# **History of the College**

Guam Community College is a public postsecondary educational institution, created by Public Law 14-77 in 1977 (as amended by P.L. 31-99 in 2011) to strengthen and consolidate career and technical education (CTE) on Guam. The College operates secondary and postsecondary CTE programs, adult and continuing education, community education, and short-term specialized training. These programs are delivered both on and off-campus, in satellite programs and on site at businesses as needed. The College also serves as the State Board of Control for career and technical education under the United States Vocational Education Act of 1946, 1963, and subsequent amendments, and the 2016 Carl D. Perkins Act. The College offers over 30 courses of study, and prepares students for entry into the workforce, or transfer to four-year colleges and universities with advanced standing in professional and technical degree programs. The College offers a variety of community service and special programs to prepare students for college experiences, including adult education (English as a Second Language, Adult Basic Education, and Adult High School) and HiSET® and GED® high school equivalency exams.

## **Vision**

Guam Community College will be the premier educational institution for providing globally recognized educational and workforce development programs.

# **Mission Statement - Board of Trustees Policy 100**

Guam Community College is a leader in career and technical workforce development, providing the highest quality, student-centered education and job training for Micronesia.

Sinangan Misión (Chamorro translation):

Guiya i Kulehon Kumunidåt Guåhan, i mas takhilo' mamanaguen fina'che'cho' yan i teknikåt na kinahulo' i manfáfache'cho' ya u na' guáguaha nu i manakhilo' yan manmaolek na tiningo' ni i manmafananågui yan i fina'na'guen cho'cho' para Maikronesiha.

### **Core Values**

### **Diversity**

We value an engaged, inclusive culture that embraces diverse points of view and collaboration to accomplish the College's common goals.

### Accountability

We value a culture of institutional and individual responsibility, transparency, and continuous assessment and improvement.

### Service

We support and recognize service at all levels of the College. We strive to contribute to the benefit of the College, students, community, and our neighboring islands within Micronesia.

## Integrity

We hold high standards of character and integrity as the foundation upon which the College is created.

#### **Learning-Centered**

We foster intellectual flexibility, knowledge, and skills by integrating teaching, assessment, and learning to promote continuous improvement of our programs and services to support our scholarly community.

#### Student-Focused

We are committed to education, inquiry and service in order to meet our students' ever growing and changing needs. We promote lifelong learning, civic and social responsibility, leadership, and career growth.

#### **Regional Accreditation**

Guam Community College is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACCJC), 10 Commercial Blvd., Suite 204, Novato, CA. 94949, phone (415) 506-0234, fax (414) 506-0238. ACCJC is an institutional accrediting body recognized by the Commission on Recognition of Postsecondary Accreditation and the U.S. Department of Education. Documents describing the accreditation of the College may be examined at the Vice President for Academic Affairs' office. Please contact the Vice President for further information or to make arrangements to examine the accreditation documents.