The largest class in the 109-year history of Fresno City College graduated on Friday, May 24, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. at Selland Arena.

The Class of 2019 includes 1,946 graduates who will receive an Associate in Arts or an Associate in Science degree. That's an 18.4 percent increase over last year. Since 2016, the number of graduates has increased each year with 1,385 in 2016, 1,460 in 2017, 1,643 in 2018 and 1,946 this year.

The number of certificates awarded this year also increased over 2018. There is a more than 20 percent increase in certificates from 2,062 last year to 2,478 this year. The Certificate Recognition Ceremony was held last Friday, May 17, 2019.

Included in the Class of 2019 are the nine Dean's Medallion Recipients who were chosen by the deans in each of the college's divisions.

*Three of the eight students who were awarded the 2019 Deans Medal of Excellence (Mando Manfredonia, Donald E. Murphy and Victoria L. Rocha) are formerly incarcerated students. The President's Medal of Distinction also went to one of our formerly incarcerated students.*
Ms. Rocha was also awarded the Tony Cantu President’s Medallion established in memory of the college's past president. Current president, Dr. Carole Goldsmith, determined the recipient.

In the spring 2019 semester, FCC served 109 documented formerly incarcerated students. Services included one-on-one academic counseling sessions, academic advising and social development through the formation of the new student club, All of Us or None of Us.

According to our data, the majority of formerly incarcerated students at FCC take full time class loads and carry an average GPA of 2.4. Fresno City College is proud of the groundbreaking work underway with the formerly incarcerated students and expects many more success stories to come!