

## Development of Crop Profile for Cucumber and Chinese Cabbage

Palau Community College-Cooperative Research and Extension is developing a crop profile for cucumber and chinese cabbage, the two most popular grown vegetable crops in Palau. This one-year project is funded by the Western Region Pesticide Impact Assessment Program (WRPIAP) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, No. 99 EPIS-1-0460 (ST1W99E) in the amount of \$10,000.

This project involves surveying farms and interviewing farmers twice a month to depict what pest problems (insects, diseases, weeds, etc.) attack the crops and what pesticides (name, type and dosage) are used to control targeted pests. It determines the number of pesticide applications on these two crops. The survey also records other non-chemical control measures employed by farmers to lessen pest damage and whether farmers follow safety precautions in spraying pesticides such as wearing gloves, goggles and respirators.

By December 31, 1999, a report on crop profile for the two vegetables crops will be submitted to WRPIAP-USDA. The report will contain the following:

- Production information-acreage planted to each crop, estimated yield per acre, estimated cost of production per acre, estimated net profit per acre.
- Production regions - places in Palau where cucumber and Chinese cabbage plantings are concentrated.
- Horticultural practices for growing each crop.
- Insects pests - key pests that attack each crop, the life cycle, behavior, and stage of plant growth they would likely attack.
- Control of insect pests
  - a) Cultural or non-chemical
  - b) Biological - use of natural enemies to control pests
  - c) Chemical

- Diseases - major diseases (fungus, bacteria, virus, etc.) infecting each crop.
- Control of diseases
  - a) Cultural
  - b) Biological
  - c) Chemical
- Weeds - common species and invasive types.
- Control of weeds.
  - a) Cultural
  - b) Biological
  - c) Chemical
- References

Once the report is prepared and written, the information will be disseminated to farmers and owners of the farms so that they will be better informed on the extent of pesticide usage on the two crops and what strategies can be done to prevent build up of pest resistance to chemical pesticides.


For further information, please contact PCC-CRE at telephone #488-2746, Fax #488-3307 or E-mail Asuta@palaunet.com.

**THANKS**

### Message of Appreciation

Thanks to those offices who submitted their articles for this week's issue of Mesekiu's News. Let's continue to spread the news of our one and only community college through our unique newspaper.

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## PCC Library Heroes and Heroines

The PCC Library would like to publicly acknowledge those individuals who have made donations to the PCC Library so far this year. Your generosity has helped us to make a very significant improvement to our collection, services and facilities. We salute the following (and if we have inadvertently omitted anyone, we sincerely apologize):

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We apologize for the delay of the PCC Abai story.  
We'll get it out in the June 25th issue.  
Thank you for your understanding.



# Vacancy Announcement

**POSITION:** Horticulture/Agronomy (Research)  
**SALARY:** \$30,000 per annum plus other benefits

### Scope of Work

1. Develops and implements innovation extension and research programs in Horticulture/Agronomy with emphasis on plant tissue culture and crop production techniques.
2. Acquires funding for extension and research programs in crop production from local, national and international institutions/organizations.
3. Participates in local and international studies/research in a team approach, and cooperate closely with specialists, agents and researchers in other disciplines in Palau and in other geographic areas.
4. Disseminates information through presentation at national conferences, publication in journals and authorship of extension resources.
5. Acts as resource person in training and conferences on Horticulture/Agronomy in Palau, Micronesia and National and International levels.
6. Abides by the applicable USDA, College of Micronesia and PCC policies, rules and regulations.
7. Performs other functions as may be assigned by the PCC Cooperative Research and Extension Vice President.

### Qualifications

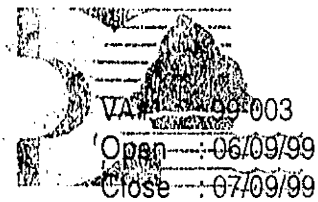
Requires doctorate degree in Horticulture/Agronomy or related areas with 4-years experience in horticulture with experience in plant tissue culture, and crop production techniques. Effectively written and oral communications skills; field experience in Horticulture programs highly desirable; possess a strong publication record; effectiveness in working with adult and youth audiences, with individuals and groups, and as a team member. Ability to obtain funding should be evident.

### Application Procedures

Please send letter of application and statement of goals and objectives, curriculum vitae, publication list, transcripts of all college work and names, addresses and telephone number of three references to: Leo Ben Tehong, Director, Human Resources Division, P.O. Box 09, Koror, Palau 96940; Phone (680)488-2471; fax (680)488-3307.

Palau Community College is committed to the principles of diversity and seeks a broad spectrum of applicants including women, people of color and people with disabilities.

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**POSITION:** Secretary  
**SALARY:** \$9,913 per annum

**Location :** PCC Continuing Education

### Description of Duties

Under direction of a supervisor, perform a variety of secretarial and clerical tasks. Incumbent works independently with minimum direction on routine assignments. Incumbent has frequent contact with administrators, faculty, staff, students and the general public which requires considerable knowledge of the office operation in order to explain the assigned area's procedures.

### Qualifications

Graduation from high school including or supplemented by courses in secretarial science AND one year experience in secretarial work. Skills in typing from clear copy at 50 words per minute, operate standard office machines and ability to learn and use computer software, such as word processing program.

### General Information

Applications can be obtained from Personnel Office, Palau Community College, P.O. Box 9, Koror, Palau 96940. Please forward completed application to same address. Contact Division of Human Resources for further information at telephone (680)488-2470 or fax to (680)488-2447.



# RETENTION WEB PAGE

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR

	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3
Late Registration/Drop & Add Period (for Spring Semester '99)	June 14-18 (M-F)		
Last Day to Remove Incomplete Grades (for Spring Semester '99)	July 2 (F)	July 2 (F)	July 2 (F)
Midterm Period	July 5-8 (M-TH)	June 24 (TH)	July 22 (TH)
Holiday: Constitutional Day	July 9 (F)	July 9 (F)	July 9 (F)
Last Day for All Withdrawals	July 13 (T)	June 28 (M)	July 26 (M)
Last Day of Instruction	August 6 (F)	July 8 (TH)	August 5 (TH)
Final Examination Period	August 9-11 (M-W)	July 8 (TH)	August 5 (TH)
Grades Due	August 13 (F)	July 12 (M)	August 9 (M)
End of Summer Session	August 13 (F)	July 8 (TH)	August 5 (TH)

## Library Section

### Important Notice to All New Students

If you are a new student this summer, please stop by the Library. We will be sure you are entered into our database, and provide you with a form to fill-out for your campus e-mail account. Please bring your ID card, and we will affix your library barcode to the back. You need your PCC ID card with library barcode in order to check out books.

### WEBSITE OF THE WEEK

Brought to you by June Ramwell, PCC Librarian  
I know how many of you love movies, so this week I want to encourage you to search this website:  
<http://www.imdb.com>

The Internet Movie Database (IMDB) is actually a subset of the huge amazon.com conglomerate. IMDB is the largest and best of the movie web sites (there are a lot!!). It provides comprehensive information on over 170,000 movies! The search mechanism lets you search directly by title of the movie from the IMDB homepage. For more specific searches, click further to conduct a search by character, cast members, or keywords. In addition, the IMDB website contains movie news and box office statistics. Find out how many moviegoers catch the premiere of Disney's "Tarzan" at U.S. movie theaters this weekend!!

Enjoy the Internet, and remember, if you have questions about searching the Internet, or need help identifying a good website for your information needs, come and see me. In addition, the PCC Library has an extensive collection of guidebooks about the Internet.

## Belau National Museum

P.O. Box 686, Koror, Palau 96940  
Tel: (680)488-2841/2865  
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### "The Pacific Islands: The Spanish Legacy"

This July 1999 the Belau National Museum will have the privilege of hosting a special traveling exhibition featuring the Spanish era in Micronesia. The exhibit, entitled "The Pacific Islands: The Spanish Legacy" was put together in Spain by the Spanish Ministry of Education and Culture.

The exhibition will feature photographs, maps, documents and artifacts relating to the Spanish presence in the islands of Micronesia. It will commemorate the one hundred years since the presence of Spain in Micronesia, which ended in 1899.

The Spanish Legacy exhibit will open at the Palau Community College Cafeteria in July and be on display for one month. It will be free of charge and open to the public. This will be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for the community in Palau to view this exhibition and learn more about the history of our islands. The exhibit has already been on display in Guam, Saipan and Pohnpei and is currently on its way to Palau.

At the threshold of the new millenium, this exhibition is part of strengthening the mutually beneficial relations between the Republic of Palau and Spain.

For more information, please contact the Belau National Museum.