

ACCREDITATION

The Fresno City College Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (ISER) has been submitted to ACCJC in preparation for the March 5-8 site visit. Dr. Erika Endrijonas, President of Los Angeles Valley College will chair the twelve member team. The college looks forward to showcasing its programs and receiving the team's feedback. The complete report can be found on the college website.

CONVOCATION

This year's opening of school meeting on Thursday, January 4, was a "flipped" schedule with division and department meetings taking place in the morning. There was a campus breakfast served in the cafeteria hosted by President Goldsmith. In the afternoon, campus updates were provided with a special presentation and panel discussion led by Dr. J. Luke Wood and Dr. Frank Harris III from the Community College Equity Assessment Lab in the OAB Auditorium.

EXTREME REGISTRATION

The one-stop shop event on January 3, from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. allowed new students to register and access a variety of resources all at one location. The events continue to be popular with students. The Extreme Registration event held in December was a success showing an increase of students served. The Fresno City College student ambassadors and staff worked one-on-one with the new students and prepared them for the first day of classes on January 8. These events continue to result in an increase of registered students and an increase of FTES for the college.

FLEX DAY ACTIVITIES

On Friday, January 5, there was a packed schedule for Flex Day presentations that included Promoting Student Success and Equity, Innovations in Teaching and Learning, Culture, Community and Society along with a Poster Presentation, LGBTQ Cultural Competence Training, Guided Pathways, Building Better Digital Presentations, Ram Pantry Update, Curriculum Training, Outcomes and Assessments Workshops with several sessions on DSP&S topics and online training.

STAFF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Association of California Nurse Leaders have selected Dr. Stephanie Robinson, Director of Nursing, for the Excellence in Leadership award. Each year, ACNL recognizes nurse leaders for excellence in nursing leadership and advancement of clinical practice. Dr. Robinson will receive her award on February 6 in Monterey.

The California Alliance for Jazz has voted to honor Mike Dana for his years of service and dedication to the world of music and Jazz. Mike is being awarded with a "CAJ Hall of Fame" award to be presented during the California All-State Music Education Conference February 15-18 in San Jose. The awards ceremony takes place on stage during the all-state jazz concert on Friday, February 16th.

WELCOME WEEK

The FCC Associated Student Government, Student Activities Office and Technology Support Services will host Welcome Week for students during the first week of classes. The Welcome Week booth will be setup in the main fountain area Jan. 8-9 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Jan. 10-11 from 7am to 4pm and Jan. 12 from 8am to 12pm. Welcome Week provides students with location and directions to their classes, connecting smart devices to the campus Wi-Fi, assisting students with activating their student email account, and providing brief tutorials on WebAdvisor and Canvas services.

WRESTLING STATE CHAMPIONSHIP



For the second season in a row, the FCC Wrestling Team outlasted all other colleges, as they amassed 184 team points to win the CCCAA State Wrestling Championship at San Joaquin Delta College. The state title by the Rams was their state record 15th CCCAA Team State Championship, marking the 10th year in a row they finished in at least the top three in the team scoring. The championship round saw six Fresno wrestlers appearing with the team winning the first four weight classifications.

MEN'S SOCCER WINS FIRST STATE CHAMPIONSHIP



The memory of losing on penalty kicks in last year's state championship game provided the fuel for the returning FCC players in 2017, who delivered the school's first-ever California Community College Men's Soccer Championship on the morning of December 3 at American River College with a 2-0 win over Taft College. Tournament MVP Johnny Rodriguez scored in the 13th minute to give Fresno a quick 1-0 lead while Matheus Araujo was good in the 74th for the second score. They finish their season 18-1-6.

WOMEN'S SOCCER CAPTURE STATE TITLE



A few hours after the Fresno City College men's soccer team won its first state championship, the Ram women added one of their own to beat previously unbeaten Santa Barbara City College, 2-1, to complete an undefeated season. The Rams, which got goals from Sophia Zertuche in the 58th minute and Taylor Alkire in the 78th, as well as a key penalty kick save from tournament MVP Riana Castaneda, finished its magical season with a 25-0-2 record.

VOLLEYBALL PLAYER AWARDED

Makayla Cervantes was recognized in December at the State Volleyball banquet receiving 1st Team All-Conference and All-American Honors. Teammates Katie Emmerling and Ally Cooper were also named to 1st Team.

WOMEN'S SOCCER COACHING STAFF NATIONALLY HONORED

The United Soccer Coaches have named the FCC Women's Coaching Staff as the 2017 Junior College Women's Division III National Staff of the Year. The award will be presented at their annual Awards Banquet, Friday, January 19, in Philadelphia, in conjunction with the 71st United Soccer Coaches Convention. They were also named the 2017 Women's California Region Staff of the Year for Division III Institutions.

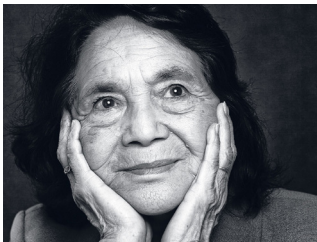
SOCCER PLAYER NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED

Johnny Rodriguez was named the 2017 National Soccer Player of the Year and the Player of the Month for November as he helped FCC claim its first-ever California Community College Athletic Association championship at American River College. His play throughout November and the first couple of days in December led the Rams to the top seed in the Northern California Regional Playoffs and their subsequent state championship.

SPEAKERS FORUMS SLATED FOR SPRING



The lineup is taking shape for the upcoming Spring 2018 Speakers Forum program. Two speakers have been scheduled and negotiations are underway for additional presentations. The two that are confirmed are Scott Dikkers, founder of the news satire organization, The Onion. Scott will speak on February 6 at 11 a.m. On March 23, we will host UFW co-founder Dolores Huerta and present a screening of the new documentary "Dolores" beginning at 6:30 p.m. The screening, which is in partnership with



ValleyPBS, will be followed by a Q&A with Ms. Huerta. Both events will be held in the OAB Auditorium.

CLUB RUSH SLATED FOR JANUARY

Besides going to class this semester, students can also learn how to get involved with campus clubs at the first Club Rush of the semester on Wednesday, January 24th. All the clubs will have representatives on the University Mall to give out information to prospective club members.

VOLUNTEER FAIR

There are many ways students can get involved in the community this semester through volunteering. A number of local agencies will be on hand at the Spring Volunteer Fair on Tuesday, January 23rd. The agencies will be set up in the Main Cafeteria to discuss with students the many volunteer opportunities and needs for help in our area.

STUDENT APPRECIATION WEEK



Student Appreciation Week is Tuesday, January 23rd to Thursday, January 25th. Each day, a different event will take place to show students our appreciation in their decision to choose Fresno City College for their higher education. There will be special activities and free goodies available on the University Mall.

INTERFAITH SCHOLAR WEEKEND

"Just Sustainability, Religion, Pluralism, and Care for Our Common Home" is the focus and theme for the Interfaith Scholar Weekend January 19-21. Dr. Christiana Zenner Peppard, associate professor of Theology, Science and Ethics from Fordham University, is the featured speaker. FCC is a sponsor of this year's event.

ANNUAL BASEBALL DINNER SET

The FCC 30th Annual Baseball Dinner will be held on Saturday, January 20th at the Ernest Valdez Hall in the Fresno Convention Center at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$125 per couple or a table of ten is \$625.00.

SOFTBALL DINNER



The Hall of Fame Dinner, Dance and Silent Auction for Women's Softball is scheduled for January 26th. The fundraiser will be held at Pardini's on Shaw Avenue. Doors open at 6 p.m., dinner at 7. Tickets are \$40 each. The spring 2018 season begins February 1st with a home game against Bakersfield.