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CONFERENCE ON USDA NIFA LAND GRANT PROGRAMS FOR USAPI & FAS COLLEGES



Participants and guests on the first day of the conference

Palau Community College and Cooperative Research and Extension hosted a conference for USDA's National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) Land Grant Programs for the United States Affiliated Pacific Islands (USAPI) and Freely Associated States (FAS) colleges from April 29 to May 03, 2024. People in attendance included USDA NIFA and Western Region participants, Institution heads of Extension and Research Departments and their staff, which included UH-Manoa, Northern Marianas College, University of Guam, American Samoa Community College, College of Micronesia Land Grant Central Office, College of Micronesia-Federated States of Micronesia, and College of the Marshall Islands. Regional collaborations like this connect instruction and support for colleges through Land Grant and Western Region partnerships. By connecting the Pacific through important regional foods such as taro, breadfruit, swine, and marine products (aquaculture), we all are working together to help resolve similar issues related to food security and the impacts of climate change. This conference included multiple site visits with PCC-CRE and other partners such as Bureau of Agriculture and Koror Solid Waste Management Office. We would like to thank USDA NIFA, COM-Land Grant, PCC, Belau Wellness Center, and COM Board of Regents Chairman and Governor of Peleliu Dr. Emais Roberts for making this the first ever USDA NIFA Land Grant Programs for USAPI and FAS Colleges Conference.

PCC PRESIDENT DR. TELLEI DONATES TO MHS ENDOWMENT FUND



PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei presenting PCC's donations to Mindszenty High School's principal Alan Marbout

On May 3, 2024, Mindszenty High School (MHS) celebrated its 75th anniversary. As a show of support, as they do so to Palau Community College (PCC), the president, Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, donated \$250.00 to the high school from the college. PCC is proud to be a supporter of the cardinals high school. PCC has helped in the repair of the *Bai er a Budech* and assisted in various other improvement projects. MHS and PCC have been working together for a very long time with regards to education, culture and making sure our youth know everything they need to in order to have successful futures. MHS has supported the college through donations to PCC's endowment fund, attended PCC's Commencement Exercises, and many others. Congratulations on your 75th Anniversary.



CLASS OF 2024

**JOIN US ON
THE 61ST
COMMENCEMENT
EXERCISE ON
MAY 17TH, 2024
AT PCC
CAFETERIA**

Palau Community College is an accessible comprehensive public educational institution helping to meet the technical, academic, cultural, social, and economic needs of students and communities by promoting learning opportunities and developing personal excellence.

PCC WELCOMES NEW JICA VOLUNTEER



Ms. Sayaka Naito, JICA volunteer to PCC CRE

In April 2024, JICA's newest volunteer to PCC Cooperative Research and Extension (CRE) began working and her time here will last until April 2026. Ms. Sayaka Naito is an expert in the field of biotechnology and will be working in that field at PCC-CRE. She studied life sciences in university and graduate school, then worked for a company manufacturing and selling sweets. It's her first time in Palau and she is very excited to be here, just as we are to have her. Welcome to PCC-CRE, Ms. Naito.

UBMS MONTHLY WORKSHOP

Written by: Ms. Kate Oiph



*Left: students listening to the speaker of the workshop
Right: speaker of the workshop, Mr. King Sam*

PCC Upward Bound Math & Science (UBMS) Program held their monthly workshop at PCC Assembly Hall on April 25-26, 2024. Director King Sam, along with Communication and Outreach Officer, Ms. Lucy Dickie from the Palau National Marine Sanctuary (PNMS) shared their expertise with the students and highlighted some interesting facts about PICRIC and PNMS. Some examples of what was learned from their engaging presentation include Palau has 94 total fish stock sites and 16 Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) and that there are 18 species of mangroves in Palau. PCC-UBMS appreciates the efforts driven by PNMS and looks forward to more student learning opportunities in the future!

PCC BIDS FAREWELL TO DEDICATED SECRETARY MS. SEWRALUR



Ms. Melody Sewralur (middle front) with PCC President Dr. Tellei, PCC Vice President Olegeriil, and staff and faculty

Ms. Melody Sewralur began working at PCC in 2021 as the secretary to the president. During her time here she was able to work and take classes simultaneously and graduated with her degree in Business Administration in Spring 2023. PCC staff showed their appreciation with a farewell lunch on her last day, May 3, 2024. PCC thanks her for her time here and hopes to see her in the future. Good luck on all your future endeavors.

PNOC PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY GENERAL VISIT PCC



PCC students with Ms. Ragundi, PNOC Secretary General Temengil, PCC President Dr. Tellei, and PNOC President Kyota

On May 3, 2024, President of Palau National Olympic Committee (PNOC), Mr. Frank Kyota, along with the Secretary General, Ms. Baklai Temengil, paid a visit to PCC to meet with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei and PCC Architect Ms. Divine Ragundi. The visit was to discuss the upcoming South Pacific Mini Games that Palau will host on Summer of 2025. The newest building under construction between the PCC Tan Siu Lin Library and the track and field will serve a purpose during the games as the construction will be done before then. PNOC has been a strong supporter of the college and PCC would like to give back to the Olympic Committee by lending a hand anyway they can.

BITS AND PIECES...

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

Hours of Operation

Mon to Thu 7:30AM - 7:00 PM

Friday 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Sat 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sun. & National
Holidays CLOSED

For more information, call:
488-3540.

AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS: BLOOMBERG BUSINESSWEEK



Bloomberg BusinessWeek Magazine is a prominent and influential weekly business publication that provides comprehensive coverage of global business, finance, technology, economics, and markets.

Academic Calendar

May 17

Commencement Exercise

May 20-29

Placement Testing for Summer 2024

News/Stories Wanted


Mesekui'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 hherman@palau.edu.

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcome.

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



To all students interested in taking summer courses, the course listing is now available. Scan the QR code above for the course listing. Don't forget to register at Admissions & Records office.




Attention All Current PCC Students enrolled in Spring 2024

Your Feedback Matters

Your insights help us understand what's working well and where we can improve. Your input directly shapes the services and support we offer, making your academic journey smoother and more enjoyable.

Check your email inbox for the Institutional Effectiveness Survey link and share your feedback today.

Your Privacy Matters:
Rest assured, your responses are completely anonymous. Feel free to share your thoughts openly and candidly.

 **QUESTIONS ON THE SURVEY??**
You may call us at 488-2470 ext 250 or visit us at
Institutional Research and Evaluation Office
Palau Community College

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (1) Instructor, Construction Technology
Academic Affairs Division
Salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (2) Instructor, Small Engine & Outboard Marine Tech.
Academic Affairs Division
Salary range: \$12,653.00 - \$22,349 per annum
- (3) Extension Agent (EFNEP Program)
PCC Cooperative Research & Extension
Salary range: \$11,010 - \$19,552 per annum
- (4) Instructor, Community & Public Health
Academic Affairs Division
Salary ranges: \$16,010 - \$28,280.00 per annum
- (5) Nursing Instructor
Academic Affairs Division
Salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (6) Air Conditioning and Refrigeration
Academic Affairs Division
Salary ranges: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum
- (7) Registration and Records Specialist
Admissions and Records Office
Salary ranges: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum

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>.

"PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer."

ALUMNI NOTES

CJ KOLEBRANG G. MIRA BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



Ms. CJ Mira graduated with her AS in Business Administration in Spring 2022. She has since left to Eastern Oregon University to further her education. Congratulations on all your achievements!

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 or 252).

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



Mesekiu's News

Palau Community College

Celebrating Birthdays

May 13 - May 19, 2024



Harrison Umang



Rosania Olegeriil



Lakolani Olengellel



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Lisa Rafael



PCC Endowment

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To SUPPORT,
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