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Weekly Newsletter

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2025 PALAU FARMER'S FOCUS WORKSHOP



CRE Vice President Kitalong and staff hosting Palau Farmers' Focus Workshop in PCC Assembly Hall

On May 30, 2025, CRE hosted the 2025 Palau Farmers' Focus Workshop. This initiative was made possible through our valued partners at the University of Guam Cooperative Extension & Outreach, who continue to support and empower farmers across the Micronesian region. The Farmers' Focus group at the University of Guam was established to strengthen local farming communities through capacity-building, wellness, and peer-to-peer learning opportunities. The workshop, which brought together more than 50 participants, highlighted the vital connections between health, sustainable agriculture, resilience, and technology in farming communities. Featured guest speakers included Dr. Kuan-Ju Chen, Director of the Agriculture & Life Sciences Division, University of Guam; Don McMoran, Director of the Western Region Agricultural Stress Assistance Program; Dr. Jessie Yi Hsun Wu, Veterinarian Team Lead, National Chung Hsing University; and Gayle Gratop, Assistant Agent in Family, Consumer, and Health Sciences, University of Arizona. PCC CRE workshop organizers were honored to welcome Her Excellency Jessica C. Lee,

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PALAU SDSU BA COHORT PROGRAM



Dean of CE Hedrick Kual, SDSU Graduate Student, Dr. Virginia Loh-Hagan, and PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei

This course provides an overview of Asian American and Pacific Islander communities, identities, and issues. To place these experiences within a broader historical, structural, and cultural context, the course will begin with an introduction to the history of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the United States, as well as the relevant political events and social forces that have impacted their migration, settlement, and incorporation. We will also examine the diversity of Asian American and Pacific Islander experiences, highlighting racial/ethnic, gender/sexuality, and class/labor, among others. Further topics of focus may include: migration, discrimination, media, family, education, politics, citizenship, and more. The course will conclude with an examination of the ever-evolving nature of Asian/Pacific Islander America, as well as what lies ahead for the fastest-growing racial demographic in the United States. It is acknowledged that students come with a wide spectrum of knowledge and opinions about

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Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of China- Taiwan to the Republic of Palau, who delivered opening remarks reaffirming Taiwan's ongoing support for Palau's agricultural community. Additional presentations were given by CRE staff, the Bureau of Agriculture (MAFE), the Taiwan Technical Mission, and the Division of Behavioral Health (MHHS). We extend our sincere thanks to all participants and partners who contributed to the success of this workshop. Your continued support plays a vital role in advancing Palau's farming community.

CTE STUDENTS BEGIN PREPARATION OF CLASSROOMS FOR 2025 PMG



On June 5, 2025 CTE Lab School students began the preparation of PCC classrooms to house the athletes participating in the 2025 Pacific Mini Games by setting up bunk beds in each classrooms located at the following PCC buildings: Smuuch, Sebus, Btaches, Temekai, Tekrar, Meluis, Udech, New Science building, and Dorm A & B.

PCC MAINTENANCE & CTE IN FULL SWING WITH CAMPUS CLEAN UP FOR PMG



PCC Maintenance & CTE student workers for the past six weeks have been working tirelessly to clean the upper campus buildings and walkways.

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SDSU BA Cohort with Dr. Virginia Loh-Hagan and SDSU graduate student in Assembly Hall

Asian Americans, Pacific Islanders, and Asian American Studies. The usefulness of this course will be largely contingent on the ability of students to connect their personal conceptions and experiences of this population to larger socio-historical trends and theory. Students will be expected to actively and critically engage with course materials through individual exploration and group discussions. Course projects and writing assignments will be utilized to help students gain a concrete appreciation of how a sociohistorical perspective sheds light on the lived experience of contemporary Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders. Because this is an upper-division course, students are expected to actively engage with the course curriculum.

SODERHOLM BUS & MOBILITY COMPANY VISTS PCC



Sales Consultant Gustaf Soderholm(right) with PCC President Patrick U. Tellei and the representatives of SBM company

On May 26, 2025 Sales Consultant Gustaf Soderholm, the sales consultant from the Soderholm Bus & Mobility company in Hawaii paid a courtesy visit to the Office of the President at Palau Community College. The company specializing in transportation and mobility, typically focuses on providing buses for public transportation, as well as accessible transportation options for people with disabilities.

BITS AND PIECES...

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

Hours of Operation

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

Saturday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Sunday & National Holidays CLOSED

For more information, call: 488-3540.

AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS:

DWELL MAGAZINE



Dwell is a design and technology brand. It was launched with a magazine in October 2000 by CEO Lara Hedberg Deam with architecture and design critic Karrie Jacobs as its editor-in-chief. In August 2002, Jacobs left the magazine and was replaced by senior editor Allison Arieff.

Academic Calendar

June 20 (F)
Last Day for All Withdrawals

June 24 (T)
Last Day Instruction

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. Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcome. Please call 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251 or 252) for more information.

Are you considering going back to school?

Let's Talk Social Work!
Virtual Information Sessions about Master in Social Work (MSW) options @ UH Mānoa

Program Highlights

- Classes offered on-campus and online
- Variety of field education options
- Have a BSW? You could earn your MSW in 1 year!
- And much more!

Register at QR Code OR <https://go.hawaii.edu/aRz>

Questions? Contact us at swhub@hawaii.edu

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MĀNOA
Department of Social Work
THOMPSON SCHOOL
SOCIAL WORK & PUBLIC HEALTH

RPPL 8-27
Prohibits Smoking Cigarettes on Public Property, including Palau Community College Campus.

RPPL 11-27
Prohibits Purchasing, Possessing, or Consuming E-Cigarettes ANYWHERE in the Republic Of Palau.

Violators of these Laws will be reported to Law Enforcement Authorities.

NO SMOKING VAPING E-CIGARETTES

SUMMER SESSION 2025 (5 Weeks)

May 12-21 (M-TH)	Placement Testing
May 22 (TH)	New Student Orientation
May 26 (M)	First Day of Instruction
May 26-27 (M-TU)	Credit by Examination Period
May 26-27 (M-TU)	Drop/Add Period
May 26 (M)	Late Registration
May 28 (W)	Last Day to Change to AUDIT grading option
May 30 (F)	Last Day to remove Continuing Progress Grades for Fall 2024
June 1 (S)	Holiday: President's Day
June 2 (M)	Holiday: President's Day Observed
June 9-10 (M-TU)	Mid-Term Period
June 20 (F)	Last Day for All Withdrawals
June 24	Last Day of Instruction
June 25-27 (W-F)	Final Examination Period
July 4 (F)	Grades Due by 11:00 am
July 9 (W)	Holiday: Constitution Day
July 11 (F)	Last Day for Change of Grades
July 14 (M)	Registration for Fall 2025 begins

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: \$12,653.00 - \$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) 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

ALUMNI NOTES

EMITT R. NARUO

CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY



Mr. Emitt Naruo graduated with his AAS in Construction Technology in Spring 2025. He is employed at Surangel and Sons Co.

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
- (11) Two (2) Library Assistant
Tan Siu Lin PCC Library
Salary range: \$7,800 - \$13,852 (depending on qualifications and work experience) per annum
- (12) Data Service Technician
Institutional Research & Evaluation Office
Salary range: \$10,000 - \$17,938 (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, or download forms at <http://pcc.palau.edu>.

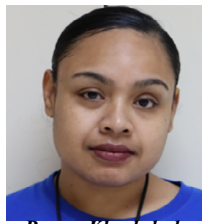
"PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer."

Celebrating Birthday

June 9 - 15 2025



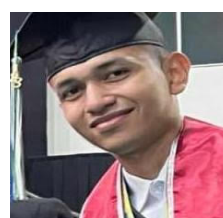
Frederick Mascardo



Raven Kloulubak



Kerik Kitalong



Ian Goodall

PCC Endowment

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

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e-mail: 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.



Please Hire PCC Graduates!



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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 **Mezekiu's News** issues.

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