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# Palau Community College

## MESEKIU'S NEWS



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### NOONTIME SEMINAR: DR. KITALONG



*PCC President Dr. Tellei, Vice President Olegeriil, Vice President Dr. Kitalong with CRE staff, students and guests*

On July 2, 2024, Dr. Chris Kitalong, Vice President of Cooperation Research and Extension (CRE) hosted a noontime seminar about the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA). They were fortunate to have welcomed the Oregon State University Ridge to Reef: Sustainable Management in Palau class, to attend the seminar and later toured the Research & Development Station and the Multispecies Hatchery in Ngeremlengui. During the seminar, Dr. Kitalong reiterated the importance of their six (6) priorities which are the following: lack of local food production and food insecurity, sustainable aquaculture development, youth and family issues in the community, climate changes in Micronesia, high incidence of food and waterborne illnesses and child obesity. He stressed the importance of focusing on these priorities to be able to preserve our resources for our youth's future. Dr. Kitalong mentioned all the outreach programs that he and CRE staff have done for all the states of Palau that they have visited and assisted in all age groups, ranging from elementary students to senior citizens. Dr. Kitalong and his team's work is very crucial for our youth and our nation and PCC thanks him and his team for their hard work and commitment.

### USMC IN PALAU VISIT PCC



*Sgt. Major Delgadillo, MGySgt. Donatus, Dean Kual, Dean Reklai, Vice President Olegeriil, Lt. Col. McCarthy, and Lt. Brock*

On July 16, 2024, the United States Marine Corps (USMC) in Palau visited Palau Community College (PCC) and had the opportunity to meet Vice President Jay Olegeriil, Dean Hedrick Kual of Continuing Education (CE) and Dean Hilda Reklai of Student Services. Fortunately, they met a Palauan among them, Master Gunnery Sergeant Donatus. Along with him were Sergeant Major Delgadillo, Lieutenant Colonel McCarthy, and Lieutenant Brock. During their meeting, they discussed opening a basketball clinic/training for the college students, offered medical expertise to PCC's nursing faculty, and offered to do two (2) noontime seminars regarding one, photography and marketing and two, joining the USMC and how it has the potential to save lives. PCC thanks them for their generous assistance. PCC would also like to recognize the achievements of Master Gunnery Sergeant Donatus (E-9), who is the first Palauan in the United States Marine Corp to achieve this title and rank. This title and rank (E-9) serves as senior enlisted advisor assisting the commanding officer in matters of discipline, administration, and the morale and welfare of the unit. The college and our nation praises you for your hard work and thanks you for your service. They will be here until the end of August before relocating.

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## CE KIDS INTERSESSION PROGRAM CONCLUDES WITH GRADUATION



*CE Awarding Ceremony: PCC President Dr. Tellei, CE's Dean Kual with the teachers and students*

On April 4, 2024, the Intercession Kids Program concluded after two weeks of classes. The classes that were available this intercession included Singapore Math, English Reading and Writing, Palauan Orthography, Marine Science, Basic Word Processing and Powerpoint and Basic Arts. All the students that participated were awarded for their hard work. The awarding ceremony was short with welcoming remarks from Dr. Patrick U. Tellei and awarding of certificates with the instructors and Continuing Education's (CE) Dean Hedrick Kual. Thank you instructors, students, parents and Dean Kual for making the program possible and we can't wait to see you all again for the next intercession program.

## CAREGIVER TRAINING: AWARDING CEREMONY



*Participants of the training with PCC President Dr. Tellei, CE's Dean Kual, and their instructors*

On July 3, 2024, the 30<sup>th</sup> Caregiver Training concluded as their instructors, along with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Continuing Education's Dean Hedrick Kual, and Palau AHEC's Dr. Gregory Dever awarded the students for passing all the courses. The instructors included Dr. Sylvia Osarch (lead instructor), Dr. Louisa Santos (Dentist), Mr. Jason Nolan (Physical Therapist), and Ms. Vanessa Espangel (Home Health Nurse).

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## CTE STUDENT'S EXPERIENCE: WORKING AT PCC PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

Written by: Ms. Kaylee Yusim



*Ms. Kaylee Yusim, First year Career Technical Education (CTE) Student*

"My experience working at the front desk was maybe better than others. Most of the people who worked there before dreaded the experience. They said it was boring, all you do is sit and answer the phone but working at the Front Desk isn't just about answering the phone. I think working at the front office is the best way to work on your communication skills because it introduces you to a lot of different people. Within the two days I was there I answered more phone calls than I could keep track of, I logged in documents, I organized a binder full of documents, and I made a list of items that the office needed. But the best moment I had there, was when these group of high-school kids who were working with CRE came to the office to sell their vegetables. President Tellei ended up purchasing all twelve bags of produce and we shared them amongst the offices. We even got to take pictures of the high-schoolers and honestly seeing how proud they must've felt about themselves just made my day. If I had the opportunity to go back, I would definitely go back. Not because it's an easy job or I get to sit around all day, but I want to connect with people more. I know people who are working with President Tellei are scared but working with him is not as scary as it seems. President Tellei is a very understanding and patient man but also very intelligent. He is definitely someone I look up to. On the other hand, working with Leilanie, Weiling, and Ms. Dilsils was probably the best experience. Working with these three amazing ladies really shows you the true meaning of hospitality and the importance of making a connection with people. I just hope that the people who work there after me, learn the same lessons I did."



# BITS AND PIECES...

## Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

### Hours of Operation

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

Saturday 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sunday & National Holidays CLOSED

For more information, call: 488-3540.

### AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS:

#### CORRECTIONS TODAY



*Corrections Today is the professional membership publication of the American Correctional Association (ACA). Its international readership includes individuals involved in every sector of the corrections and criminal justice fields.*

## Academic Calendar

**July 19**

Last Day of Instruction

**July 22-24**

Final Exam Period

## 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 [hherman@palau.edu](mailto:hherman@palau.edu). Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcome. Please call 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251 or 252) for more information.

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Participants include Angelo P. Elan, Bernardita G. Pate, Gina Marie A. Ganac, Aileen Torres, Dennise L. Asuncion, Iris Catague, Jayson P. Elan, MA Donnavie M. Cabigas, Marsan P. Palco, Mary Jeane N. Yumang, Michelle Gloriani, Nole T. Pate, Norilyn T. Gloriani, Normita Paseos, Prince Rod N. Ravelo, Mary May Dizon Ocampo and Princess Bessie Rivera. Congratulations to all the participants!



# REGISTRATION

For Fall 2024 is ONGOING!

## REGISTER NOW!




For more information, call 488-3036

## NEED MONEY FOR COLLEGE?

Federal student aid is financial assistance offered by the United States Department of Education (USDOE) to eligible students (Citizens of the United States of America, Republic of Palau, Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of Marshall Islands) enrolled in eligible programs at participating schools to cover school expenses such as tuition and fees, room and board, books and supplies and transportation.

SCAN & REGISTER FOR FREE!



If you are a recent high school graduate or continuing college student, join one of our workshops listed below to get more information and/or to apply for this opportunity. Palau Community College Financial Aid staff will be on-site to assist students and parents with the free application.

JULY 15 (MONDAY)	6PM-9PM	NGARACHAMAYONG CULTURAL CENTER
JULY 16 (TUESDAY)	6PM-9PM	MARIS STELLA AUDITORIUM
JULY 17 (WEDNESDAY)	6PM-9PM	MARIS STELLA AUDITORIUM
JULY 18 (THURSDAY)	6PM-9PM	PCC-ASSEMBLY HALL
JULY 19 (FRIDAY)	6PM-9PM	PCC-ASSEMBLY HALL

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS



FREE AIRTIME



FREE APPLICATION



FREE MAILING



TABLETS AVAILABLE FOR USE



### WHAT TO BRING

- COPY OF PARENT(S) 2022 WAGE AND TAX STATEMENTS
- COPY OF BIRTH CERTIFICATE/PASSPORT
- COPY OF U.S. SOCIAL SECURITY CARD (IF APPLICABLE)



FAFSA Support Workshops made possible by the ECMC Foundation and Palau Community College

### IMPORTANT NOTE

- IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT AT LEAST ONE (1) PARENT ATTEND THE SESSION WITH THE STUDENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF SIGNING THE FAFSA APPLICATION AND TO PROVIDE OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION.
- CONTACT US AT 488-2470 EXTENSION 270/271/272



## 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 range: \$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 range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum
- (7) Registration and Records Specialist  
Admissions and Records Office  
Salary range: \$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](mailto:hr@palau.edu), or download forms at <http://pcc.palau.edu>.

"PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer."

## ALUMNI NOTES

### NGERIUNS TABELUAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE



Mr. Ngeriuns Tabelual graduated with his AS in Criminal Justice this Spring 2024. He has been working with Ministry of Justice for a while now. Congratulations on all your achievements and thank you for your service!



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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 or 252).

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

## Celebrating Birthdays

July 22 - July 28, 2024



Frederick Ikertang



Grace Merong



Ngirachermang Polloi



Akilina Maech



## Please Hire PCC Graduates!

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## PCC Endowment

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

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e-mail: [tellei@palau.edu](mailto:tellei@palau.edu)

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

Interested in Learning Transferable Media and Marketing skills? Volunteer with the PCC Development Office. Stop by at the Dort building to sign-up.

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