



# Report to the Board of Regents



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April 6, 2021, Zoom Meeting



## DEPARTMENT FOR INSTRUCTIONAL AFFAIRS

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## Accreditation News: ACCJC WASC approves college to offer courses through distance learning

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC), Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), approved the college to offer courses through distance learning on February 24, 2021. ACCJC approved 24 programs to be offered, including the baccalaureate degree in Elementary Education.

The Substantive Change Proposal and response by ACCJC are located at Accreditation [Reports Archive](#) on the college website.



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### Career & Technical Education Center (CTEC)

#### New AFT instructors

In January 2021, CTEC welcomed two new instructors for its Agriculture and Food Technology (AFT) program: Mr. Fredo Espiritu and Mr. Alvie Cabanez. Hiring these two instructors was paramount for CTEC since the AFT continues to attract many students. This program engages well and frequently with the community.



On February 1, 2021, the AFT Instructors met with Mr. Mark Kostika, Chief of Agriculture for Pohnpei State. Additionally, AFT instructor Espiritu met with Adams Family farmer to discuss subject on the same day. In both meetings the discussions around internships and accommodating interns were received and approved. Afterwards the Instructors met with Micronesian Conservation Trust (MCT) and Cooperative Research and Extension (CRE) on the same subject matter. Again in both meetings the responses were supportive and favorable.

#### International license for utilizing GSES® training curriculum

The Global Sustainable Energy Solutions Pty. Ltd. (GSES), Pacific Power Association (PPA), Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH (GIZ) and Adapting to Climate Change and Sustainable Energy program (EU-GIZ ACSE) have entered into a partnership to provide training and resources to institutions within the Pacific Islands



through Pacific Community (SPC). In March 2020, CTEC's two electrical instructors and Pohnpei Utilities Corporation (PUC) technicians participated in an intense week long industry certification training on installation and troubleshooting of Ingrid Solar System.

The two CTEC electrical instructors were certified; hence making the college's CTEC becoming one of the few institutions eligible to use the curriculum from the training. As such, on February 23, 2021, an agreement was signed between Global Sustainable Energy Solutions Pty. Ltd. (GSES) and the college permitting CTEC electrical instructors to access and use GSES® curriculum in the Associates of Applied Science in Building Technology, Electrical program. This curriculum also prepares students for the European Union Pacific Technical and Vocational Education Training (EU PactVET) Certification Levels 3 & 4 through SPC.



*"I wish to express appreciation for the work that the College undertook to prepare this Application for Substantive Change. The Commission encourages the College's continued work to ensure educational quality and to support student success."*

**Kevin Botenbal, EdD**  
Vice President, ACCJC

## Kosrae Campus



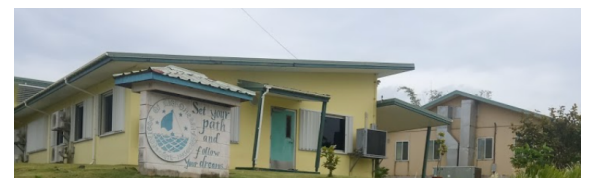
### Special science seminar series

Dr. Nick Zoa, world-renowned seismologist and researcher, commenced with a series of special science seminars hosted by Kosrae Campus. Each seminar topic lasted about 45 minutes with a 15-minute session for Q & A. Some topics covered during this reporting period included Cosmology: Our Universe, Dark Matter, Dark Energy; Geology of Kosrae; and History of Mankind: How people finally came to Micronesia.

### Land Grant and faculty building roofing project

Despite the drawbacks and countless obstacles encountered during these difficult times, TE Construction Company was able to finally complete the Land Grant and Faculty Building roofing project during this reporting period. On March 4, 2021, Director Francisco Mendiola, Mr. Alfred Olter, and Dean Mike held a zoom meeting with Mr. Swinston Siba, TE Construction Company representative to close-out the roofing project.

## Yap Campus



### Schoology Group to improve communications

Yap Campus created a group for all employees who have access to Schoology this spring 2021. The Schoology Group is where to post announcements/updates and continue to keep in touch with students/staff/faculty. This has proven to be a great way to reach out to students to share and exchange information. Students have a higher rate of response compared to communicating with them via email.

### Tutoring services

- 228 students enrolled at Yap Campus last fall 2020 semester. Of these 228 students, 227 registered for credits while one was just auditing a class.
- Of these 227 students, only 219 students completed the term (eight students completely withdrew the term).
- Of these 219 students, 162 (or 74%) earned semester GPA of  $\geq 2.0$ ; while, 57 (or 26%) with semester GPA of  $< 2.0$ .
- Additionally, 186 (or 85%) of these 219 students completed the semester in good academic standing (CumGPA of  $\geq 2.0$ ); while 33 (or 15%), not in good academic standing (CumGPA  $< 2.0$ ).
- 143 students enrolled in the campus' tutoring program. Of these 143 students, 123 (or 86%) completed the semester in good academic standing; while 20 (or 14%), not in good academic standing.

## MISSION STATEMENT

The College of Micronesia-FSM is a learner-centered institution of higher education that is committed to the success of the Federated States of Micronesia by providing academic and career & technical educational programs characterized by continuous improvement and best practices.



**Chuuk Campus**



**Dual enrollment for high school students**

Seven seniors from Chuuk High School are enrolled at Chuuk Campus under the college's dual enrollment program for high school students. Each is taking two courses: one in English Reading, and one in English Writing. Since they are still high school students, they are not eligible for Pell grant; as such, Chuuk State Department of Education is paying for their tuitions and fees.

**First baccalaureate graduates**

Six students from Chuuk Campus graduated the Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education program last fall 2020. The six graduates represented the first batch of students from the campus who graduated from college's baccalaureate program. This semester, three students from the campus are potential program completers from the BS in Elementary Education program.

**Renovations at Chuuk Campus**

VPAS Joseph Habuchmai and Director Mendiola have secured funding for the repair and renovation of the following buildings at Chuuk Campus:

Building	Description	Cost of Repair and Renovation
C	MITC and classrooms	\$ 30,000.00
D	Campus Dean's Office	10,000.00
K	Learning Resources Center	40,000.00
<b>Total Cost of Repair and Renovation</b>		<b>\$ 80,000.00</b>

**FSM Fisheries and Maritime Institute (FSM FMI)**



**New school bus**

FSM-FMI new bus arrived from Japan on January 30, 2021. The 28-passenger bus can accommodate larger group of cadets to support the increasing field trips mainly for off campus practical training activities.

**FSM-FMI Hapilmohol crew workshop**

A two-day workshop on the Standards of Training, Certification, and Watch-keeping (STCW) onboard training record book was conducted at FMI from January 6 to 7, 2021. Participants included MV Hapilmohol captain, chief engineer, officers, and FMI instructors. The coronavirus implications for shipboard cadets, crew, and passengers were also discussed to best prevent the further spread of COVID-19 onboard. The workshop was facilitated by the acting campus dean and senior instructors.

**Shipboard training**

The second round of shipboard training for ten first year cadets commenced on the first week of January 2021 supervised by TA Belsman Hagileiruw. The training objective is for cadets to complete their master / engineer class 6 STCW onboard training requirements.

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**SPRING 2020 AND SPRING 2021 COURSE OFFERINGS**

Campus	In Number of Courses				Faculty, Spring 2021				Total Faculty (N)
	Spring 2020	Spring 2021			Full-Time		Part-Time		
		Online	In Person	Total	Count	% of N	Count	% of N	
National	177	0	27	27	2	100%	0	0%	2
CTEC	82	0	13	13	2	67%	1	33%	3
Chuuk	62	0	11	11	0	0%	3	100%	3
Kosrae	42	0	2	2	0	0%	0	0%	0
Yap	37	0	7	7	0	0%	1	100%	1
Online	0	259	0	259	79	92%	7	8%	86
<b>Total</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>95</b>



**Learning Resources Center (LRC)**

The mission of the College of Micronesia-FSM library (including media and instructional technology services) is to serve the students, faculty, staff and other college community members in providing reader, instructional, media and technical services to meet their educational needs and interests and provide opportunities for lifelong learning.

**Annual Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) Survey**

The LRC completed the annual Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) survey. This survey compiles a national overview of the overall resources and impact of academic libraries and helps libraries present data that demonstrate the value provided to the institution and beyond.

**Chinese Embassy Donates Learning Materials to the College**

The LRC received a donation of more than 200 newly published books and DVDs from Chinese Embassy Mrs. Zhao Yinguang, wife of the Chinese Ambassador to the FSM.



**Programs and Services**

Campus	Patron Usage	Reserves	Circulated Materials	Visitors	Computer Use	Technical Assists	Reference Assists	Volumes
National	2,439	46	200	-	1,495	51	18	73,100
CTEC	632	-	23	8	714	17	5	4,553
Chuuk	852	-	49	-	852	11	13	11,198
Kosrae	426	-	15	-	426	6	4	4,436
Yap	474	1	24	8	367	19	3	11,563
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,823</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>3,854</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>104,850</b>

**CRE | Cooperative Research and Extension**

**Extension Program Initiation**

Cooperative Research and Extension (CRE) is submitting the following Extension Program Initiations to COM-Land Grant for approval and uploading to USDA-NIFA online reporting system. These streamlined programs will address relevant and specific issues for FSM under the approved Plan of Work:

- Lack of Local Food Production and Food Insecurity
  - Enhancing local crop production
  - Improved swine production
- Sustainable Aquaculture Development
  - Hatchery-based large-scale production and grow-out training for commercially important sand fish in Micronesia
  - Hatchery and capture-based production of giant clam and rabbitfish to support and establish sustainable aquaculture farming in Yap
- Youth and Family Issues in the Communities
  - Addressing youth and family issues in the FSM

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