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# Palau Community College MESEKIU'S NEWS



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Weekly Newsletter

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## PCC & MOE SIGNED TEACHER ACADEMY AGREEMENT



MOE Director of Bureau of Curriculum & Instruction Hasinta Ida Kilcullen and PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei

On March 25, 2025 Palau Community College and the Ministry of Education entered into an agreement to implement Palau Teacher Academy.

The purpose of the agreement stated that “it provides a basis for a cooperative effort to enable committed high school students wishing to explore the education field and earn college credit leading towards a bachelor’s degree in education. The document serves as evidence of a formal agreement between PCC and MOE which offers and supports students’ as they complete PCC courses for dual credit program at Palau High School”. The Palau High School Teacher Academy is a collaborative effort between the two educational institutions. Both have created a foundational teacher education pathway that allow students to earn credits toward Early Childhood, Elementary, Secondary, and Special Education at PCC which can lead to a four-year college or university undergraduate program. Upon the implementation of this program, students will enroll ED 110 Introduction to Teaching, ED 215 Mainstreaming Exceptional Individuals, ED 280 Multicultural Education, and ED 200 Integrating Digital Technology into Teaching and Learning.

## HAPPY 32<sup>ND</sup> CHARTER DAY!

### 36<sup>TH</sup> CAREGIVER TRAINING AWARDING CEREMONY



36<sup>th</sup> Caregiver Awarding Ceremony at PCC Assembly Hall with President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Dr. Gregory Dever, Dr. Dale Jenkins, Dr. Sylvia Osarch, Dr. Louisa Santos, Jason Nolan, Vanessa Espangel, PHS Principal Smyth Rdang, and Chief Lucia Tabelual with PHS students

On April 01, 2025 Sixteen (16) Caregiver Training participants were awarded certificate of completion. The focus of the training is to provide information on the concept of aging and general principles of caring for the aged adult. PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei welcomed training participants followed by Dr. Sylvia Osarch’s overview of the week’s training and what are expected including brief introduction of the training facilitators Dr. Louisa Santos, Jason Nolan, and Vanessa Espangel. Dr. Gregory Dever also highlight the importance of providing this training and what it means to care for aging adults.

Caregiver training topics covered medical problem-anemia, dermatomyositis or muscle inflammation that accompanies skin rash, blood pressure or hypertension, urinary tract infection, bodily pain and symptoms, difficult behavior, stress management by both caregiver and family member, oral health,

**Caregiver Training Continued on p. 3**

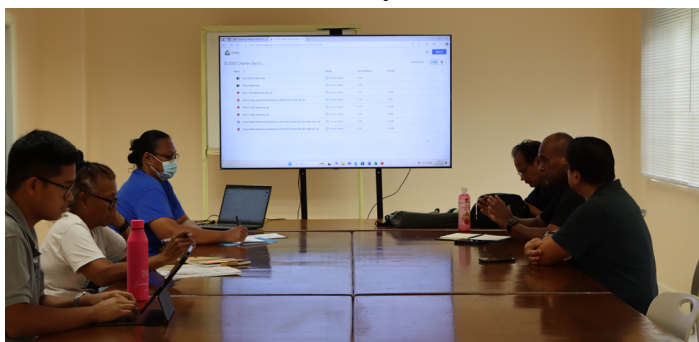
## PACMED CANDIDATES PRESENTING MASTER'S PORTFOLIOS



*UH Manoa PACMED candidates and Teacher's Assistant Dean Hedrick Kual, Dilrae Mechol, and Tchuzie Tadao during final presentation of Master's Portfolio at PCC Assembly Hall*

Last month, the University of Hawaii at Manoa's Pacific Master's in Education students were presenting their final leg of their capstone project in a portfolio format. This portfolio is a culmination of the candidates work since the beginning of the program in August 2023. It highlights the seven Ministry of Education's teaching standards that all public school teachers and administrators including Palau High School implement in the classrooms for learning pedagogy and teaching assessment. Moreover, the portfolio is partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of Master's in Education with concentration on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM) program placed based education. Program candidates will be joining the PCC graduating class of 2025 during its 62<sup>nd</sup> Commencement Exercises slated for Friday, May 16, 2025. Candidates are Charmaine Bitlaol, Chelsea Pedro, Emadech Oiterong, Fraitaz Midar, Jocantha Tewid, Jocelyn Mae Maldangesang, Jolene Rafael, Kate Oiph, Lyndon Masami, Mayleen Kesolei, Renee Sherman, Rosania D. O. Olegeriil, Thomas Borja, Tiffany Rengulbai, and Yvonne Ruloked.

## 2025 Charter Day Committee



*Committee members tasked to plan and organize President's Run & Walk slated for Friday, April 4, 2025*

## IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON MA- RINE ECOSYSTEM IN PALAU



*Participants of the climate change on Palau's marine ecosystem at Ibokill training room*

On March 31, 2025 The professors from National Sun Yat-sen University (NSYSU) conducted a workshop on the "Impact of Climate Change on Marine Ecosystem in Palau".

Present to lead the workshop discussions were Dr. Chin-Chang Hung, professor at Department of Oceanography at National Sun Yat-sen University in Taiwan, Dr. Wen-Chen Chou National Taiwan Ocean University, Dr. Tse Min Lee, Department of Marine Biotechnology at National Sun Yat-sen University, Dr. Hsiu-Chin Lin also a professor from National Sun Yat-sen University, and Dr. Hsueh Han Hsieh, Director and Professor with NSYSU, an expert in Marine Chemistry, Carbon Flux, and Ocean Acidification. Topics discussed relative to Palau's Ocean were Energy in Marine Ecology, Primary Productivity and Food, Rethink Blue Carbon, The Fate of Biological Carbon Pump in Seawater and Sediments, Exploring Organisms in Marine Sediments, Introduction to Water Quality Monitoring System, Practical hands-on activity that focus on Drying Seagrass and Seaweed, Studying Metabolism of Seagrass, Studying expansions within the sediment, Learning Measurements of Dry Weight of Seagrass, Seaweed, and Sediment including the oxygen consumption of the organism in the seawater, and analyze and assess carbon sequestration (carbon sink). This three-day workshop took place at PCC Ibokill training room for interested community members and government agencies and offices. Thank you National Sun Yat-sen University for providing needed information on Palau's Climate Change initiatives.

# BITS AND PIECES...

## Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

### Hours of Operation

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

Saturday 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sunday & National  
Holidays CLOSED

For more information, call:  
488-3540.

### AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS:



BBC Music Magazine is a British monthly magazine that focuses primarily on classical music. The first issue appeared in September 1992. BBC Worldwide, the commercial subsidiary of the BBC, was the original owner and publisher together with Warner Music Enterprises during its initial phase.

## Academic Calendar

**April 4**

PCC- Charter Day President's  
Run & Walk

**April 16**

Last Day For All Withdrawals

**April 17-18**

Students' Spring Break

## 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.

## 32<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL CHARTER DAY PRESIDENT'S RUN/WALK

**PLACE:** PCC Mesekiu Gym

**TIME:**

**Registration** 4:30 am - 5:15 am

**Warm up** 5:20 am

**Event Start** 5:30 am

**Towels will be passed out!**

**DATE:** April 4, 2025

**ROUTE:**

**Socio & back to PCC Gym**

- Run/Walk on the right side of the road only
- There will be Police Escort

### Caregiver Training *Continued from p. 1*

daily physical activities and prevention of bedsores, and movement or gait prevention and transfer. Participants of the 36<sup>th</sup> Caregiver Training are Basiou Willibalt Demei, Bliss S. Sadang, Dibleochel Levie Besebes, Giv Idok Kumangai, Kaia Bairiang Sasao, Kirari Edna Delong, Klu Sadee-Tiari Blelas, Kyari Ramona Polloi, Landisang Ngiramengior, Lee-Jay Ngiramolau, Mystique Kamea Rae Aderkeri Wilson, Omengabar TaKisha Ongino, Remurang T. Rechelluul, Richie Selmechaki Riungel, Rohan Jameson Tagaro Fidel, and Victoria Uto Ngiraremiang.

## PMG ANNOUNCEMENT

## PACIFIC MINI GAMES 2025 PALAU

*Empowering Unity*

# Be a Volunteer!

### Make the Games Successful!

Scan Code  
To Register

The Pacific Mini Games 2025 Committee is recruiting interested volunteers to help ensure the success of the games this Summer! Scan the code to register now!

## 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: \$12,633.00 - \$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) Administrative Assistant  
Upward Bound Program  
Salary range: \$12,001 - \$21,312 per annum
- (7) Accounting Technician (Payroll)  
Administration Department (Business Office)  
Salary ranges: \$13,081-\$23,230 per annum
- (8) Accounting Technician (Receivable)  
Administration Department (Business Department)  
Salary range: \$13,081-\$23,230 per annum
- (9) Financial Aid Counselor  
Student Services - Office of Financial Aid  
Salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum

## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (10) Two (2) Financial Aid Technicians  
Student Services - Office of Financial Aid  
Salary range: \$11,010 - \$19,552 (depending on qualifications and work experience) 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."**



## PCC Endowment

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

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Palau 96940

Phone: 488-2470/2471 (ext. 251/252)

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.

## ALUMNI NOTES

**SAMMY K. LDESEL**

**CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY**



Mr. Sammy K. Ldesel graduated with his AAS in Construction Technology in Spring 2024. Mr. Ldesel had decided to move to Lacey, Washington for employment.



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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.

## GENOMICS IN MICRONESIA 2025

**When:** August 4th - August 8th, 2025.  
**Where:** University of Guam, Mangilao

**In a week long workshop, scholars will:**

1. Gain knowledge about basic genetics.
2. Experience working in a laboratory setting.
3. Analyze genes through computational techniques.
4. Learn and discuss ethical, social, and legal use of genetic research.

To determine your eligibility and access the application page visit:  
[www.uog.edu/singmicro](http://www.uog.edu/singmicro)

**Application deadline: April 24th, 2025**

Email [singmicro@triton.uog.edu](mailto:singmicro@triton.uog.edu) for more information



**Please Hire PCC Graduates!**

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