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COLLEGE OF MICRONESIA LAND GRANT PROGRAM – BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING



COM-BOARD OF REGENTS WITH PARTNER INSTITUTION PRESIDENTS AND PCC-CRE TEAM

Palau Community College (PCC) is glad to host the College of Micronesia Board of Regents (COM-BOR) meeting at PCC from August 25 to 28, including facility tours. The College of Micronesia offers Land Grant Programs across Micronesia through PCC and other colleges. Designated as the Land-Grant college in 1980, COM supports Extension, Research, and Residential Instruction programs funded by federal grants.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture regulates these programs, which are overseen by COM's Board of Regents based in Pohnpei. With a \$3 million endowment established in 1985, COM connects with networks of institutions for access to education and resources. Attendees included: BOR Chairman Dr. Emais Roberts, BOR Vice Chairperson Ms. Lynn Sonden, BOR Secretary/Treasurer & RMI Minister of Education Hon. Gerald Zackios, COM Land Grant

Exec. Director Mr. Stanley Lorennij, Associate Director Dr. Manoj R.Nair, EFNEP Coord./Exec.Asst. Mrs. Margaret Weital, Chief Finance Officer Mr. Doman Daoas, Communications and IT Officer Mr. Betson Ifamilik, Exec. Secretary/HR Mrs. Leriha Lebehn-Johnson, COM-FSM CEO & President Dr. Theresa Koroivulaono, COM-FSM Vice Pres. Mr. Steven Young-Uhk, COM-FSM Exec. Officer to the President Mrs. Lisa Nathan Dereas, COM-FSM Kosrae Kristle Melander, COM-FSM Chuuk Branch Mr. Jason Reyong, COM-RMI Interim President Meitaka Kendall-Lekka, RMI CRE Vice Pres. Dr. Adedayo Ogunmokun, RMI CRE Director Mr. Lajkit Rufus, PCC Pres. Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, PCC CRE Vice Pres. Dr. Christopher Kitalong, and PCC CRE Director Masami.

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHT



SPC STAFF AND THE COHORT POSE FOR A PHOTO OP DURING THE COMPLIANCE TRAINING AWARDS CEREMONY

Palau Community College (PCC) proudly celebrates the successful completion of its 8-week Professional Certificate III in Community Fisheries Compliance training program. Beginning June 16, the program included an in-person orientation, seven weeks of interactive online learning, and a final week of in-person Competency-Based Assessments at PCC. Facilitated by the Pacific Community (SPC) in collaboration with PCC's Continuing Education Department, the training strengthened participants' knowledge and skills in fisheries monitoring, control, surveillance, and enforcement. Ten participants from various government and state entities successfully completed the program and received certificates following PCC's Annual Convocation on August 14 at the PCC Auditorium. PCC congratulates all participants for their dedication to strengthening local capacity and protecting Palau's marine resources for future generations.

SS 139 Introduction to Constitutionalism Course at PCC



STUDENTS ATTENDING THE SS 139 COURSE AT PCC ASSEMBLY HALL

Palau Community College (PCC) is thrilled to announce the SS 139 course titled "Introduction to Constitutionalism" for the Fall 2026 semester. This course has garnered significant interest, with 57 students already registered. It serves as a prerequisite for both the Bachelor's program through San Diego State University and the Pacific Master's in Education (PACMED) through UH-Manoa. The aim is to provide students with a solid understanding of democratic constitutionalism, covering essential topics such as the separation of powers and individual citizen rights.

Among the students enrolled, 29 are pursuing their Bachelor's degrees, while 24 are aiming for a Master's in Education. Additionally, four have chosen to take the course for personal enrichment. The diverse range of students includes many current educators and professionals from the education sector, underscoring the course's relevance to their careers.

Leading the course is Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, the President of PCC, who has a strong background as a delegate in the 2nd Constitutional Convention in 2005 and extensive knowledge of Palau's history and governance.

Palau Community College President Meets With Fall Semester Students



PATRICK U. TELLEI, PRESIDENT OF PCC, ENGAGES WITH STUDENTS AT THE PCC ASSEMBLY HALL MEETING

From August 18 to 21, 2026, Palau Community College (PCC) Student Services hosted a series of meetings for all new, continuing, transfer and returning students for the Fall Semester 2026. The purpose of these biannual meetings was to provide meet the students and to provide college updates from PCC President Dr. Tellei regarding college programs and services, as well as to introduce ongoing initiatives and plans aimed at supporting student learning.

This meeting also included a historical overview of the college since it was established as PCC in April 1993. Notably, the college's Centennial Anniversary is being

The SS 139 course allows students to explore constitutionalism and examine Palau's constitution, providing insights into the nation's democratic framework. It represents a significant opportunity for PCC to educate future leaders and informed citizens of Palau.

celebrated throughout the year leading up to May 2027. PCC traces its origins back to the establishment of Mokko Totei Yoseisho in 1926, with its first graduation taking place in 1927. As a result, this upcoming commencement ceremony marks 100 years since that milestone.

In his remarks, President Dr. Tellei expressed his gratitude to the students for choosing PCC and encouraged them to study diligently, assuring them that the college is committed to supporting them academically and socially throughout their educational journey.

Joining President Dr. Tellei to offer relevant information about the college's services were Acting Dean of Students Isumcheraard Ngirairikl, Student Life Counselors, Financial Aid Technicians, and Learning Resource Center staff. PCC warmly welcomes all new, continuing, transfer, and returning students to the Fall Semester 2026!

BITS AND PIECES

TAN SIU LIN PCC LIBRARY

Hours of Operation

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

Friday
7:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Closed On Sundays

*Closed on National Holidays

For more information, call:
488-3540

Available To Interested

Readers:

ROLLING STONE



The "BTS: Back on Top" May 2026 issue of Rolling Stone serves as the definitive chronicle of the group's highly anticipated global reunion. Following their period of military service and individual solo endeavors, the feature captures the group reassembling at the HYBE headquarters in Seoul to launch their next chapter.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

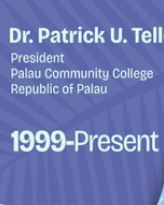
SEPT 07 (M)
LABOR DAY (HOLIDAY)

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

CENTURY OF BUILDING STRONGER COMMUNITIES



FROM MOKKO TO PCC SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR

 Gosuke Yokota Director General South Seas (Nanyo-cho) Japanese Administration 1923-1931	 Wilhelm R. Rengiil Principal, Palau Vocational School - 1962-1963 Interim Director, Micronesian Occupational Center - 1972-1981 President, Micronesian Occupational College - 1981-1986 Trust Territory Era - College of Micronesia 1962-1986	 Rev. Billy G. Kuartei Interim President Micronesian Occupational College College of Micronesia 1986-1986
 Masayuki Matsuda Director Mokko Totei Yoseijo Japanese Administration 1932-1933	 Max Jones Director Micronesian Occupational Center Trust Territory Era 1968-1970	 Francis M. Matsutaro President, Micronesian Occupational College - 1986-1993 President, Palau Community College - 1993-1997 College of Micronesia - Republic of Palau 1986-1997
 Hisao Hayashi Director Mokko Totei Yoseijo Japanese Administration 1933-1936	 Norval Marsh Director Micronesian Occupational Center Trust Territory Era 1970-1972	 Mario H. Katosang Interim President Palau Community College Republic of Palau 1998-1998
 Sadang N. Silmai Principal Palau Intermediate School Trust Territory Era 1948-1955	 Henry J. Hoff Director Micronesian Occupational Center Trust Territory Era 1981-1981	 Dr. Patrick U. Tellei President Palau Community College Republic of Palau 1999-Present



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

For more vacancies and to apply,
please visit:

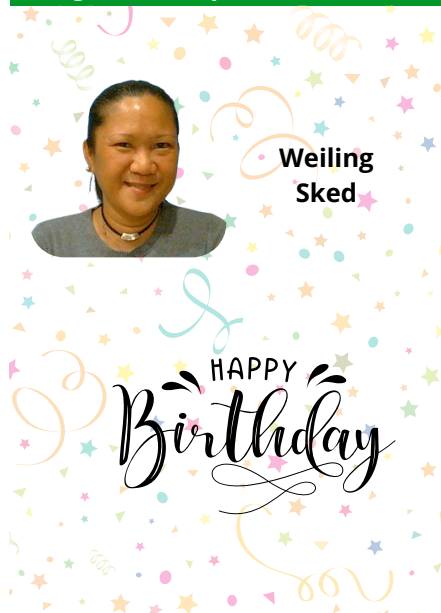
<https://pcc.palau.edu/about/jobs-pcc/>

"PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer."

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

Celebrating Birthdays

August 28 - September 03, 2026



ALUMNI NOTES

Masao K. Asanuma



Masao K. Asanuma earned an Associate of Science degree in Business Administration from PCC in Summer 2026. He is currently working at the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Environment. Congratulations, and we wish him continued success in all future endeavors!

PCC ENDOWMENT

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If you want to join the Bi-Weekly Allotment Program, **Contact Us Now!**



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 pccdev@palau.edu

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

PCC MERCH AVAILABLE @ PCC BOOKSTORE

(BACKPACK, LANYARD w/ ID HOLDER, POCKET NOTEBOOK, & Shirts)
NEW - PCC UMBRELLA

