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PALAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE ANNUAL CONVOCATION HIGHLIGHTS A YEAR OF PROGRESS AND REFLECTION



PCC STAFF ATTENDING THE ANNUAL CONVOCATION

On Friday, August 14, 2026, Palau Community College (PCC) held its annual convocation at the newly renamed PCC Auditorium, previously known as the Cafeteria. The event gathered over 150 faculty and staff members to welcome new team members and honor those who have made significant contributions to the college. A moment of silence was observed in memory of the late Master Navigator Sesario Sewralur, recognizing his valuable impact on the college, the community, and the greater Pacific region.

President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei opened the program with welcoming remarks, providing an inspiring overview of PCC's history. He traced the college's

roots back to the Mokko Totei Yoseisho school, established in 1926 during the Japanese colonial era, highlighting its evolution into the institution we know today. As PCC approaches its centennial celebration, plans are underway to commemorate this significant milestone, reflecting on the rich history of its first graduating class from Mokko Totei Yoseisho in 1927.

During the convocation, various individuals presented updates on the college's current initiatives, plans, and achievements, giving the college staff and faculty insights into PCC's progress and future direction.

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DR. SOALABAI AND DANNY BUXANI OF GLOBUS TRADING COMPANY ALONGSIDE PRESIDENT TELLEI

Palau Community College extends its deepest gratitude to Globus Trading Company for its recent \$3,000 donation to the PCC Endowment Fund.

Earlier this year, around March, they also made a \$5,000 donation to the PCC Endowment Fund.

Globus Trading Company is not only a supportive ally of PCC but also invests in various schools throughout Palau. Their contributions are vital in ensuring that the schools can continue to offer quality education and resources for many years ahead. This partnership underscores the strong community ties and a shared commitment to enhancing education in Palau.

PCC is truly grateful for Globus Trading Company's commitment to higher education and its impact on shaping the futures of students.

AHEC and PCC Hosts Successful Health Career Summer Internship Program



PALAU AHEC DIRECTOR DR. GREGORY DEVER AND HIS TEAM ARE JOINED BY PCC VP OLEGERII AND STUDENT PARTICIPANTS, CELEBRATING THE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE HEALTH CAREER SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Palau Community College (PCC), in collaboration with the Palau Area Health Education Center (AHEC), proudly hosted a successful Health Career Summer Internship designed to introduce local high school students to the dynamic field of healthcare.

This impactful program showcased the power of inter-agency collaboration, providing participants with an invaluable hands-on experience. Palau AHEC took the lead in student recruitment, outreach promotions, and coordination efforts with the Ministry of Health and Human Services (MHHS). Meanwhile, PCC's Continuing Education (CE) team efficiently managed administrative operations, distributed incentives such as custom shirts and stipends, and organized essential CPR and First Aid training through the Palau Red Cross. The support from the Ministry of Health and Human Services and Public Health was instrumental, as they provided critical clinical settings for the interns.

The program concluded in a formal Closing Ceremony held at the PCC Assembly Hall on Friday, July 24th,

at 10:30 AM. The event was led by Wililah F. Xavier, who served as the master of ceremonies. It began with an invocation by Director Masao and included welcoming remarks from Jay Olegeriil, PCC's Vice President of Administration & Finance and Acting Dean of Academic Affairs. Dr. Gregory Dever added special remarks, further emphasizing the importance of the program before the interns took the stage to present their summer experiences.

Certificates of completion were awarded to nine outstanding participants: Kimora Aderkerori, Denisse Basilius, Blessing Feliciano, Dechel Ngirblekuu, Peace Adaba, Landisang Ngiramenglor, Dominique Borres, Kedengel Kenty, and Azumi Pedro. The ceremony concluded with closing remarks from Hedrick W. Kual, Dean of Continuing Education, who celebrated the success of this initiative aimed at nurturing the future medical workforce of Palau.

This program not only equipped students with essential skills but also inspired them to explore careers in healthcare, paving the way for a brighter future for both the interns and the community.

Accreditation updates were shared by ALO VP Jay Olegeriil, providing a refresher on PCC's current accreditation status. In 2023, the College underwent a comprehensive review, and its accreditation status was reaffirmed for another seven years. To date, Palau Community College has been accredited by ACCJC-WASC for 47 years, with the next comprehensive review scheduled for 2030. Currently, the Accreditation Steering Committee is collaborating closely with ALO and AALOs to prepare a midterm report for ACCJC that is expected to be submitted early next year. Additionally, IR Analyst Ligaya Sara shared information on the Institutional Standard Assessment, the first-year report card for the 15-year master plan, and IAC updates. After the first year of the cycle, PCC is proud to announce that objectives within the plan are being met; one objective has been completed, and none are off-track.

Director Masami, on behalf of VP Kitalong, shared highlights and ongoing projects from the Cooperative Research & Extension department. Among these is the ongoing Mesei 101 class for the community, which supports local hatcheries by providing rabbit fish fry and more.

The event concluded with each division sharing project highlights and success stories, celebrating the commitment to over 400 students enrolled this semester. As the institution moves forward, there is growing excitement for the ongoing centennial celebration, along with a strong dedication to student success, which remains a top priority in its mission.

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ACADEMIC CALENDAR

SEPT 07 (M)
LABOR DAY (HOLIDAY)

SEPT 30 (W)
LAST DAY TO REMOVE INCOMPLETE
GRADES FOR SPRING 2026

PCC'S CONVOCATION 2026



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FACULTY AND STAFF FROM THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS DIVISION WITH PCC-BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CHAIRPERSON ALVINA TIMARONG. CHAIR TIMARONG IS A FORMER DEAN OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS.

Vacancy Announcement

(1) Bookstore Clerk

Bookstore

Salary Range: \$10,101 - \$17,983 per annum

(2) Library Assistant - Two (2x)

PCC Library

Salary Range: \$7,800 - \$13,852 per annum

(3) Field Assistant - Two (2x)

Cooperative Research & Extension

Salary Range: \$7,800 - \$13,852 per annum

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transferrable media and
marketing skills? Volunteer with
the PCC Development Office. Stop
by at the Dort building to sign-
up.

Celebrating Birthdays

August 21 - August 27, 2026



ALUMNI NOTES

Logan Decherong



Logan Decherong earned an Associate of Science degree in Information Technology from PCC in Summer 2026. He has enrolled and will be furthering his education at Eastern Oregon University. Congratulations, and we wish him continued success in all future endeavors!

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