

## MCRPA Member Spotlight Question Bank March 2021

### **Hoa Nguyen**



#### **How long have you worked at Montgomery College, and what is your current role?**

I came to MC in the Fall of 2018. This is my 3rd year teaching Economics on Rockville campus.

#### **What is your favorite thing about working at MC?**

My students' desire to learn and maturity level. They inspire me everyday with their life stories, determination and work ethic. It is never a dull moment working with them.

#### **How long have you been in your current profession?**

I've been an assistant professor of Economics for more than 5 years. I taught at University of Arizona and Allegheny College in Pennsylvania before coming

to the DMV area with my family.

#### **How do you define success? What does success look like?**

Success to me means I can afford to be with my family whenever they need me to while pursuing my professional development as a professor of Economics.

#### **What are you currently passionate about?**

I'm currently passionate about day trading. We have an Investment Club on campus where students can do trading with fake money. It is a good practice for anyone who wants to do stock investment in the future. I want to become the club's advisor someday.

#### **What is one goal you hope to achieve this year?**

Helping my students understand economics as much as possible. During a chaotic time like this, it is important to understand markets and economic policies because they might have significant impacts on our lives.

#### **What is your favorite quote?**

There is no such thing as a free lunch.

**What hobby would you get into if time and money were not an issue?**

Travelling and eating all the best food around the world. I have been to more than 15 countries and still counting!

**They say that everyone has a book in them. What would be the title of your book?**

“Forrest Gump”. Call that my “imposter syndrome” but I always feel so lucky to be where I am, doing what I do and being with my beloved husband.

**Who has impressed you most with what they’ve accomplished?**

Barack Obama. I have read all of his books. He is not just a good person but a great president and author, while still stays real and relatable.