care major and has completed three quarters of her degree, Associate in Science for Sports Medicine. Like many students, K'Ronna was forced to withdraw from courses when COVID hit, as she lost her employment. Despite her struggles with housing insecurity this past year, K'Ronna stayed connected with Umoja, BSU, and campus

community as a whole. She most recently co-hosted this year's Harambee Ceremony, celebrating our Black graduates, transfer students, and our Umoja Scholars.

Outside of school, K'Ronna works with Haiti Action Committee to bring awareness and raise funds for various projects assisting activists and grassroots organizations in Haiti.

K'Ronna is currently enrolled in two summer 2021 courses and has just secured stable housing in San Jose. With her relentless positivity and proactive attitude, we are confident that K'Ronna will be successful in academics and are pleased to lighten her financial burden with this award.

2021-22 Catalog Ready for Viewing

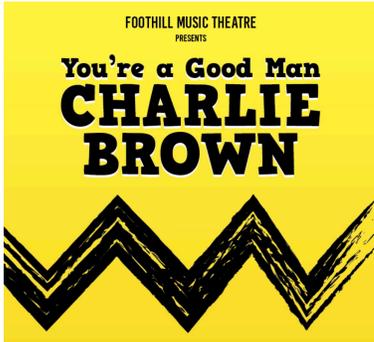
The [2021-2022 catalog](#) is now ready to view in Courseleaf! Shout out to curriculum



coordinator **Mary Vanatta** for leading the project.

The new catalog is much more user-friendly and helps us better streamline our edits and updates. If you have any feedback, please email **Vanessa Smith**.

Foothill Music Theatre Presents: You're a Good Man Charlie Brown



Foothill Music Theatre is back on campus! *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* runs in the Smithwick Theatre from July 22-Aug. 1.

Tickets will go on sale soon. Please visit the [Theatre website](#) for more info.

County Vaccine Clinic on Campus Sunday, July 11



In collaboration with Santa Clara County, we are having a walk-in vaccine clinic on campus Sunday, July 11. No appointment needed.

[See event details](#)

Save the Date! Campus Re-Opening Day Sept. 17



Join us in person or virtually for Re-Opening Day on Friday, Sept. 17! We'll celebrate retirees, tenured faculty and all new staff hired over the past two years. More details to come.



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