

BUSINESS SERVICES





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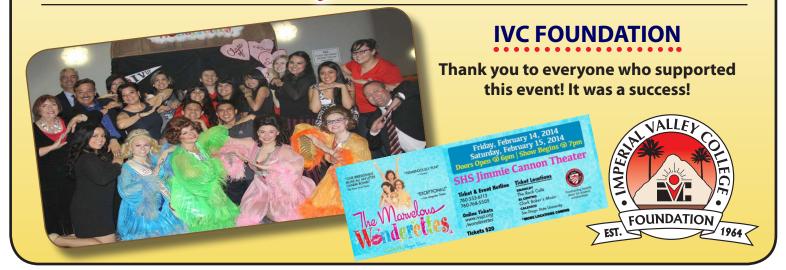


Mr. Ricardo Jimenez

ACADEMIC SERVICES

I want to congratulate our part-time electrical instructor Mr. Ricardo Jimenez for his recent article in the December 5 edition of Electronic Design magazine. His article under the section "ideas for design" entitled "Microcontroller Solves Complex Temperature Polynomial Equations" won the best idea for design of 2013.

Congratulations Ricardo!



California

STATE UPDATE

- Community College Baccalaureate: The chancellor is seeking to involve the Board of Governors in the conversation regarding the bill by Senator Marty Block as well as have further conversations with the UC and CSU. "Simply believing this is in the best interest of our system will not make it happen," the Chancellor has noted. "We must work within the political environment to ensure that any proposal is approved in the Legislature and signed by the Governor."
- Associate Degrees for Transfer: The Chancellor has reinforced the fact that the Board of Governors is committed to reaching 100 percent in 2014. Systemwide, we are now at 66 percent of the goal and Imperial Valley College is at 71 percent.
- UC/CSU/Community College Partnership: UC President Napolitano, CSU Chancellor White and Chancellor Harris have had several joint appearances in recent weeks to talk about a new level of cooperation between the three systems of California Higher Education. The message is one of working together to ease transfer, make outreach into middle schools more robust, and seek ways to work together to save taxpayer dollars.
- State Budget: This promises to be a very good year for funding of our system. However, we must fight to be sure the amount of money the Governor has recommended goes to our system --along with any proportionate increases that may come with the May budget revision-remain in the final signed budget. As we know, there are many other services and units of California government that were not as well treated in the Governor's proposal for 2014-2015.
- State Audit of Accreditation: The Bureau of State Audits is conducting a review of accreditation in the California community colleges at the request of the Legislature. The Chancellor's office has provided auditors a listing of our colleges and their current accreditation status (as of July 2013), and a chronology of any interventions from the Board of Governors that included a Special Trustee.
- Faculty Obligation Number: At the most recent meeting of the Chancellor's Consultation Council, the issue of the Faculty Obligation Number (FON) was placed on the agenda. The concerns expressed about the FON at the meeting are not new ones. This number was originally set at a point in time back in the 1980s based on where each college was at the time the FON came into existence. There are many who feel that the number is inherently unfair and should therefore be modified.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

- **February 28-March 9:** California Mid-Winter Fair. IVC will again have a booth in the Preble Building.
- March 1: Imperial Valley Symphony Concert, 7:30 p.m.,
 Jimmie Cannon Theatre at Southwest High School 2001 Ocotillo Drive, El Centro
- March 7: "Good Morning Brawley" Mayor's Breakfast & State of the City Address, 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Stockmen's Club of Imperial Valley, 275 Marjorie Ave. Brawley

February & March Events

March 12-14: IVEDC's 7th Annual Renewable Energy Summit, Quechan Casino & Resort, 525 Algodones Rd., Winterhaven



REMINDER: Board Retreat on Saturday, March 15, 2014 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.