

COLLEGE OF MICRONESIA-FSM

P.O. Box 159, Palikir, Pohnpei Federated States of Micronesia 96941 www.comfsm.fm

Phone: (691) 320-2480/2481/2481 Fax: (691) 320-2479

Office of the VP for Instructional Affairs

July 7, 2020

Stephanie Droker, Ed.D.
President
Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges
Western Association of Schools and College
10 Commercial Boulevard, Suite 204
Novato, CA 94949

Dear President Droker,

This letter serves to notify ACCJC the College of Micronesia-FSM will be offering courses through distance education for fall 2020. The college uses Schoology as the LMS where documentation of online learning is available and the course syllabus must have scheduled interactions. The college has established the following definition for regular and substantive interaction.

A faculty member assigned to teach the distance learning course must initiate regular and substantive interaction. Regular interaction is defined as scheduled interaction with students at least two times per week for fall and spring semesters and three times per week for the summer session. Substantive interaction is defined as interactions connected to the subject of the course and contribute to the students' progress toward course, program and institutional student learning outcomes. Examples of substantive interactions include but are not limited to:

- Effective feedback to students written comments, audio or video notes, individual conferences (more than 'good work', 'needs improvement' or assigning a grade);
- Online discussions and chats pose guiding questions related to academic subject; propose
 counterpoints or alternative points of view students may not be considering; establish
 connections among students' ideas; and provide encouragement for students who may be
 struggling;
- Regularly scheduled online review sessions, tutorials, office hours, or individual appointments (usually synchronous for review sessions);
- Course materials (ex. Recorded webinars, videos, and reading materials) which facilitate synchronous or asynchronous interactions AND require the student to contact the instructor or participate in an online discussion moderated by the instructor.
- Instructor announcements to the class regarding course content and upcoming assignments.

List of programs offered online for fall 2020

Bachelor of Science in:

• Elementary Education

Associate of Arts in:

- Liberal Arts
- Liberal Arts/Health Career Opportunity Program*
- Micronesian Studies
- Pre-Teacher Preparation

Associate of Science in:

- Business Administration
- Computer Information Systems
- Marine Science*
- Public Health
- Agriculture and Natural Resources Management*
- Hospitality and Tourism Management

Associate of Applied Science in:

- Electronic Technology
- Telecommunications

3rd Year Certificate in:

- Teacher Preparation-Elementary
- General Business
- Public Health

Certificate of Achievement in:

- Trial Counselor
- Bookkeeping
- Secretarial Science
- Public Health
- Electronic Engineering Technology
- Agriculture and Food Technology*

Other courses:

General Education; developmental reading, writing and math

*Sciences with labs – lectures online and labs face-to-face.

Sincerely,

Karen Simion,

Interim President

Karen Simion