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PCC & PNCC Sign Memorandum of Understanding



PCC Dean Sherman Daniel, Director Marie Anderson-Nabeyama, Vice President Olegeriil, PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, PNCC Board member Jennifer Sugiyama, CEO Leo Ben Teriong, Sales & Marketing Senior Manager Silwai Silas, Chairman Norman Ngiratecheboet, Vice Chairman Bradley Kumangai, and CFO Robert Ramarui

On Wednesday, October 7, 2020 Palau Community College (PCC) and Palau National Communications Corporation (PNCC) signed a bilateral Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) at PCC Assembly Hall. The purpose of this MOU is to clearly identify the roles and responsibilities of each organization as they work together to provide a scholarship program to second year Palauan students enrolled at PCC who are about to graduate with their Associate of Science or Associate of Applied Science degree. It is also intention of this agreement to enhance opportunities for students to finish their program of study and enter the workforce, reduce the costs of education, and to ensure that PCC develop and produce qualified Palauans ready to enter workforce. PNCC believes that partnership with PCC can ensure that its human assets are competent and qualified to meet the demand of today's robust technologies.

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PCC Financial Aid Orientation 2 Sessions



Consulting Director Katosang during financial aid orientation

Consulting Director of Financial Aid, Ms. Dahlia M. Katosang and staff conducted a total of eight Financial Aid Orientation 2 sessions from October 5 -8, 2020 at the Assembly Hall for new and continuing students. During the sessions, Director Katosang discussed Federal Student Aid programs eligibility requirements, policies and regulations, financial aid agreement and academic year financial aid award. Over 90% of students attended the sessions in groups as well as receive their award letter. Director Katosang reiterated that "we will continue to reach out to the remaining students who did not attend the session and offer assistance to them". For more information, contact the Office of Financial Aid at (680)488-4270/2471, ext. 235 or via email at dahliapcc@palau-net.com

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Moreover, PNCC will allocate \$4,000.00 of its donation fund to PCC scholarship program. Interested Palauan students majoring in Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Technology, Automotive Mechanics Technology, Business Accounting and Business Administration, Construction Technology, Electrical Technology, General Electronics Technology, Information Technology, Office Administration, Small Engine & Outboard Marine Technology, and Tourism & Hospitality program are eligible to apply for this scholarship. On hand to witness the signing of MOU were PNCC Chairman Norman Ngiratecheboet, Board Member Jennifer Sugiyama, Vice Chairman Bradley Kumangai, Chief Executive Officer Leo Ben Teriong, CFO Robert Ramarui, Sales & Marketing Senior Manager Silwai Silas, Public Information Officer Heflin Bai and PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Vice President Jay Olegeriil, Dean of Students Sherman Daniel, and Director of Human Resources Marie Anderson-Nabeyama.

AGRICULTURE LAB & TALENT SEARCH UNDERGO FACELIFT



Agriculture Lab and Talent Search storage room

PCC Agricultural laboratory and Educational Talent Search storage room undergo minor renovation including new painting.

PCC CRE STAFF CONDUCTED FOLLOW-UP VISIT TO A MANGROVE CRAB FARM IN AIRAI

Contributed by Miguel Delos Santos



Aquaculture Researcher and Iechad ra Odelomel Risao Rechirei monitoring mangrove crab farm in Airai

Two months after stocking 250 crab juveniles at the ORC Mangrove Crab Farm in Airai, PCC Aquaculture Researcher Miguel Delos Santos and Extension Agent Leilani Rechelluul visited the farm on October 7, 2020 to evaluate and monitor the status of the crabs that are being grown. During the visit, Iechad ra Odelomel Risao Rechirei who is the caretaker of the farm happily reported that the crabs inside the farm were growing well and he could see a lot of them showing up inside the crab pen at night. This was confirmed when six crabs (3 to 5 inches in carapace width CW) were found crawling inside the farm during the visit. “I am very happy to see plenty crabs coming out when I use flashlight to check them at night”, Iechad ra Odelomel said while pointing the location where crabs always gather.

Aside from doing the follow-up visit, PCC-CRE staff also demonstrated how to conduct inventory of crablets that were stocked in a temporary nursery cage last September 11, 2020. Out of 1,000 crablets that were released, a total of 380 juveniles (1/2 to 2 inches in CW) were recovered. Fifty-two 1 to 2 inches sized crablets were released to the grow-out area while the remaining smaller crablets were put back to the nursery cages.

BITS AND PIECES...

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

Hours of Operation

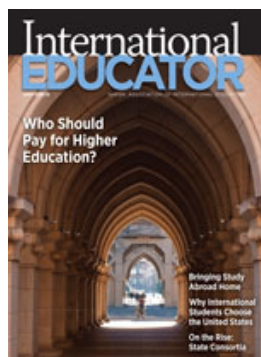
August 24 - November 27, 2020

Monday to Thursday	7:30AM - 7PM
Friday	8AM - 5PM
Saturday	9AM - 6PM
Sunday	CLOSED

For more information, call:
488-3540.

AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS:

International Educator



International education advances learning and scholarship; builds understanding and respect among different peoples; and enhances constructive leadership in the global community. NAFSA and its members believe that international education is fundamental to fostering peace, security, and well-being.

Academic Calendar

October 21, 2020

Last Day to Remove Incomplete Grades for
Summer 2020

News/Stories Wanted

Mesekiu's News welcomes stories/articles/announcements from students, faculty, and staff. Submission deadline is Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in hard and/or electronic copies to tchuziet@palau.edu or tchuziet@gmail.com.

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcomed.

Please call 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251, 252, or 253) for more information.

PCC Financial Aid Office Special Bulletin

Office of the President

CARES Act Report and Disclosure
As of October 5, 2020
45-Days (Quarterly) Fund Report



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1. An acknowledgement that the institution signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used, or intends to use, no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

The Palau Community College PCC acknowledges that it signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education the Certification and Agreement on April 30, 2020, and gives the assurance that PCC intends to use no less than 50% of the funds received under section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

2. The total amount of funds that the institution will receive or has received from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grant to Students.

The total amount of funds PCC, as a part of the CARES Act, received on May 21, 2020 from U.S. Department for Emergency Financial Aid Grant to Students is \$379,745.

3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the 30-day Report and every 45 days thereafter).

As of August 6, 2020, a total of \$101,353.00 of Emergency Financial Aid Grants has been distributed to students under section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act. Starting October 8, 2020, a total of \$116,832.00 of Emergency Financial Aid Grants will be distributed to students under section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act. Therefore, the overall amount distributed to students will be \$379,745.00.

4. The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act

The 50% of the funds received under section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students in the amount of \$379,745 will be allocated and distributed to students as of October 8, 2020.

5. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

As of October 8, 2020, a total number of students who received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is 1035.

6. The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act

PCC used the following methods to determine which students will be eligible to receive the Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

- a. Based on guidance from the US Department of Education, PCC determined that all students who are eligible for Title IV aid and not enrolled in a fully online degree programs are eligible to receive a CARES Financial Aid Grants. Eligibility criteria to receive Title IV funds include but are not limited to the following:

- Be enrolled in a degree or certificate in an eligible program;
- Be a U.S. citizen or an eligible noncitizen;
- Have a valid Social Security number;
- Be registered for Selective Service (if male; age 18-25);
- Have a high school diploma, or its equivalent (such as GED/HISET);
- Not in default on a federal student loan;
- Not owe money on a federal student grant;
- Be maintaining Satisfactory Academic Progress

- b. Distribution of the CARES ACT grant funds to students was based on the available funding of \$116,832 and the number of eligible students (444 students) enrolled in Fall Semester 2020. Distribution of funds were equally distributed by the number of eligible students.

- c. Each eligible student will receive the CARES Act financial aid grants of \$263.

- d. Checks that are not picked up after 14 days will be mailed to students at the address listed on their student record.

7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

Students were informed that these funds are to be used for those additional costs of attendance which are related to the disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19 such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child care.

PCC students were notified of the availability of CARES Act concerning Emergency Financial Aid Grant through the institutional primary website, college Facebook page and campus bulletin boards.

Eligible students were informed to pick up their CARES checks at the Business Office, Student Account section, starting on October 8, 2020. Checks that are not picked up after fourteen (14) days will be mailed to students at the address listed on their student record.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick U. Tellei, EdD
President of Palau Community College

CC: Vice President Jay Olegerii
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VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (1) Vice President Cooperative Research & Extension
(PCC Cooperative Research & Extension Office)
depending on qualifications & hrs,
salary ranges from \$21,911 - \$38,911 per annum
- (2) Director of Research and Development
(PCC Cooperative Research & Extension Office)
depending on qualifications & hrs,
salary ranges from \$18,730 - \$33,262 per annum
- (3) Computer Technician
(Computer Service Office)
depending on qualifications & hrs,
salary ranges from \$13,081 - \$23,230 per annum
- (4) Field Assistant (2)
(PCC CRE Multi-species Hatchery)
depending on qualifications & hrs,
salary ranges from \$7,800 - \$13,852 per annum
- (5) Extension Agent
(PCC Cooperative Research & Extension Program)
depending on qualifications & hrs,
salary ranges from \$11,010 - \$800 biweekly
- (6) Admissions Counselor (2)
(PCC Student Services Division-Registrar)
salary range: \$15,542 - \$27,600 per annum
- (7) Social Science/Humanities-Instructor
(PCC Education and Training Department/
Academic Affairs Division) depending on
qualifications and work experience
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (8) Director of Library Services
(Administration)
salary range: \$18,730 - \$33,262 per annum
- (9) Construction Technology Instructor
(PCC Education and Training Department/
Academic Affairs Division) depending on qualifications
& work experience
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (10) Instructor Assistant - Construction Technology
(PCC Education and Training Department/
Academic Affairs Division) depending on
qualifications and work experience
salary range: \$12,653.00 - \$22,349 per annum

Celebrating Birthday October 10 -18, 2020



Sherman Daniel



Ligaya Sara



Rogelio Santos



Marianne Temaungil



Shu Yun Tsai

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT CONT'

- (11) Instructional Assistant - Small Engine
PCC Education and Training Department/
Academic Affairs Division) depending on
qualifications and work experience
salary range: \$12,653.00 - \$22,349 per annum
- (12) Instructor Assistant - Math
PCC Education and Training Department/
Academic Affairs Division) depending on
qualifications and work experience
salary range: \$600 - \$800 biweekly
- (13) Instructor Assistant - English
PCC Education and Training Department/
Academic Affairs Division) depending on
qualifications and work experience
\$600 - \$800 biweekly

For application forms and information, contact Harline Haruo at the PCC
Human Resources Office at 488-2470/2471 extension 227, or e-mail:
hr@palau.edu, or download forms at <http://pcc.palau.edu>.

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ALUMNI NOTES

BONIFACIO NGIRAIWET
GENERAL OFFICE CLERK 1984



Bonifacio Ngiraiwet is a graduate of Palau Community College in 1984 with the Certificate of Achievement in General Office Clerk. He is currently employed as Airport Security with Ministry of Public Infrastructure, Industries & Commerce



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ALUMNI

showcases MOC & PCC alumni who are positive role models and contribute to the quality of life in their local communities.

If you are that Alumna/Alumnus or know someone who is, please contact the PCC Development Office at telephone numbers 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251, 252, or 253).

We would like to feature you in future *Mesekiu's News* issues.

Show your support for the 2020 PCC Thanksgiving Endowment Fundraising Event by purchasing a \$10 Raffle Ticket! Your support will help Palau's only institution of higher learning continue to provide the much needed academic programs & training that will help sustain the future of our island workforce.

2020 PCC Thanksgiving Endowment Fundraising Event
will take place on **Wednesday, November 25, 2020**
from **11AM - 5PM** at the
PCC Mesekiu Bai

For more information about the fundraiser, please contact the PCC Development Office at (tel): 488-2470/2471 ext. 251, 252, or 253. You may also contact the PCC Director of Development Tchuzie Tadao at (email): tchuziet@palau.edu or tchuziet@gmail.com.



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