

Summer Programs 2000 Kids Tour AGS Farm



Dr. Joel Miles (l), Associate Professor of Agricultural Sciences showing kids how a cardboard box can be used for mulching.

Internship Applications for Fall Semester 2000

All second-year students must find out from their academic advisor if they are required take an internship course this Fall semester.

The internship course is a 4-credit course required in all programs of studies, except for the Liberal Arts and Nursing programs.

Application forms and all required supporting documents must be submitted to the Continuing Education (CE) office no later than Friday (July 28). Please stop by the CE office and see Vincent Ito for an application form.

Graduate Record Examination (GRE) Test

The GRE test for school year 2000-2001 will be administered on October 14, 2000 at Palau Community College. The registration fee is \$125.00

Interested individuals may contact Marensia Edward, Palau GRE Center Supervisor at 488-3036.

TOEFL Information for School Year 2000-01

Test Dates	Registration deadline	Scores mailed
Oct. 21, 2000	Sept. 4, 2000	Nov. 29, 2000
Jan. 20, 2001	Dec. 4, 2000	Feb. 28, 2001
May 12, 2001	Mar. 26, 2001	June 20, 2001

* Registration fee is \$110 and you may contact the PCC Counseling Office at 488-3036 for more information.

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Reminder to PCC Staff & Students

This Summer, the College will be host to some major activities coming to Palau such as the Pacific Educational Conference (PEC) and the Vocational Academy. In addition, we continue to hold summer classes, with many of the republic's employees coming to our campus to take classes toward their degrees or for enrichment purposes. These, as a result bring additional traffic to and from the college parking lot. Therefore, everyone is asked to be patient and courteous to our patrons. Let us utilize the staff parking lot behind the bookstore building as well as the parking lot below the classroom complex located behind the Bank of Guam. We at PCC are known for our services to our customers so let's continue this wonderful legacy this Summer.

YEARBOOKS for \$15.00

**The 1998-99 yearbook is selling
for \$15.00 a copy at
the PCC Bookstore.**



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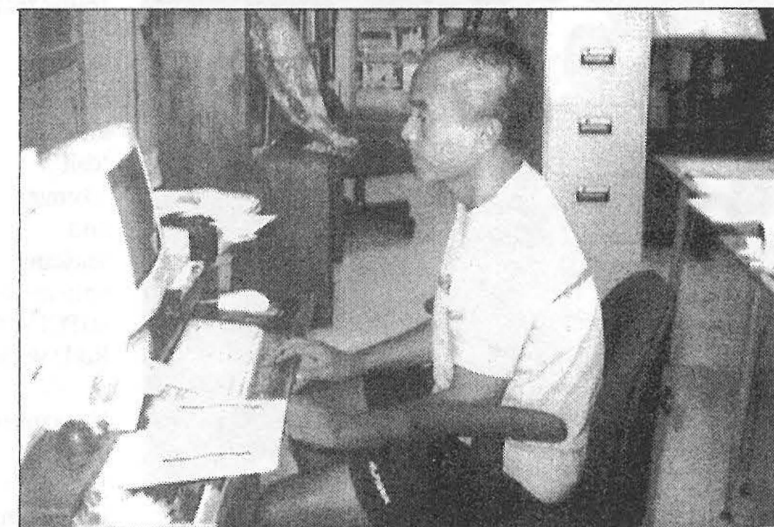


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Weekly Newsletter

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New Assistant with Micro- Pacific Collection



Mr. P Kempis Mad

The PCC Library has a new addition to its staff to help with the fast-expanding Micro-Pacific Collection. P. Kempis Mad joined the PCC Library staff on July 3rd as a part-time Library Assistant.

Mr. Kempis' responsibilities will be assisting Ms. Imengel Mad, Library Technician, Micro-Pacific Collection on special projects such as searching the Library of Congress' website for bibliographic (cataloging) records to assist us in providing full cataloging for our nearly 1,000 Micronesia-Pacific Collection titles!

You will find Kempis in the library on Monday - Friday from 9:00 am - noon. Kempis is grateful to be part of the library staff and is eager to assist students and anyone using the Micro-P Collection.

Kempis is also a noted scholar of Palauan history and will undoubtedly be an invaluable asset for those Palauan history enthusiasts.

Palau Community College gratefully welcomes Kempis as a new addition to our college family.

PCC Library Grant Proposal a Success!

The Palau Community College Library was awarded a National Network of Libraries of Medicine- Pacific Southwest Region Year 2000 Outreach Award, totaling \$3,500.

This grant will be used to provide Internet access to substance abuse prevention information, targeted to youth in Palau. This grant proposal, submitted by PCC Librarian Jane Barnwell, was developed following Ms. Barnwell's attendance at the Grant Writer's Workshop which was reported in the last issue of the *Mesekiu's News*.

The implementation of this special project, which will include training sessions for target groups on searching MedLine using PubMed, obtaining consumer health information, and introduction to health resources on the Web, will begin in Fall 2000. Watch for further information on this grant supported project in up-coming issues of the *Mesekiu's News*.

Enrollment Brief (Admissions & Financial Aid)

Student Status	Summer 1999	Summer 2000
continuing	235	212
first time	41	83
re-admitting	4	9
returning	49	43
transfer	0	18
dual (high school students)	2	0
Total Enrolled	331	365

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Internship
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**Summer Wildlife
Experience
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Summer Students Connect with Palau's Forests

Seventeen (17) young students, from private and public school systems were

privileged to have had an opportunity to explore some of Palau's forests and learned the importance of plants as natural resources through the Summer Wildlife Experience program. Participants, ranging from ages 11-17, experienced scientific data collection from observing scientific experiments they set up, and explored different types of vegetation from coastlines and mangrove forests in Koror, to upland

forests and savannas in Airai. By the end of the five-day workshop, the students were able to identify over 40 different common plants of Palau, including some endemic trees by their Palauan and scientific names. During hikes through forests, the students observed the ecological importance of these natural resources and their relationship to us, and many other animals that depend on them for shelter, nursery, and food source.

In its 5th year, the Summer Wildlife Experience program continues as an informal education to encourage and motivate student interest in conservation of some of Palau's precious natural resources - forests. CRE's 4 - H & Youth Development program conducted two separate sessions of the Summer Wildlife Experience this summer at the Science Center from June 12 - 16, 2000, and again from June 19 - 23, 2000.

Summer Wildlife Experiences as Described by the Participants:



Students during their hike through the Palau Pacific Resort Nature Trail.

These are some of the comments from daily evaluations and clippings from the students' journals they kept throughout the five-day workshop:

1. "First day was awkward most students were shy but activities were fun and interesting."
2. "I'm glad I participated in the Summer Wildlife Experience. I got new friends."
3. "I enjoyed the leaf collection activity. I began to understand more and more the importance of plants."
4. "I have to say that the day was a long one, but all worth it. I think I've mastered my tree identification."
5. "Today's hike was very fun. I saw many different kinds of trees and birds."
6. "The trip to Ngaremlengui was what I've been waiting for. The first view of R&D station was breathtaking."
7. "Seeing the snake while hiking on the PPR Nature trail was the worst thing about today."

8. "Today was my first time to hike up PPR Nature trail. I didn't realize there were so many different plants out there."
9. "I didn't realize there were so many different kinds of 'dait', 'chemutii', and 'diokang' until my visit to (PCC-CRE) R&D station at Ngaremlengui today."
10. "The worst thing about field

- trips is when it rains."
11. "I enjoyed making punch from hibiscus flowers. I must admit, I was reluctant to drink it at first."
12. "The worst thing about today was tasting the ginger tea. It was awful but I enjoyed preparing it."
13. "The best thing about today was making cereal from different kinds of seeds. The worst thing about today was that I wasn't allowed to add more sugar in my bowl of cereal."
14. "The worst thing about today was the rain. I got soaked."
15. "I love the hikes."

For more information about this Summer Wildlife Experience Program, please contact the PCC-CRE office at 488-4983; fax: 488-3307; email: Asuta@palaunet.com.

RETENTION WEB PAGE

PCC Retention Office, Tel. #: 488-2471, ext. 247

ATTENTION 2000 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES!!!

PCC would like to encourage all 2000 high school graduates to seriously consider enrolling at PCC for the first two years of your higher education endeavor. PCC has successfully been an accredited institution since 1977, by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). Our accreditation status has been reaffirmed time and again with no exception. Moreover, we have articulation agreements with many universities and colleges in the Pacific region such as the University of Guam, University of Hawaii-West Oahu, Hawaii Pacific University, Chaminade University of Honolulu, University of Hawaii-Hilo, Brigham Young University-Hawaii, and others. PCC offers programs and certificates/degrees in the following areas:

Agricultural Science	Criminal Justice	Education
Liberal Arts	Nursing	Business Accounting
Office Administration	Tourism & Hospitality	Air Conditioning & Refrigeration
Automotive Mechanics Technology	Construction Technology	General Electronics Technology
Electrical Technology	Small Engine & Outboard Marine Technology	

Come to PCC and let us provide you with the foundation for a successful experience in higher education. Come to PCC and secure your future! Please call Bennie, Lourdes, Losii, or Elsie at 488-2471, ext. 265 for an application form and assistance.

Hard Work Gets Successful Results

You're required to put in 5 hours per week in the reading lab for a total of 30 hours this summer school. We want to recognize and congratulate the following students who have successfully completed all 30 hours of reading.

Aderiano, Phoebe	Rengiil, Gwendolynn
Chen, Shu-Chung (Ann)	Renguul, Mariei
Cruz, Eucelfa	Sechalboi, Victoria
Ignacio, Marjorie	Ubedei, Atanacia

Attention Summer Students

Last day of Withdrawals was **Friday, July 5, 2000**. If a student stops going to class and fails to officially withdraw from the course, he/she will get an "F" or a "NC" in that course. A withdrawal is not official unless the withdrawal form was received by the Office of Admissions & Financial Aid on or before July 5.

Fall 2000 Pre-Registration for Continuing Students

Pre-registration for all continuing students will be on a first-come, first-served basis starting Monday, July 3, 2000 through Friday, July 14, 2000.

*Meet with your advisor for program planning and advising.

*Complete the registration worksheet with your advisor.

*Submit your completed registration worksheet to the Office of Admissions & Financial Aid.

*Pay the required initial tuition fee of \$50.00 and obtain a clearance from the Business Office.

*Present your Clearance at the Office of Admissions & Financial Aid beginning on August 7, 2000 to August 16, 2000 and pick up your official Student Class Schedule. **Note 1:** Any student who pre-registers must pick up his/her official class schedule no later than 12:00 noon on August 16, 2000. A student who fails to pick up his/her official class schedule by this deadline will lose the pre-registered classes and he/she will have to go through the registration procedures again starting August 17, 2000.

Note 2: Any continuing student who does not pre-register between July 3rd and July 14, 2000 will have to wait until August 17, 2000 to register.

Academic Calendar Summer 2000

July 5	Last day for all withdrawals
July 9	Holiday: Constitutional Day
July 14	Last day of instruction
July 17-19	Final examination period
July 21	End of Summer session/grades due