# Palau Community College



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### NEW UPWARD BOUND MATH-SCIENCE GRANT AWARDED TO PCC

On October 7, 2022 PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei received a letter from U.S. Department of Education-Office of Postsecondary Education informing him of the new grant award for Upward Bound Math-Science (UBMS) program. With the letter, a grant award notification (GAN) specifying the amount of funds for fiscal year 2022 and subsequent years ending August 31, 2027 were provided. The program will serve all five high schools in Palau for the next five years by providing fundamental support to students in preparation for college entrance. The program also provides opportunities for participants to succeed in precollege programs following enrollment in colleges or universities. It serves high school students from low-income families and whose families neither hold bachelor's degree from a four year college or university. The goal of UBMS is to increase the rates at which participants enroll in and graduate from institutions of post-secondary education in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) related fields. Moreover, the program will serves a minimum of sixty students from 9th to 11th grades. Upward Bound is one of the TRiO programs which emerged out of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, in response to the administration's War on Poverty. In 1965, Talent Search, the second outreach program, was created as part of the Higher Education Act. In 1968, Student Support Services, originally known as Special Services for Disadvantaged Students, was authorized

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#### HAPPY OBF/UN DAY!

from the Board of Trustees, President, Faculty, Staff, and Students of Palau Community College

## Launching of Palau Weightlifting Federation Training Room at PCC



PWF President Stevick Patris, PNOC President Frank Kyota, PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, PNOC Secretary General Baklai Temengil, PCC Director of Physical Plant Clement Kazuma, and members of the Palau Weightlifting Federation

On October 13, 2022 Palau Community College in partnership with Palau National Olympic Committee and Palau Weightlifting Federation (PWF) launched a Weightlifting Training room at PCC Meluis building. During a short turn-over ceremony, former Senator and PNOC Executive Board President Frank Kyota thanked PCC President Dr. Tellei and the PCC Board of Trustees to have PNOC and especially Palau Weightlifting Federation members the opportunity to use the college venue at Meluis building as their training room. PCC President Tellei who also serves as the chairman for the 2025 Pacific Mini Games to be held in Palau reaffirmed his support for Palau Weightlifting training room as means to help young men and women of Palau to be prepare and to excel in weightlifing training by providing needed venue. According to PWF President Stevick Patris "the venue will benefit our training goals and a greater chance of landing medals from the upcoming 2025 Pacific Mini Games".

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## PCC FINANCE DIVISION HOLDS STAFF TRAINING AT ASSEMBLY HALL



PCC staff during finance training at the Assembly Hall

On October 14, 2022, Palau Community College Finance Department (Business Office) conducted a training on the Administrative Procedures Manual (APM) which focus on Procurement Policy, Travel Policies & Procedures, and Timesheet Submission. Thirty-nine college staff undergo a four-hour administrative policies and procedures training. They are Debbie O. Ngiraibai, Angie C. Fuentez, Telbakes Yano, Ember Nakamura, Cecilia Andrew, Maureen Renguul, Leilanie Miko, Lakolani Olngellel, Bradley R. Augustine, Aggie Maech, Lyndon Masami, Merii Ngirakesau, Pauline Jerry, Danielle Dachelbai, Ann R. Lund, Eudora D. Lucio, Taulima R. Inosencio, Melodylynn Sewralur, Anthea Ngirchokebai, Kristy Olkeriil, Uli Gotlob,

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#### Weightlifting Continued from page 1

PWF officers: President Stevick Patris, Senior Vice President Miver Umedip, Vice President Benedict Kintaro, Secretary Rusiang Kintaro, and Treasurer Joey Sumor. Members are Blaine Patris, Melusech Albert, Elton Nestor, Xyrus Salii, Benit Kintaro, Myra Richard, Roxanne Canete, Claire Kintoki, Kyra Nestor, Melanny Siyarof. Coach: Stevick Patris, Assistant Coach: Benit Kintaro, Xyrus Salii, and Joey Sumor.



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by the Higher Education Amendments and became the third in a series of educational opportunity programs. By the late 1960's, the term "TRIO" was coined to describe these federal programs.

Over the years, TRIO Programs have been expanded and improved to provide a wider range of services and to reach more students who need assistance. The Higher Education Amendments of 1972 added the fourth program to the TRIO group by authorizing Educational Opportunity Centers. The 1976 Education Amendments authorized the Training Program for Federal TRIO Programs, initially known as the Training Program for Special Programs Staff and Leadership Personnel. Amendments in 1986 added the sixth program, the Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program.

In 1990, the Department created the Upward Bound Math-Science program to address the need for specific instruction in the fields of math and science. The Upward Bound Math-Science program is administered under the same regulations as the regular Upward Bound program. PCC is greatful to have additional grant assistance to support students in Palau and remain steadfast in its commitment to further expand educational opportunities to the Palauan students.

## MAINTENANCE REPLACING POSTS TO THE EXISTING ROOF



Maintenance staff replacing old posts with concrete ones at the back of Automotive Mechanics classroom and replacing old calvanized roofs.

#### **BITS AND PIECES..**

#### Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

#### **Hours of Operation**

Monday to Thursday 7:30AM - 7:00PM

Friday

7:30 - 5:00 PM

Saturday, Sunday & National Holidays

CLOSED

For more information, call: 488-3540.

## Available to Interested Readers: Dwell Magazine



Dwell has championed home design that improves people's lives. It features new ideas about what a home can and should be, offer expert advice for making your own space a better place to live, and provide a marketplace for the best-designed products available.

#### **Academic Calendar**

#### October 24 (M)

Holiday: OBF/United Nation Day

#### October 30 (S)

Last Day to Remove Continuing Progress Grades for Spring 2022

#### **News/Stories Wanted**

Mesekiw'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

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

#### **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 Affaris Division salary range: \$12,653.00 - 22,349 per annum
- (4) Accounting Technician Administration Dept. Business Office salary ranges: \$13,081 to \$21,312.00
- (5) Instructor Assistant General Mechanics Academic Affairs Division salary ranges: \$12,653 - \$22,349 per annum
- (6) Instructor-Air Condition & Refrigeration Academic Affairs Division salary ranges: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (7) Extension Agent (EFNEP Program) (PCC Cooperative Research & Extension) salary range: \$11,010 - \$19,552 per annum
- (8) Nursing Instructor Academic Affairs Division salary ranges: \$16,010 to \$28,280
- (9) System Analyst Administration & Finance - Computer Room salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,431 per annum

#### ALUMNI NOTES

#### MC-MARTINUS ASSITO AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE



Mr. MC Martinus Assito graduated from PCC in 2019 with an Associate of Science (AS) in Agricultural Science. Mr. Assito recently hired as PCC-CRE Research Assistant



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 October 21 - 30, 2022





Mary Banphis

Samantha Bells

#### VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT CON'T

- (10) Director of Development Office of the President Salary ranges: \$18,730 to \$33,262
- (11) Instructor, Automotive Technology Academic Affairs Division salary ranges: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (12) Math Instructor
  Academic Affairs Division
  salary ranges: \$16,010 \$28,280 per annum
- (13) Instructor, Tourism & Hospitality Academic Affairs Division salary ranges: \$16,010 to \$28,280.00
- (14) Project Director Talent Search Office salary ranges: \$18,730 to \$33,262
- (15) Instructor, Community & Public Health Academic Affairs Division salary ranges: \$16,010 to \$28,280.00
- (16) Academic Counselor/Advisor Upward Bound Program salary ranges: \$19,000 -\$21,500
- (17) Project Director Upward Bound Math & Science Salary ranges: \$21,000 to \$32,000
- (18) Two (2) Academic Counselor/Advisors Upward Bound Math & Science salary ranges: \$19,000 to \$23,000
- (19) Math Coordinator Upward Bound Math & Science salary ranges: \$19,000 to \$23,000
- (20) Science Coordinator Upward Bound Math & Science salary ranges: \$19,000 to \$23,000
- (21) Administrative Assistant Upward Bound Mathy & Science salary ranges: \$16,000 to \$18,000

#### **PCC** Endowment

## INVEST IN THE FUTURE TO SUPPORT, CONTACT US TODAY!

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

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Chiana Chiba, Harrison Umang, Kazue Melphy, Harline Haruo, Keith Ignacio, Dizzette Dolmers, Dilubech Samil, Jolene Joseph, Maya Malchiyanged, Janyssa Ford, Cecilia Olikong, Renee Renguul, Dilsias Shmull, Courtney T. Joshua, Kiruu Katosang, Mary Banphis, Wiles Tmecherur, and Shaik Shinji Higa.

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