



Greetings and happy 2020! I hope you enjoyed a joyous holiday season, making fond memories with family and friends, with a little relaxation thrown in!

As we begin the new year and decade, let's embrace new beginnings. Achieve goals and ambitions. Dream big. But most importantly, let's be happy with what we have while working for what we want.

This year, we have many Foundation goals and objectives to achieve. We look forward to sharing our progress with you. Thank you for being part of this journey with us, as we continue to support the many dynamic students and programs

of El Camino College.

Welcome to the new "Roaring Twenties"!

Andrea Sala

Executive Director

Alumni Spotlight: Leia Yen

Congratulations to El Camino College alumna, Presidential Scholar, and former forensics team member Leia Yen, who recently won the prestigious Marshall Scholarship after an extremely intensive application process. After El Camino, Yen transferred to UCLA and graduated summa cum laude with multiple academic honors.

Read more about [Yen's impressive background](#).



Student Spotlight: Juan Polanco



Juan Polanco grew up in Inglewood, near the El Camino College Fire Academy and a fire station. After graduating from high school, Juan served for five years in the U.S. Marines and is now a fire and emergency technology major at El Camino College.

Thank you for your service, Juan! Please read more about [Juan's journey](#).

Academic Spotlight: Nurse Pinning Ceremony

El Camino College held its fall 2019 Nursing Pinning Ceremony on December 13th, honoring students who completed their associate of science degree in nursing. The traditional ceremony recognized the hard work and determination of this year's graduates. Congratulations to our future RN's!



Athletic Spotlight: Student Athlete Honors

Congratulations to Robert Ferrel and Victor Arteaga for being named to the [All-Region Teams](#). Ferrel was also named to the All-American team.



Accolades are also in order for the men's soccer team as Melvyn Perez-Cortez and Oliver Diaz were both named to the [CCCSCA All-Region Team](#). Perez-Cortez was also named to the All-State Team.



Foundation Spotlight: ECCF Board of Directors



Nilo Michelin



Kenneth Brown

Please welcome El Camino Community College District Board Trustee, Nilo Michelin, as the Foundation's new Board of Trustees Representative. Outgoing representative, Kenneth Brown, will serve as the new ECCCD Board of Trustees Vice President. Both Michelin and Brown were appointed to their new roles on December 16th. We truly enjoyed working with Trustee Brown and look forward to a productive year with Trustee Michelin. Thank you for your service to our students!

Want to meet our other fearless leaders? The [El Camino College Foundation's 2019 -2020 Board of Directors](#) are hard-working individuals who volunteer their time and resources to advance the mission of El Camino College and the El Camino College Foundation.

Department Spotlight: Center for the Arts



Visit our website to view the full [Center for the Arts](#) spring schedule and to purchase tickets.

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