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maintaining good hygiene, social distancing, and others. About 40 students and 20 faculty and staff from the National Campus and the Career & Technical Education Center (CTEC) attending the sessions.

Kosrae Scholarship Forum, Kosrae Campus, February 26, 2020

Kosrae Scholarship Committee conducted a forum on Kosrae Scholarship to students at Kosrae Campus.



AusAid, K National Campus & CTEC, February 26 & 28, 2020

Australian Embassy in Pohnpei organized two separate sessions about the Australian Aid (AusAid) Scholarship Opportunity, the requirements and application processes. About 24 students and two staff from the National Campus and the Career & Technical Education Center (CTEC) attending the sessions.



Instructional Affairs: Spring 2020 course offerings

Campus	Number of Sections				Faculty Members				N
	Spring 2019		Spring 2020		Full-Time		Part-Time		
	Count	%Diff	Count	%Diff	Count	% of N	Count	% of N	
National	190	177	-13	-7%	38	83%	8	17%	46
CTEC	33	42	9	27%	11	73%	4	27%	15
Chuuk	92	82	-10	-11%	22	81%	5	19%	27
Kosrae	61	62	1	2%	14	93%	1	7%	15
Yap	30	37	7	23%	8	62%	5	38%	13
Total	406	400	-6	-1%	93	80%	23	20%	116

ACCJC reports due

The following annual Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) reports were due March 3 and April 3, 2020, respectively:

- ▶ **Directory Update** – submitted February 24 – 28, 2020.
- ▶ **Annual Academic Report** -submitted before end of March 2020. This report will be posted on the college webpage under accreditation - [report archives](#).
- ▶ **Annual Fiscal Report** - due April 3, 2020.
- ▶ **Substantive Change for the Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education** follow-up visit is scheduled for the week of April 27 – May 1, 2020. A three-member team consisting of ACCJC President Stephanie Droker, ACCJC Commissioner Kevin Bontenbal, and a faculty member from Cuesta College will be conducting the visit through a Zoom call one day that week.

Update on Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education

The University of Guam Partnership Bachelor's in Elementary Education ended December 2019 with 13 students graduating.

COM-FSM began the Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education fall 2019 with 13 students – nine at National Campus and four at Chuuk Campus.

Spring 2020 enrollment in the program is 15 at National Campus, ten at Kosrae Campus, with at Chuuk Campus and eight at Yap Campus for a total of 41 students.

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Radio Station

On February 6, 2020, the Telecommunication Program at the college's Career & Technical Education Center (CTEC) in Kolonia, Pohnpei, upgraded the college's radio station. Through its partnership with United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), CFE was able to receive funds to purchase a new radio transmitter and antennae. The upgrade will increase the radio station's coverage to reach up to a seven-mile coverage.

The Telecommunications Program will use the radio station as hands on learning for its course learning objectives, and CFE will use any operating surplus from the advertisement fees to fund other projects. The radio station will also be used to advertise college programs with



China Aide/COM-FSM farm

Since the CFE started oversight the farm, the dining hall has received a total of \$9,205.54 worth of produce from the farm. The pig farm has also produced 19 piglets for the month of February and is expected to have approximately 70 piglets from the six sows currently at the farm.



UPDATES Department for **Instructional Affairs**

National Campus

Google Techstars Startup Weekend was hosted for the first time by the College of Micronesia-FSM in partnership with the University of Guam Professional Master of Business Administration (PMBA) Cohort XV, November 7-9, 2019. Seven Micronesian islands and 30 teams across the region participated (Guam, Saipan, Palau, Chuuk, Kosrae, Yap and Pohnpei).

Techstars Startup Weekend is the place to look for a team, create a prototype of an idea, validate your business idea, and receive feedback from experienced entrepreneurs. The primary goal is to spur economic activities in Micronesia. Startup Weekend is associated with the Google Techstars Startup Weekend that is said to be the world's largest



*18 students were admitted in fall 2019 and only nine enrolled as full time BS students while the rest were completing TYC TPE requirements

Winners were announced for each state, but one team in Pohnpei also won overall among the seven island winners. Team members are Bernarda Mathias, Yolanda Waltu, and Yuchi Leopold. This team created Drop & Drop – a delivery service that will bring to Pohnpei residents anything from food items to laundry. In January, the team receives \$5,000 in seed funding courtesy of Bank of Guam to start its

Chuuk Campus

First Trial Counselor Program Cohort

The first cohort in the Trial Counselor Program at Chuuk Campus completed last Fall 2019. Program participants and family held a short graduation ceremony on December 20, 2019. There were ten who actually completed the program including two employees of the college, and a father and a son. The graduates included two employees of the State Attorney General's Office, two employees of the Micronesian Legal Services Office, and two employees of COM-FSM Chuuk Campus.

Dual Enrollment at Chuuk High School

The second cohort in the Dual Enrollment Program started Spring 2020 semester. We had five in the first cohort, and we have seven in this second cohort. Four are enrolled in ESL 089 and ESL 099. Two are enrolled in EN 120a and ESL 089, and one is enrolled in EN 120a and EN 110. Since these have not yet graduated from high school, they are not Pell eligible. The Chuuk State Department of Education, like for the first cohort, will pay for all expenses (tuition and all fees).

Embedded Tutoring and Compressed Schedule

\Chuuk Campus continues to utilize embedded tutoring. Starting Fall 2018, we have been doing compressed schedule along with embedded tutoring in the two 100-level math courses, MS 100 and MS/ED 210a. An advantage for students in the compressed Math is, there is an opportunity for those students with Ds and Fs to make up. The instructor gives them additional work and one-on-one tutoring on the SLOs they did poorly in, and has them retested. Students are continuously involved in the classes and they don't have many chances to slack off or even withdraw. Before they get discouraged, the courses ended and most, if not all, passed.

This is what the math instructor shared about the compressed scheduling, and embedded tutoring. The following are only informal observations:

Description of implementation of the compressed schedule in MS 100 and MS 210 in Chuuk.

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Campus	TYC in Pre-Teacher Prep-Elementary				BS in Elementary Education					
	Admission		Enrollment		Applicants		Admission		Enrollment	
	2019.3	2020.1	2019.3	2020.1	2019.3	2020.1	2019.3	2020.1	2019.3	2020.1
National	11	7	25	19	22	7	18	6	9*	15
Chuuk	3	0	11	11	25	0	3	7	4	8
Kosrae	7	4	21	30	9	5	2	8	0	10
Yap	0	0	11	5	0	9	0	8	0	8
Total	21	11	68	56	56	21	23	29	4	41

Career & Technical Education Center (CTEC)

Refrigeration & Air Conditioning (RAC) Program

RAC program acquired new tools, equipment, and video systems from the Institute for Governance and Sustainable Development (IGSD) grant through our partnership with FSM DECEM. RAC association in Pohnpei, on March 5 & 6, 2019, received new refrigerant training. This new technology is flammable thus this training is very critical because this new technology has greater and higher safety requirements.



Electrical Program

CTEC faculty from the electrical program received industry certification training in modern solar systems, which covers Ingrid and net metering. This training is part of a current MOA with SPC. CTEC electrical program has been identified by SPC has the solar system training venue for FSM in support of the FSM's energy plan.



Electronics Technician Association (ETA) Certification

20 electronics students received industry certifications from Electronics Technicians Association (ETA). This certificate authenticates their capacity to perform electronics technician work and functions. Similarly, about 10 students also received CISCO Networking Academy certification evidence their ability to perform networking and



FSM Fisheries & Maritime Institute

- ▶ Rowing boat christened “President Daisy” launched at PBC boat ramp in Colonia. The rowboat was named in honor of former president Joseph Daisy as a farewell



- ▶ Spring Semester 2020 Training activities enhanced:
 - Fieldwork experience (1st year engineering cadets) at YFA and Public works. This is from Monday to Thursday (0900 to 1600 hrs) for eight weeks;
 - Shipboard training (1st year navigation / fishing cadets) on MV Hapilmohol for eight weeks;
 - Field work experience (2nd year cadets) at YFA and Yap weather station from Monday to Thursday (1300 to 1600 hrs);
 - Fieldwork experience (2nd year cadets) at YSPSC Power plant from Monday through Friday (1300 to 1600 hrs). This involved four cadets per week on a rotational basis.
 - Shipboard training and fieldwork experience activity is an eight weeks duration
- ▶ FMI cadets performed marching and color guards opening during the pre Yap day youth night at the Yap museum site.



Yap Campus

- ▶ Yap Campus celebrated Student Awards Day on December 9, 2019 to award and recognize students for the following achievements: Perfect Attendance, Most Outstanding in individual class, and Most Improved. Top students were given prizes in addition to certificates of recognition.
- ▶ Yap Campus celebrated its Fall 2019 graduation ceremony on December 18, 2019, at the classroom block building with eight graduates in TYC-Teacher Prep-Elem., one in AA-LA, and six in Certificate of Achievement in Food Technology.
- ▶ CPART continues at Yap High School with monthly presentations to the seniors focusing on college prep, guidance, and counseling. This is a collaborative effort between the two campuses to foster college readiness and recruitment.

Learning Resources Center (LRC)

- ▶ LRC staff from each campus library participated the 29th Annual PIALA Conference in Guam from November 21-26, 2019.
- ▶ The LRC completed and submitted its data for the IPEDS survey as well as for the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) surveys in February.
- ▶ Michael Williams completed his internship at the National Campus library from January to February.

Programs & Services	Chuuk	CTEC	Kosrae	National	Yap	Total
Patrons usage	7,932	4,110	2,937	50,020	3,611	68,610
Reserves	1	3	-	134	5	143
Materials circulated	187	128	143	1,475	462	2,395
Visitor usage	4	17	-	9	180	210
Computer use	3,273	1,342	1,330	18,263	1,572	25,780
Computer assists	12	66	35	487	81	681
Reference transactions	17	7	30	282	32	368
Library instruction	17	41	-	62	24	144
Number of sessions	1	2	-	4	2	9
Total volumes	11,120	4,509	4,466	72,573	11,354	104,022

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- ▶ The duration of the course ranges from 8 - 9 weeks or until all SLO's are finished.
- ▶ Students are encouraged to work closely with the instructor and the tutor in doing their class exercises and worksheets.
- ▶ After accomplishing all course SLO's, the final exam is administered and final grades are computed.
- ▶ Those who failed the course are offered individual voluntary extended instruction.
- ▶ The CSLO/s where the student failed are identified and the student is given additional instruction on them. Extended instructions are individual (one on one) either with the instructor or the tutor. When the tutor/instructor feels that the student is ready, the student is given make up worksheets and test/s.

Observed advantages:

- ▶ It decreases withdrawal from the class. Since the class is finished almost at the same time as the "withdrawal with a W" time, it decreases the chances for students to withdraw from the course.
- ▶ It provides ample time to finish all course CSLOs.
- ▶ It provides a chance for extended instruction for failing students and increases passing rate. Results of the first implementation of the compressed schedule in Fall 2018 were only 2 students failed. One student refused to through voluntary extended instruction and opted to repeat the course. The second student stopped attending the class without withdrawing.
- ▶ Better attendance is observed in the compressed schedule. This maybe because the students are used to everyday class coming from ACE math or MS 099.

Experienced disadvantages:

- ▶ The compressed schedule makes instructor teaching time hectic. A Math instructor implementing two compressed classes and carrying 15 credits including MS remedial course (5 credits) teaches 4 hours on MWF and 6 hours on TTh
- ▶ I don't hear any student complaints but I observed that there are times that they become tired. We are solving this problem by scheduling test and worksheets on Thursday and giving them a long weekend (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday) after a major test (a unit test that covers the one whole CSLO). This is why the compressed schedule ranges 8 - 9 weeks.

Recommendation

Cooperative Research & Extension (CRE)

Outreach Programs

A total of 1,779 adults and 2,151 youths benefited from participating in CRE programs during the reporting period. Chuuk Campus CRE had the highest number of people (adults and youths) who received hands-on trainings and technical advice and assistance.



Photo of participants during the Extension Climate Change Forum conducted in Chuuk on January 20-21, 2020. The Forum brought together local agencies, stakeholders, and communities to discuss the various impacts of climate change.

Workshop on Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle

The training/meeting workshop on “Addressing the Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle (CRB) Infestation/Threat in the Northern Pacific Islands” on November 25-26, 2019 in Pohnpei brought together 49 participants from the Pacific region including FSM, Marshall Islands, Palau, Guam, CNMI, Fiji, and Samoa. With FSM and Marshall Islands remaining as the only two countries without CRB