

### ACCREDITATION REPORT

Fresno City College enjoyed a successful March 5-8 site visit. The visiting team spent several days interviewing faculty and staff, as well as observing the college in action. In its exit report, the team commended the college for its strong local partnerships with local business, industry, and K-12. The team also encouraged the college to continue its close examination of infrastructure to support a college of its size. The Commission's final determination will be announced in June. All those involved in the self-evaluation process and site visit met downtown on March 23 to debrief the site visit and maintain the momentum of the self-evaluation process.

### WOMAN OF THE YEAR



President Carole Goldsmith was selected by the Fresno City Council President Esmeralda Soria as the 2018 Woman of the Year for District 1. The annual event was held at City Hall on March 22 in the Council Chambers.

### SMITTCAMP HISTORY WALL

On April 12, the Smittcamp Family Foundation History wall will be unveiled in the OAB lobby. The permanent exhibit is a historic timeline of FCC and Fresno State. Fresno State President, Dr. Joseph Castro will also be giving the original OAB plaque from 1916 back to the college.

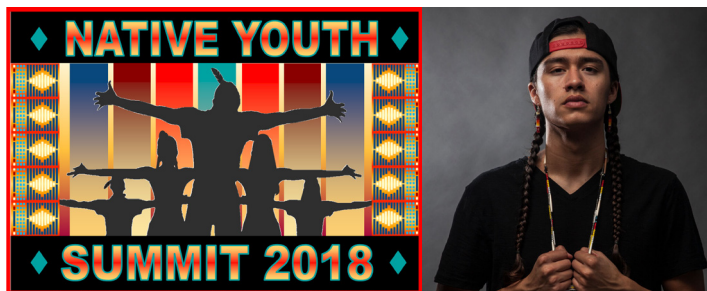
### UCLA WORKSHOPS

On April 24th, UCLA representatives will be presenting transfer workshops at FCC. The morning session will be for counselors and an afternoon workshop will be specifically for AB540 students covering the resources available to them at the UC. A general workshop for all transfer students is also scheduled for all Region V community colleges at this event.

### PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

A series of Facilities Master Planning meetings with Darden Architects have taken place in March with faculty, staff, students and the general public. Two additional meetings will be held on April 5 and 18 to discuss campus needs, goals and feedback.

### NATIVE AMERICAN YOUTH SUMMIT



Fresno City College is collaborating with North Fork Rancheria of Mono Indians in putting together a Native American Youth Summit on April 6, 2018. The summit is free to all participants. Workshops will be led by Indigenous Enterprise, a Native American dance group known for their cultural creativity and leadership throughout Native America. Frank Waln, an Indigenous American (Sicangu Lakota) rapper is the keynote speaker and will perform that evening.

### CENTER FOR URBAN EDUCATION RETREAT

On Tuesday, April 10, a leadership retreat will be held as part of the current collaborative project with the Center for Urban Education (CUE). The goal of the meeting is to collaboratively select a series of "Change Lab" topics that will provide the campus with specific tools to enhance equity at FCC.

### CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION SUMMIT

The CTE Summit is a free event co-sponsored by FCC and is open to students, parents, businesses, educators and city/community leaders. The summit is scheduled for April 19 at Duncan Polytechnical School. Duncan's Open House is at 4 PM and the CTE Summit is from 5:30 to 7:30 PM.

### ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETINGS SLATED

On Thursday, April 26, over 200 industry and community leaders will meet with faculty from more than 25 of our Career Technical Education programs at the annual advisory meeting. The event will be held in the OAB West Courtyard, with a networking activity and appetizers created by our culinary students and dinner prepared by Fire Academy students.

### **CHICANO YOUTH CONFERENCE**

The M.E.Ch.A Student Club will hold their annual conference on April 21 in the Old Administration Building from 8:00AM – 3:00PM. Activities will include art displays, music, dance and other cultural presentations and workshops. The event is free and open to students and their parents.

### **LITHOP 2018**

The third annual LitHop will be held on April 21 throughout the Tower District, ending with keynote speaker, Randa Jarrar, in the FCC Old Administration Building Auditorium. Conceptualized as an annual event by former Fresno Poet Laureate and FCC English instructor Lee Herrick, LitHop began in 2016 as a fundraiser for Fresno Arts Council poetry programs. There will be 40 events that will feature over 150 writers from across the country. This year, the event has expanded to showcase 151 writers across 42 separate readings many of whom are FCC alumni or instructors.

### **DISTRICT CHORAL CONCERT**

A special choral concert directed by FCC music instructor Julie Dana and Reedley College music instructor Dr. Harmony Murphy will be held on Sunday, April 8 at 2:00PM in the OAB Auditorium. This event is free and donations will be accepted at the door.

### **CITY DANCE**

City Dance is celebrating 60 years of performances on April 19, 20, and 21 in the FCC Theatre. Dance instructor, Jimmy Hao, who is the artistic director, will have students perform a variety of ensembles from classical to modern dance.

### **GUITAR SUMMIT**

The third annual Central Valley Guitar Summit is slated for Friday, April 13, and will showcase the talents of young guitarists from across the valley. It will culminate with a solo concert by the Jose Antonio Rodriguez Trio and the FCC Guitar Ensemble, at 7:30PM in the Old Administration Building Auditorium. A special pre-concert reception will be held in OAB 251 at 6:00PM.

### **POLICE ACADEMY CLASS #149**

The FCC Police Academy graduation will be held on April 5 in the OAB Auditorium and will have 36 cadets participate, 18 of whom have been hired by law enforcement agencies. The graduates have successfully passed all segments of a very rigorous curriculum in over 42 topical areas that included criminal law, investigations, patrol and juvenile procedures, vehicle operations, traffic, emergency management, first aid, professionalism and ethics, physical training, and many other related subjects.

### **RETIREE BRUNCH**

A brunch honoring retirees will be held in OAB 251 on Friday, April 27, from 10:30AM – 12:00PM. The event will honor 26 FCC and SCCC employees who are retiring from their service to the college and district.

### **COLLEGE COLLOQUIUM**

The FCC Campus Community Colloquium will present, *How did Christianity Triumph?*, with a critical review of Bart Ehrman's new book. The discussion will be led by philosophy instructor, Wendell Stephenson, on April 4 from 5:00 – 6:30PM in SO 110.

### **WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT SUMMIT**

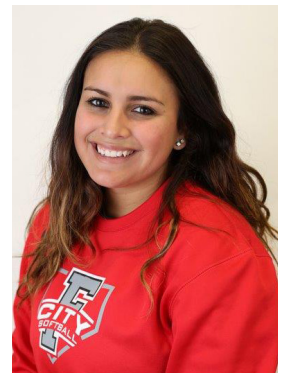
The California Latino Leadership Institute along with Fresno City Councilmember Esmeralda Soria, Californians for Energy Independence and Fresno City College held a women's summit for STEM high school and college students on March 17. The day-long event concluded with an awards luncheon in the cafeteria.

### **ASIAN AMERICAN MONTH**

April is Asian American Month and there are 14 events scheduled throughout the month. The first week will feature a panel discussion on Comparative Analysis of Native American and Chinese Values and the Japanese American Internment. The Celebration Night Show on Friday, April 6 at 7PM showcases the many talents of our students. Other events include a reading of 88 Poems by John Cho, workshops, a film festival and the very popular AsianFest on Saturday, April 28 will close the Year of the Dog celebration.

### **PITCHER OF THE WEEK**

FCC Sophomore pitcher Anisah Navarro was named Pitcher of the Week by the California Community College Athletic Association on March 14. Navarro was 2-0 on the week, winning both of her appearances. Navarro struck out eight on the week, and didn't give up any runs. In the batter's box, Navarro went 4-for-11, scored a pair of runs, and drove in an RBI. Navarro is from Selma where she attended Selma High School.



### **TORCH OF EXCELLENCE**

200 FCC student athletes with a 3.0 grade point average or above will be recognized at this year's Kiwanis Torch of Excellence Banquet on April 30. Sixty-four of the student athletes have a GPA of 3.5 or higher. The event is being held at the Clovis Veterans Memorial District Building.