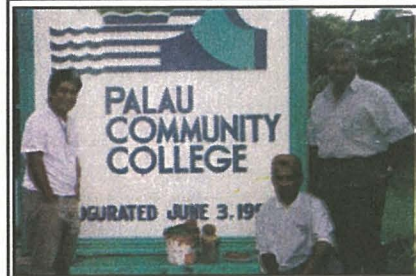


PCC 2004 Fall Semester Academic Calendar Year

August 2, 2004	Monday Faculty Report for duty
Augusts 9-13, (M-F)	Placement Testing
August 16-18, (M-W)	Freshmen Orientation and Advising
August 19 (TH)	Registration
August 23 (M)	First Day of Instruction
August 23-27 (M-F)	Late Registration/Drop and Add Period
September 6 (M)	Holiday Labor Day
October 1 (F)	Holiday: Independence Day
October 4 (M)	Last Day to Remove Incomplete Grades (Summer)
October 11-15 (M-F)	Mid-Term Period
October 22 (F)	Last Day For All Withdrawals
October 25 (M)	Holiday: UN Day
November 25 (TH)	Holiday: Thanksgiving Day
November 25-26 (TH-F)	Students Thanksgiving Break
December 10 (F)	Last Day for Instruction
December 13-15 (M-W)	Final Examination Period
December 20 (M)	Grades Due, End of Fall Semester, Student Fall Break



PCC President Tellei poses with the Representatives from Kosrae, FSM who donated the traditional dye and stain for the traditional canoe they donated to PCC



PCC President poses with Nelson E. Paulias, Executive Tourism Officer for Papua New Guinea

Celebrating Birthdays

Grace Alexander	August 8
Marcus Hangaripaii	August 12
Marlyne L. Olkeriil	August 12

Happy Birthday To You!!!

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PCC IS YOUR GATEWAY TO SUCCESS

Have you recently graduated from high school? Are you looking to get a college degree? Do you want to receive training on the latest technology, learn new ideas and meet new people? Well, PCC is the College for you. The College currently offers 15 programs, three of which (Education, Tourism and Hospitality, General Electronics) offer tracks concentrating on different areas of studies. The Education Program has tracks on Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education, Special Education, and Secondary Education. The Tourism and Hospitality Program has tracks on Tour Services, Hotel Operations, Food/Beverages Operations and Hospitality Management. The General Electronics Program has tracks on Consumer Electronics and Industrial Electronics. The programs award Certificate of Achievement (CA), Associate of Science (AS) and Associate of Arts (AA) degrees. The AS degree (60 or over credit hours) is awarded to students who successfully complete a two-year program of occupational courses and related general education courses. The AA degree (63 credit hours) in Liberal Arts is awarded to students who successfully complete a two-year program of courses for transfer to a four-year college or university or to students desiring two years of general education beyond high school. And if you are wondering, our friendly staff at the Financial Aid Office can help see if you qualify for federal assistance. So if you wish to further your educational goals, PCC has the tools, the personnel and the facilities to ensure you achieve your educational goals. You still have time to enroll this semester, so what are you waiting for? Come visit our friendly staff at the Registrars Office or call 488-2471 and see how PCC can serve you.

Placement Testing Schedule for Fall Semester

Date/Time	Activity	Location
August 9-13 (M-F) 9:00-11:00 am & 1:00-3:00 pm	English, Math, Science (walk-in testing)	Project Beacon
August 10 (T) 9:00 am. 1:00 pm	Keyboarding Test Institutional TOEFL	Room Number 67 Project Beacon
August 12 (TH) 9:00 am 1:00 pm	Keyboarding Test Institutional TOEFL	Room Number 67 Project Beacon
August 13	Keyboarding Test	Room Number 67

Note: Keyboarding test is administered in groups setting for 15 minutes
Institutional TOEFL is also given in groups setting for 2 hours
All summer and fall 2004 students are required to take all these tests if not taken yet
Continuing students who need science credits or Keyboarding are encouraged to take tests
For more information please contact Office of Student Life at 488-3036

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Health Care Professionals Ready to Meet Palau Health Care Needs

This Wednesday, August 4, the Fiji School of Medicine in collaboration with the Ministry of Health, the Palau Community College, and the Palau Area Health Education Center (AHEC) graduated ten nurses with an Undergraduate Certificate in Public Health (CPH) and one doctor with a Post Graduate Certificate. This is the first time ever that the Fiji School of Medicine has ever had a graduating class outside the nation of Fiji. This was made possible through its Distance and Flexible Learning program conducted here at PCC. This program incorporated an integrated curriculum on various areas of Medical sciences and public health courses for healthcare professionals in Palau. This one of a kind program is special because it gives Palau's physicians, nurses and health care professionals the opportunity to receive, learn and share valuable medical knowledge without leaving their home islands. Ten Nursing students received Undergraduate Certificates in Public Health with one receiving a Post Graduate Certificate in Public Health from the Fiji School of Medicine.

PCC President Patrick U. Tellei gave the welcoming remarks, with guest speakers Dr. Stevenson Kuartei providing a public health perspective, Dr. Gregory Dever, Director of AHEC and the Bureau of Hospital and Clinical Services giving the message of appreciation, and additional remarks given by Dr. Apensia Ratu, Registrar, Fiji School of Medicine. Keynote speaker was Dr. Chen Ken, WHO Representative to the South Pacific. Vice President, Sandra Pierantozzi gave the congratulatory remarks with class message given by Lorraine Beketaut. The remarkable event was honored with presence of honorable President Tommy Remengesau Jr., Senator

Joshua Koshiba, Delegate Kalistus Ngirturong and Minister of Finance Elbuechel Sadang. The event was held at the PCC Cafetorium.

PCC President Patrick U. Tellei stated: "This is truly a memorable occasion as we acknowledge this first ever graduating class of its kind. And despite the fact that all of you achieved this feat while working fulltime throughout the three year duration of the program is proof of your dedication, commitment and hard work. For this we salute you and congratulate all of you. Your success is the success of our nation."

PCC President added: "I would like to thank Professor Sitaleki Finau, Dr. Apenisa Ratu, Dr. Giuseppe Cuboni and Mrs. Miriama Leweniggula of the Fiji School of Medicine for their vision in establishing this program and for meeting the needs of Palau's health care professional. Finally a special thanks to Dr. Dever who is the thread that ties everyone together."

Congratulations to Nurses: Margrina Aderiano RN, Ucherriang Aderkeroi LPN, Lorraine Beketaut LPN, Willa Damian LPN, Jane Decherong LPN, Maureen Kuroda LPN, Mesiwal Madlutk LPN, Madeline Masaru LPN, Jackson McBride LPN, Ingeang Rimirch LPN, Violet Solang LPN, and Dr. Sylvia Osarch, DCHMS

Diaz Donates Proceeds to PCC Endowment Fund



Mr. Diaz and PCC President Tellei

Mr. Alfonso Diaz, successful Radio DJ and Entrepreneur and longtime friend of the College donated part of the proceeds from his sales during the 9th Festival of Pacific Arts to the PCC Endowment Fund. During the Festival, Mr. Diaz's Booth was located in front of the College and was centrally located so he could spread the news of the Festival throughout Palau. Mr.

Diaz challenges his fellow entrepreneurs who had booths on campus during the Festival to follow his lead and give back to Palau's only institution of higher learning, PCC. The College would like to thank Mr. Diaz for his kind donation and for the many years of faithfully reading out the Mesekiu (PCC's Newsletter) during his morning radio talk shows. Thank you Mr. Diaz for sharing your wonderful news with PCC and Palau. Goodbye Diokang!

PCC To Present to OEK



PCC President Patrick U. Tellei is slated to present a formal presentation to the Olbiil Era Kelulau (National Congress) for budget hearings. Such a presentation seeks to inform the OEK on the College's yearly progress and to solicit their guidance on the direction of how the College can work closely with Palau's leaders to better improve the College so that it may continue to provide the best educational opportunities for Palau's students. This process is also a way for the College to provide an open line of communication to our national leaders so that they are kept up to date on the latest happenings of PCC. This harmonious relationship is a key factor in the overall success of the College. In working closely with the OEK, the College ensures that the mutual goal of meeting the educational needs of our children our met.

PCC Library Has The Right News For You!

PCC Library staff members are in the process of reviewing the library's collection of books, periodicals, and other resources. We would like to encourage all instructors and faculty to please come to the library and take a look at the collection for his or her subject area. We would appreciate any feedback on what items need to be withdrawn or updated, as well as any new purchases that we should make to improve the collection. Please let us know what we can do to better meet your needs and the needs of our students. If you have any suggestions for withdrawals, updates, new purchases, or anything else let us know. We are always happy to hear from you. Thank you for your help.

PCC Library would like to encourage all library patrons to take advantage of our online access to EBSCO, sponsored by PREL. This service allows patrons to access current and past issues from thousands of academic journals, popular magazines, and newspapers through EBSCO online databases. This is an excellent research tool for students, faculty, and all patrons looking for reliable information from reputable sources.

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2. In the "Need to do research?" box, click on Log In.
3. In the Patron ID field, enter "palau".
4. Click Log In.
5. Select a database and begin searching!

Need help? No problem! If you need research assistance or would like to schedule a research consultation, please contact the librarian.

PCC Says Goodbye to Former English Instructor

The College would like to wish a warm good bye to Edolem Ikerdeu who has been with the PCC's English department as an instructor since 1997. Ms. Ikerdeu will be departing the college to expand her horizons as she has been selected as the Risk Communicator and Health Researcher for the Ministry of Health. Ms. Ikerdeu was a dedicated and hard working teacher whose presence will be greatly missed by her fellow colleagues and students.

Ms. Ikerdeu stated: "I had a great experience working here at the College, I learned a lot and I got to meet a lot of wonderful people, especially, the students. Although I will miss working at PCC, I look forward to the challenge of starting a new career and enjoying new experiences. PCC will always be a part of me and I will always cherish the fond memories we shared."

PCC President Patrick U. Tellei stated, "Ms. Ikerdeu is a great example of a young Palauan woman who gave so much to her community through her love of teaching. She was an excellent teacher who brought out the best of her students by challenging them to do their best. Ms. Ikerdeu taught them more than learning better grammar or how to become better students, she taught them how to become better human beings"

PCC President added: "On behalf of Board of Trustees, Administration, faculty and students, I wish Ms. Ikerdeu the best of luck on her career and future endeavors. I know she will continue her work for the community with the Ministry of Health with the same dedication, hard-work and commitment she demonstrated here at the College."

BITS AND PIECES...

Deepest Condolences to PCC Staff Member...

The College wishes to express its deepest condolences to fellow PCC family member, Dean of Academic Affairs, Alvina Timarong as she faces the untimely loss of her sister. Let us all come together as we express our deepest sympathies on the passing of her dear sibling.

PCC Welcomes Japanese Students from APU...

The College would like to welcome the faculty and students from the Asia Pacific University's (APU) College of Asia Pacific Studies who will come to PCC to conduct their research. The delegation from Japan will be arriving to Palau this August 11, 2004 and will consist of one faculty member, Mr. Professor Nobuyuki Hatada and his six students. The students are Junko Yasuda, Yosuke Kobayashi, and Aya Kushihara. Lee Ye Jin, Chiaki Migimatsu and Megumi Takeda. The delegation will stay at the PCC Dormitory and will depart on September 5. PCC welcomes our friends from Japan and looks forward to strengthening the already warm relationship the College shares with the Asia Pacific University.

PCAA Conducts Training at PCC

The College would like to acknowledge and express its gratitude to the Palau Community Action Agency's (PCAA) organization for conducting their Computer Network training class here at the Palau Community College's Continuing Education Office. PCAA began conducting its training seminar this past Monday. The goal of the training is to teach its personnel, staff and teachers how to utilize the new computer network PCAA will establish throughout its Head Start Program. The PCAA will soon have the capability to establish an online network so that teachers as well as staff may access each other's databases via the network. This will provide a communication link whereby teachers may teach, share and disseminate information more effectively and efficiently. Thanks PCAA for choosing PCC as a location for your seminar.

The College's CE Office offers a wide variety of educational program for everyone in the community. The programs and services are mostly non-credit, short-term training designed to meet the respective training needs of program participants. Participants range from individuals currently in the workforce who are looking to refresh or upgrade their skills, or others wanting to learn a specific skill needed to qualify for a job. Past training programs included computer applications, bio-terrorism preparedness, basic library skills as well as English Reading and Writing and Mathematics for elementary students. Whether you are learning computer skills, traditional woodcarving or conducting a training seminar, the CE Office has the program for you. Please call our friendly staff at the CE Office at 488-2471 on how we can serve the needs of your children, your office or your community.

Delegation from Kosrae Donates Traditional Canoe



PCC President Accepts Canoe on behalf of the College During Hand over ceremony

PCC expresses its thanks to the Delegation from the Kosrae State of the Federated States of Micronesia who attended the 9th Festival of Pacific Arts for donating their handcrafted traditional canoe to the College. This three-man canoe, which was built in just a few days, is a symbol of Kosraen culture and their seafaring heritage. The Canoe was a gift to the College as a token of their appreciation for hosting the Kosraen Delegation during their stay here in Palau. During a formal hand-over ceremony held at the Japan-Palau Friendship Bridge, the gift was given to PCC President Patrick U. Tellei who accepted the gift on behalf of the College. The canoe is currently on display at the College's Diangel (Canoe House) located at the Btelul a Chang ra Idederach down toward PCC's automotive area. The College thanks the Kosraen Delegation and wishes them a safe journey home to Kosrae.

Deadline for Scholarship Opportunities in One Week!

This is an announcement reminding all graduating high school seniors and current PCC students from Palau who will be attending PCC this coming school year 2004-2005, that applications for the following PCC based scholarship programs are available at the PCC Development Office:

Moylan's Insurance Underwriters, Inc. Scholarship
Prince Leeboo Scholarship
Shell Company (Pacific Islands) Limited Scholarship
Pierantozzi Scholarship
Roman Tmetuchl Scholarship

Application packets are to be completed and submitted to the PCC Development Office no later than Friday August 13, 2004, the deadline date. For more information about these abovementioned scholarship programs, contact PCC Development Office at telephone number 488-2471, extension 253.