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Guam Community College Cosmetology instructors and students were recognized on Wednesday, January 3, 2024, with a Legislative Certificate for their hard work and time in the “Taking Hair and Combing Together for Relief” feel-good community effort, post Typhoon Mawar. The legislative certificate was sponsored by Senator Dwayne T.D. San Nicolas who recognized their outstanding contributions to the community outreach clinics; and commended instructors and students for their efforts in assisting our community after the devastation of the typhoon. The effort started on June 20, 2023 and ended on July 25, 2023, with 315 free haircuts to Guam residents in need of a break from the reality of post-typhoon clean up and recovery. Altogether the dollar value of the haircuts reached \$11,025.

Students who received certificates were Keith Nauta, Harry Cruz, James Jones, Jeremiah Kintoki, Rolani Rivera, Momilani Mafnas, Ronalyn Macagba, Justine Chargualaf, Hailey Dirige, Jerrica Manley, Deanna Weger, Rihanna Balajadia, Dominic Cruz, Julio Torres, Myka Guiking, Jhontel Dorion, Kristin Chloe Darapiza, Hyobin Chun, Leanne Consolacion, Makailah Taliman, Juliana Santos, Angeli Dayrit, Alexandra Pajela. Instructor Janice Trina Aguon was also presented with a certificate.

Celebrating Cultural Exchange

Reflecting on the Successful ESL Immersion Program with Korean Students at GCC

Article & Photos Submitted by: Eric Ji, Associate Professor, Hospitality & Tourism (TPS)



We are delighted to reflect on the successful conclusion of the English Second Language (ESL) Immersion Program that brought 12 students from Korea to our campus from January 8th to January 18th. This program was more than just an educational venture; it was a celebration of cultural exchange and community spirit at GCC.

During their visit, the Korean students attended ESL Immersion classes, integrating seamlessly with our students in a vibrant learning environment.

The interactions within the classrooms were a fusion of language learning and cultural exchange, providing an enriching experience for both our Korean guests and GCC students.

The heartwarming welcome and interaction extended by our community members were commendable. The program saw numerous instances of students spending time together, not only in academic settings but also enjoying the social aspects of campus life. These shared experiences fostered friendships, enhanced cultural understanding, and created memories that transcend borders and language barriers.

The involvement of the GCC community played a pivotal role in making this program a success. Our students and faculty demonstrated the inclusive spirit of GCC, making our Korean guests feel at home. This program was a testament to the power of collaboration and the importance of embracing cultural diversity.

Reflecting on these two weeks, it's clear that the program achieved more than its educational goals.

It strengthened the bonds of international friendship and showcased GCC as a place where cultural diversity is not just celebrated but forms the core of our community spirit.

We are grateful to everyone who participated and made this program a memorable and rewarding experience for our Korean friends.

Your support and enthusiasm were crucial in fostering a global community and making GCC a place where cultural exchange thrives. We look forward to hosting more of this programs in the future and continuing to build bridges across cultures.



JFKHS National Technical Honor Society Induction Ceremony

Information & Photos Provided By: Eva Marie L. Mui, LPN; GCC Allied Health Instructor, JFKHS



A total of 17 Guam Community College Career and Technical Education secondary students were inducted to the National Technical Honor Society John F. Kennedy High School Chapter 1067 on Saturday, January 20, 2024 at the GCC Multipurpose Auditorium.

Of the 17 students, nine are with the Allied Health program, four under Marketing, 1 with ProStart, two Telecommunications, and one with Hospitality & Tourism Management. Grade levels for the students were from 10th through 12th.



NTHS is an educational non-profit that exists to honor, recognize, and empower students and teachers in Career & Technical Education. As the honor society for Career & Technical Education, NTHS serves over 100,000 active members annually in both secondary and postsecondary chapters across the country.

The NTHS - JFKHS Chapter 1067 was first chartered on February 11, 1996. It was reinstated in 2014 by Carol Cruz, Assistant Professor, Hospitality and Tourism Management, and Rose Marie Nanpei, GCC Counselor. Today, there are 50 active members, including the new inductees. Members of the JFKHS Chapter participate in numerous community service events throughout the island as well as in school by providing service learning hours to their fellow students.



Accreditaion Update

Update Provided by: Dr. Virginia C. Tudela, VPAA & Accreditation Liaison Officer

As we prepare for our visit, it is important to keep deadlines in mind so please take note of these critical updates that will help us complete GCC's Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (ISER) on time:

- February 16 - Standards Committee Draft 2 submission
- March 1 - ISER Draft 1 posted on MyGCC for review and feedback
- March 15 - Feedback from stakeholders due to the VPAA's office via email:
gcc.vpaaoffice@guamcc.edu
- March 19 - Standards Committees receive Draft 2
- April 1 - College Assembly - Presentation of ISER Highlights
- April 1-12 - ISER Draft 2 post on MyGCC for review and feedback
- April 15-19 - Final edits are made to ISER Semi-Final Draft
- April 22-30 - ISER approval through the governance process: Faculty Senate, Staff Senate, College
Governing Council (CGC) and Board of Trustees (BOT)
- August 1 - ISER submission to ACCJC
- October 25 - Team ISER Review: Standards Validation/Core Inquiries (off-campus site)
- Spring 2025 (Week of March 3) - Focused Site Visit Core Inquiries (on-site)
- June 2025 - Commission Action

I humbly encourage all stakeholders, administrators, faculty, staff, and students, to contribute valuable input to the ISER review process before our ACCJC submission. These important dates are intended to keep us focused on our goal to complete tasks on time. However, as we move forward, we may adjust timelines, as necessary or appropriate. Thank you for keeping accreditation our highest priority this academic year.

STANDARD COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULES

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard 1 - Every Thursday, 2pm - 3pm,
President's Conference Room (PCR).
Chair - Dr. Michael Chan
Co-Chair - Dr. Anthony Jay Sunga • Standard 2 - Every Friday 2pm - 3pm,
President's Conference Room (PCR).
Chair - Marivic Schrage
Co-Chair - Dr. Marsha Postrozny-Torres | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard 3 - Every Tuesday, 2pm - 3pm,
Student Support & Administration
Conference Room (SSA).
Chair - Apolline San Nicolas
Co-Chair - Carl Torres II • Standard 4 - Every Friday, 10am - 12pm,
President's Conference Room (PCR).
Chair - Carol Cruz
Co-Chair - Dr. Julie Ulloa-Heath |
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Truck Driving Bootcampers Celebrated

Guam Community College recognized 16 individuals for successfully completing the Truck Driving III and IV Bootcamps, on Tuesday, January 30, 2024 at the GCC Multipurpose Auditorium.



Bootcampers participated in classroom instruction, simulation training and actual live-driving instruction and training, to prepare them to pass the Department of Revenue and Taxation Division of Motor Vehicle's Class C License exam. In addition, upon successful completion, participants will receive certificates of completion in OSHA-10, Heartsavers (CPR/First Aid), Work Ethics, and WorkKeys®.

Latino H. Santos, Bootcamp III Completer stated that his experience with the bootcamp was not an easy task but he was glad that he signed up for it. "I started this bootcamp in 2021 and we were all still going through the COVID-19 pandemic and me and my fellow boot campers were separated for safety," said Santos. "It wasn't easy on my partner as well, Stacia Mariano. She just gave birth to our son, Titus, and she had to hold down the fort while I went to the bootcamp. I know this wasn't easy for her either."

GCC's Continuing Education and Workforce Development program secured employer sponsors that have offered successful completers jobs within their companies: Smithbridge Guam, Inc.; Guahan Waste Control, Inc. dba: Mr. Rubbishman; JL Baker & Sons; CTSI Logistics Guam; Ambyth Shipping & Trading, Inc.; Ambros Inc.; and Hawaiian Rock Products.

"Truck driving is very vital to our economy," said Dr. Mary A.Y. Okada, GCC President. "During the COVID pandemic one of the things we recognized was if we don't have truckers on the road then the goods aren't going to get from the Port to where we need them, in the stores. We are thankful to you successful truck driving boot campers for signing up for this and sticking with it. But I really also want to recognize your family and support team for being there for you so you can finish this boot camp."

"Programs like this really help uplift our entire community. We need you in the workforce. All of these higher education models have a common thread, that common thread is higher education has the ability to uplift our lives and bring opportunity to all of us," said Senator Amanda Shelton, Committee Chairperson for the Committee on Higher Education, 37th Guam Legislature.

February Campus Events & Meetings

Information On This Page Provided by GCC Students, Faculty, Staff and Administrators

- 02 - Program Review Training in Nuventive Improvement Platform, Bldg. D #D3, 10 a.m. - 12 noon & 2 p.m - 4 p.m. (Click [Here](#) to Register)
- 13 - Board of Trustees Meeting, LRC, 12 noon
- 09 - Program Review Training in Nuventive Improvement Platform, Bldg. D #D3, 10 a.m. - 12 noon & 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. (Click [Here](#) to Register)
- 13 - Meet the President, Multipurpose Auditorium (Bldg. 300), 4 p.m.
- 13 - Mardi Gras Mask Day!
- 14 - Ash Wednesday
- 14 - Meet the President, Multipurpose Auditorium (Bldg. 300), 4 p.m.
- 14 - Happy Valentine's Day!
- 14 - Practical Nursing Student Association's Valentine Grams
- 28 - College and Career Night, Multipurpose Auditorium (Bldg. 300), 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
- 29 - Veterans Club Lunch Sale, Veterans Lounge (Foundation Bldg.), 12 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.



2024 GovGuam CoEd Basketball Tournament

The Team GCC game schedule will be shared with the Campus Community upon its receipt!
Best of Luck to TEAM GCC!



Happy Retirement!!

Information Provided by GCC Human Resources Office



Emma Roque Bataclan

BSN, Registered Nurse

Nurse Emma shared 16 years of her service and friendship with GCC. She retired on January 7, 2024. Before her life here at GCC she spent 13 years with GDOE.

Congratulations!

February 2024 Employee Birthdays

Information Provided by: GCC Human Resources Office

- 02 - Dolores Bordallo, Assistant Professor, Technology - Electronics
- 02 - Edsel Pingol, Refrigeration Mechanic II, Facilities & Maintenance
- 07 - James Fathal, Program Specialist, Student Support Services
- 07 - Joseph Bamba, School Aide II, Student Support Services
- 08 - DarylInn Sablan, Accountant I, Business Office
- 09 - Arwen Franquez, Instructor, Criminal Justice Social Science - SSS
- 09 - Rosemarie Aquinde, Program Coordinator, Planning & Development
- 10 - Theresa Ann Datuin, Professor, Math & Science - Math
- 11 - Juanita Sagambelluri, Librarian Technician Supervisor, Learning Resource Center
- 14 - Patrick Maloney, Program Specialist, Development & Alumni Relations
- 15 - Francine Galao, Instructor, Cosmetology
- 17 - Linda Santos-Torres, Accountant II, Business Office
- 18 - Patrick Quichocho, Electrician II, Facilities & Maintenance
- 19 - Francine Topasna, Instructor, Adult Basic Education
- 20 - Roderick Angay, Instructor, Technology & Electronics - Technology
- 21 - Dorothy-Lou Duenas, Associate Dean, School of Trades & Professional Services
- 21 - Atsue Crane, Admin Aide, Assessment, Institutional Effectiveness & Research
- 23 - Antonia Cabatic, Word Processing Secretary II, Technology & Student Services
- 24 - Fredrick Tupaz, Assistant Professor, Bus & VisCom - Supervision & Management
- 26 - Michelle Randale, Instructor, Bus & VisCom - Supervision & Management
- 27 - Darlene Sanchez, Emergency Instructor, Bus & VisCom - Marketing
- 27 - Apolline San Nicolas, Chief Human Resources Officer, Human Resources Office
- 28 - Yvonne Tam, Associate Professor, Bus & VisCom - Marketing

January 2024 - New Hires



Jovimar Gallo
Admin. Aide
Student Support Services

Natalia Chargualaf
Program Coord. I
Continuing Education &
Workforce Development



Christopher Charfauros
Admin. Aide
TPS Dean's Office

Shonna Nededog
Admin. Aide
Student Support Services



Welcome to GCC Spring 2024 Semester!



Photos By: Angela Cabrera, Graphic Artist Technician III, Office of Communications & Promotions

Student Corner

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CAMPUS WIDE SPIRIT WEEK
February 12 - 16, 2024

- 2/12 Wear Your Team Colors
- 2/13 Wear a Mardi Gras Mask Day
- 2/14 Wear Pink or Red
- 2/15 "Friendship Day" Wear Something Yellow
- 2/16 "Spread Kindness Day" Share Acts of Kindness While Wearing a GCC Logo

While we encourage creativity and enthusiasm in dressing up, we must keep in mind the diverse perspectives and backgrounds within our workforce. The overall effect of your choice of attire and accessories. Let's make this spirit week a fun and inclusive experience for everyone at GCC.

Valentine's Gram

\$7.00
1 Red Crochet Rose,
1 Chocolate Bag & Stickers

Optional add-on:
\$4.00 per Crocheted Rose
\$3.00 per Chocolate Bag

To be delivered on February 14, 2024
or picked up at the Allied Health Building from
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Contact us on our Instagram Page @gcc_pnsa or any
Practical Nursing Student for purchase or more info.

Guam Community College
English Department Tutoring
Spring 2024 | Room E201

Services Offered

- General assignment tutoring
- Talking through ideas
- Grammar & mechanics
- Reviewing teacher feedback

RAISE DOUGH

10% OF YOUR PURCHASE WILL BENEFIT
GUAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE
PRACTICAL NURSING
MARCH 15/16/17, 2024
8:00 AM - 1:00 PM
PIEOLGY DEDEDO & TAMUNING

ORDER ON: STORE, ONLINE, OR VIA THE PEE LIFE APP!
PRESENT THIS PLACER TO THE CASHIER TO RECEIVE DONATION CHECK!

COLLEGE & CAREER NIGHT
FAMILY ROADMAP
Exploring College and the Workforce
FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS & TEENS

February 28, 2024
6:00 - 7:30 PM
GCC Multipurpose Auditorium
(Building 300)

Join us for a session on College and Career Readiness!
Here's a chance to learn about resources and opportunities that await you after high school. Whether you're headed for college or diving straight into the workforce, we've got you covered.

MEET THE
PRESIDENT

- MULTIPURPOSE AUDITORIUM (BLDG 300)
- TUESDAY, FEB. 13 & WEDNESDAY, FEB. 14
- 4:00 PM

Dr. Mary A.Y. Okada
GCC PRESIDENT

Reach For College
Join Us For Tutoring Spring 2024

UNLOCK YOUR ACADEMIC POTENTIAL WITH PERSONALIZED SUPPORT.

OUR DEDICATED REACH FOR COLLEGE TUTORS ARE HERE TO HELP YOU SUCCEED.

Connect with us!

- GCC Student Center (Building 5000) Room 5204
- Call 671-735-5641 - Ext 1122
- guamcc.edu/reachforcollege

DON'T MISS OUT! SEE OUR SCHEDULE BELOW

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8:00-12:00	8:00-12:00	8:00-12:00	8:00-12:00	8:00-12:00	Virtual by
1:00-5:00	1:00-5:00	1:00-5:00	3:00-5:00	1:00-5:00	APPT.

WELCOME NEW & RETURNING STUDENTS!
WE PLANNED ACTIVITIES FOR YOU THIS SPRING!
STAY UPDATED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FUN.
CONTACT US TO GET INVOLVED!

WE WISH YOU ALL A GREAT SEMESTER!

COPSA
Council on Postsecondary Student Affairs

671-735-8887 ext. 5518/5519

Uplift
Counseling Services

Wellness Support to GCC Students & Staff

Who Are We?
At Uplift Counseling Services, we believe in a holistic approach to help individuals navigate their journey in the healing and recovery process. Our vision is to deliver compassionate, meaningful, and culturally sensitive care that empowers individuals and their families to overcome barriers and significant life challenges.

We are here to help and listen. We provide:
Individual Counseling Support, Outreach & Advocacy, and Professional Consultation Services

Meet our behavioral health care providers on campus or at our Uplift Counseling Center located at 665 Marine Corp. Drive Ste. 102 Tamuning.

Contact us at 671-989-1962 or by emailing uplift@westcare.com



To post a student event or announcement please email trina.sanagustin@guamcc.edu by the 25th of every month.

GUAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE

PRESIDENT'S LIST (FALL 2023)



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Lee Alvarado

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Jared Kier Anulao

Angelica Jane Roces Arca

Krisha Mae De Leon Austria

Kristan Jay Ollet Ayson

Rica Marian Yaya Bacani

Allan Calitung Barecante

Frances Alexandra Lopez Barredo

Ruby Jaime H. Basaliso

Cameron Jae P. Bernardo

Mark Anthony Mia Bias

Lois Joelle Guarra Bisnar

Aldwin J.B. Blanco

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Mei Chu Yeh

Dominica Rulyan Yiluy

GUAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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 Richelle Pineda Bamba
 Luisa Ilustrisimo Banaga
 Renzo Cruz Bansil
 Jefferson Leonard Laxamana Batac
 Mark Gil Zagada Bearis
 Ivy Dawn Belo Blanco
 Jayden Dre Blas
 Leonard Christian R. Calilung
 Jason Balatayo Casas
 Arilaine Fernandez Celso
 Kyle Nathen Chandler
 Maria Fatima Alisuag Clemente
 Destiny Jozaphine Anicia Crafton
 Ron Evan I Cruz
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 Lance Hiruma Dela Cruz
 Renz Jeryl Mejorada Delambaca
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