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Palau Community College

MESEKIU'S NEWS



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Weekly Newsletter

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PCC EMS & IT STUDENT ATTENDS IOA-LSAMP ANNUAL CONFERENCE



l to r: Derrick D. Alexander, Alik K. Ulechong, EMS Instructor Rilang Roberto, and Dr. Joseph Genz

In July of this year, PCC Environmental/Marine Science and Information Technology students and Science Instructor Rilang Roberto attended the Island of Opportunity-Louis Stokes Alliances for Minority Participation (IOA-LSAMP) Conference in Guam. IOA-LSAMP grant held annual summer conference every year to showcase student's research work. The grant is on its 4th year of a 5-year cycle and the University of Guam hosted the conference. The students, campus coordinators and their respective institutional leaders from 11 participating colleges and universities (US affiliated institutions) participated virtually and in person, making it first time to do hybrid conference on ZOOM. At the event, prerecorded research project presentations were played following a 5 minutes Q&A from the audience.. IOA-LSAMP main goal is to recruit and retain students in STEM majors and other related sciences to complete a two-year college and transitioned to Bachelor

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PCC Attends Civic Action Team Change of Charge Ceremony



Civic Action Team 133-30



Civic Action Team 84-08

On Monday, August 01 2022, Palau Community College Executive Assistant to the President and Director of Development attended a Civic Action Team (CAT) Change of Charge Ceremony at Chamayong Cultural Center.

The ceremony was to formally relieved the CAT 133-30 and officially welcome CAT 84-08 to continue the work of previous Civic Action Team. Present to grace the occasion were distinguished guests Republic of Palau President's Office Chief of Staff Landisang Kotaro, Charge'd Affaires of U.S. to the Embassy of Palau Andrew McClaine, Australian Ambassador Rechelle Turner, ROC-Taiwan Ambassador Jessica Lee, and U.S. Armed Forces Veterans Association President Gregorio Ngirmang and officers.

PCC CRE Multispecies Hatchery Ongoing Projects



*Richard Page
Aquaculturist*



*Dr. Christopher Kitalong
Vice President CRE*

The Palau Community College Cooperative Research & Extension's Multispecies Hatchery in Ngeremlengui State is in the process of maintaining and monitoring land crab project that has minimal cost to interested locals in the community. This week, Aquaculturist Page will survey the nonprofit organization Angel Center for the possibility of having a land crab project. Vice President Dr. Kitalong and Aquaculturist Richard Page are also writing a field guide manual for sea cucumbers. The document discusses unique role sea cucumbers play in the traditional Palauan diet, and how it can be translated into local recipes and specialty items for hotels.

PCC Library Staff Bid Farewell to Ms. Osisang Chilton



front row l to r: Acting Director Pioria Asito, Osisang Chilton, Grace Merong, back row: Helston Haleyalib, Dizzete D. Felix, Nikita Adachi, Mary Banphis, Tanya Ngirkuteling, and Raven Kloulubak

On Friday, July 29, 2022 Palau Community College library staff and Acting Director Pioria Asito bid farewell to Ms. Osisang Chilton who will be departing to attend University of Guam in pursuit of her degree program in Civil Engineering. Ms. Chilton has been working at the college library since May 2021. Thank you Ms. Chilton for your service and wish you all the best on your educational endeavor.

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and Master program with emphasis of professional careers in STEM. With the reality that the Pacific Island indigenous population are under-represented in STEM professional careers, the grant objective is to fill that cap. It funds activities for emerging future scientist to be engaged and exposed in various activities to includes paid work study, peer mentorship, participating or presenting in academic conferences. At PCC, the Science Club is serving alongside with Learning Community named MESEKIU where students in STEM, IT, AG and EMS formed a working group to foster the sense of belonging and support for their academic and social pursuit. This is another vital objective in the LSAMP grant that these programs campus are doing.

Thanks to Associate Professor and Science Chair Vernice Yuji along with IT Associate Professor Johvanna Yoach for selecting students and instructor to represent PCC programs on this five-day trip to Guam.

Students selected to attend the conference were Alik Kazuma Ulechong, an IT major, who presented a research on "Freely Navigating Sea of Data with R" while Derrick Dims Alexander presented his research on "How Climate Change Impact Palau's Marine Ecosystem". Mr Ulechong recently participated and complete the SPICE Data program and Mr. Derrick have been working as lab assistance for two years.

Both students worked hard on their project and presented well. We are proud of their achievements and we hope next year will have students again to represent the college at the annual conference in UH-Hilo campus.

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

PCC Library is offering an Overdue Fines Amnesty Program from August 1st to September 2nd, 2022. Your accrued fines will be forgiven if you return all overdue materials (books, DVDs, etc.) back to the library and have your account cleaned out to ZERO. This is also your opportunity to re-activate your library account with us. If you have any questions, please call PCC Library @ 488-3540.

BITS AND PIECES...

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

Hours of Operation

Monday to Friday 8:00AM - 5:00PM

Saturday, Sunday & National Holidays CLOSED

For more information, call:
488-3540.

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Academic Calendar

August 4 (Thu)

New Student Orientation

August 11-12 (Thu-F)

Late Registration

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 welcome.

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

Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC), the Commission Third-Party Comment

A third-party comment assists the Commission as it considers applications for candidacy, accreditation, or reaffirmation of accreditation. When an institution is undergoing a review, the Commission requires the institution's chief executive officer to notify the campus community and public of the opportunity for submission of third-party comments and the process for doing so. Any member of the college community or public may submit a third-party comment by completing the Commission's online third-party comment form, available via the institution's website or ACCJC's website. In order to ensure evaluation of applicable third-party comments by the peer review team, third-party comments should be received by the Commission staff no later than five weeks before the peer review team visit.

Palau Community College will submit its Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (ISER) to the Commission no later than August 1, 2022; Teams ISER is October 4, 2022; and the College Focus Site Visit is scheduled during the week of March 13, 2023. Should any member of the College community or the public who may wish to submit a third-party comment must complete the Commission's online third-party comment form available at <https://accjc.org/forms/third-party-comments/>.

The third-party comment should be received by the Commission five weeks prior to March 13, 2023.

Commission's Address: Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges
331 J Street, Suite 200
Sacramento, CA 95814
P: (415) 506-0234 | E: accjc@accjc.org

2022-2023 PCC BASED SCHOLARSHIP APPLY NOW!

DAVID W. SHIPPER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

**DEBBIE O. NGIRAIBAI BUSINESS ACCOUNTING
SCHOLARSHIP**

**MATSON NAVIGATION COMPANY
INC. SCHOLARSHIP**

MOYLAN'S INSURANCE SCHOLARSHIP

PIERANTOZZI SCHOLARSHIP

PRINCE LEBUU SCHOLARSHIP

TERRY T. NGIRMANG NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

WILHELM R. RENGIL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

YAMAZAKI RENGIL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (1) Instructor, Liberal Arts program
Academic Affairs Division
salary ranges from \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (2) Instructor, Construction Technology
Academic Affairs Division
salary range: \$18,730 - 33,262 per annum
- (3) Instructor, Small Engine & Outboard Marine Tech.
Academic Affairs Division
salary range: \$12,653.00 - 22,349 per annum
- (4) Instructor Assistant, Construction Technology
Academic Affairs Division
salary range: \$12,653.00 - 22,349.00 per annum
- (5) Accounting Technician
Administration Dept. Business Office
salary ranges: \$13,081 to \$21,312.00
- (6) Instructor Assistant - General Mechanics
Academic Affairs Division
salary ranges: \$12,653 - \$22,349 per annum
- (7) Instructor-Air Condition & Refrigeration
Academic Affairs Division
salary ranges: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (8) Extension Agent (EFNEP Program)
(PCC Cooperative Research & Extension)
salary range: \$11,010 - \$19,552 per annum
- (9) Nursing Instructor
Academic Affairs Division
salary ranges: \$16,010 to \$28,280

ALUMNI NOTES

MAIKANI OSISMERENG ANDRES ENVIRONMENTAL MARINE SCIENCE



Maikani Osismereng Andres graduated from PCC in 2018 with an Associate of Science in Environmental/Marine Science. Ms. Andres is currently an intern at PICRC under Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute scholarship.

Photo contributed by: PICRC



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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.

Celebrating Birthdays

August 05 - 14, 2022



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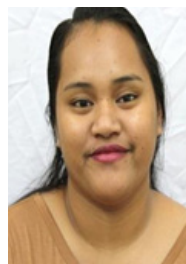
Grace Alexander



Jolene Joseph



Johvanna Yaoch



Kesina Tadao



Quilva Isims

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT CON'T

- (10) System Analyst
Administration & Finance - Computer Room
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,431 per annum
- (11) Library Assistant
PCC Library
salary ranges: \$7,800 to \$13,852.00
- (12) Instructor, Automotive Technology
Academic Affairs Division
salary ranges: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (13) Math Instructor
Academic Affairs Division
salary ranges: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (14) Instructor, Tourism & Hospitality
Academic Affairs Division
salary ranges: \$16,010 to \$28,280.00
- (15) Extension Agent X2
PCC-CRE
salary ranges: \$11,010 to \$19,552.00
- (16) Instructor, Community & Public Health
Academic Affairs Division
salary ranges: \$16,010 to \$28,280.00

PCC Endowment

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To SUPPORT,
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96940

Phone: 488-2470/2471 (ext. 251/253)

e-mail: tellei@palau.edu

If you want to join the Bi-Weekly Allotment Program, contact us NOW!

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<http://www.palau.edu>



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Show your support for the 2022 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 & trainings for generations to come.

**2022 PCC Thanksgiving
Endowment Fundraising Event
will take place on Wednesday,
November 23, 2022
from 12AM - 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

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