

**College of Micronesia - FSM
Institutional Priorities FY 2008**

Introduction

The institutional priorities for FY 2008 guide major improvement efforts for the College of Micronesia - FSM. The institutional priorities form a basis of allocation of resources (human and financial) to support improvement efforts of the college and are a foundation for reporting on the college to the Board of Regents, FSM national government and other key stakeholders.

Institutional Priorities for FY 2008

1) Communications, governance and technical assistance

- a) Enhance linkages between the college and elementary and secondary programs through partnerships between the college and state and national departments of education and related national and state departments agencies with emphasis on improving readiness of students for college.
- b) Increase dialogue, information exchange and providing of technical assistance with external stakeholders in regard to economic and social development needs, program development, service delivery, funding for students and the college, and the World Park.
- c) Fully implement the communications and governance policies by establishing necessary processes and procedures and improvement plans in line with WASC recommendations, emphasis on enhancing the information technology aspects, and inclusion of specific provisions for participation of and by the Student Body Association (s) and Faculty/Staff (s) senates.
- d) Enhance sustainable management and utilization of the natural resources of the FSM and human/community improvement through research and extension in the environmental, agriculture and food sciences in response to national and state economic and social development plans and priorities.

2) Instructional and student services

- a) Continue improvement of developmental education with emphasis on assessment and evaluation of student progress of existing programs and development of and training for improved programs and delivery techniques.
- b) Based on the program evaluations for student's services, prioritize enhancement of tutoring and counseling services to students.

3) Fiscal and facilities

- a) Improve fiscal stability of the college through seeking external support of foundations and governments in addition to U.S. federal education programs.
- b) Continue to upgrade college facilities in line with the facilities master plan and to enhance the college environment for a learning centered institution of higher education.
- c) Secure Chuuk campus permanent site.

4) Continuous improvement

- a) Complete development and implement of recruitment and retention plans.
- b) Evaluate implementation and impact of the strategic plan.
- c) Enhance information technology capacity through training in the college's new Student Information System (SIS) and continuing improvement of the technical infrastructure of the college.
- d) Continue and evaluate implementation of the institutional assessment system for all programs and services of the college with emphasis on training needs of faculty and staff.