

Micronesian Studies A.A. Program Evaluation

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Program Goals

The stated goals of the Micronesian Studies A.A. Degree Program are to:

1. Give students a solid knowledge and understanding of Micronesian history, society, government and politics, economy and culture
2. Provide a relevant terminal degree program for Micronesian students
3. Prepare students for employment, particularly in government & education
4. Prepare students for transfer to a four-year college

Program History

The Micronesian Studies A.A. Degree Program was established in 1999 and had its first graduates in 2001.

Program Courses & Requirements

In addition to the standard General Education Core Requirements, Micronesian Studies Majors must take the following courses

SS101 Introduction to Political Science
SS120 Introduction to Geography
SS125 Pacific Geography
SS195 Micronesian Cultural Studies
SS200 Research Methods
SS205 Micronesian Government & Politics
SS212 Economy of Micronesia
SS220 Contemporary Issues in Micronesia
SS289 Directed Studies

Program Faculty

John Haglegam – B.A. University of Hawaii; M.A. Harvard University
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Current Program Enrollment Levels

The Micronesian Studies A.A. Degree Program currently has 50 majors.

Current Number of Graduates

The Micronesian Studies A.A. Degree Program has produced a total of 59 graduates since its inception in 1999. Of these 59 students

- 13 or 22% of the total 59 graduates successfully transferred to a four-year college
- 19 or 32% of the total 59 graduates are currently employed
- 10 or 16% of the total 59 graduates are employed as teachers
- 9 or 15% of the total 59 graduates are employed in non-teaching positions

In our survey of these 59 graduates we could find no post-COM graduation data on 21 or 35% of the total.

Below is a summary of our graduates

Note: This list was compiled by Program Coordinator Mariana Ben-Dereas using OAR records and her own record book. The current transfer and employment status of students was obtained through e-mail updates from students, from places of employment, and from relatives. As noted earlier, there are some students for which we have no data on their current transfer or employment status, but our student tracking rate is very good.

Summer 2001

1. **Bardelas, Rachel** (No data)
2. **Elieizar, Neylon** – Currently working in law enforcement in Las Vegas, Nevada
3. **Haimin, Lover** – Currently attending USP Fiji for B.A. Management/Public Administration on an AusAid Scholarship
4. **Houmarek, Christiano** – Got a scholarship to Japan where he completed a certificate in Micronesian Marine Resources, currently at Eastern Oregon University
5. **Obed, Pedra** – Currently teaching at Ohmine Elementary School
6. **Rebalmwai, James** – No data

Fall 2001

1. **Umwech, Suda** – Went on to complete the COM-FSM Third Year in Elementary Education Certificate

Spring 2002

1. **Albert, Isaac** – Currently attending UH Hilo majoring in Political Science
2. **Bernard, Madley** – No data
3. **Finik, Achena** – Transferred to UH Hilo and recently completed a B.A. degree in Anthropology with a minor in Sociology

4. **Peter, Jimmy** – Currently working for the Pohnpei State Police
5. **Shotara, Kaison** – Currently teaching at Iras Elementary School
6. **Taweriling, Luke** – Currently attending UH Hilo and majoring in Political Science
7. **Waltu, Silvester** – Currently teaching at Enipein Elementary School

Summer 2002

1. **Waithog, Gwenda** – No data

Fall 2002

1. **Commor, Dallas** – Currently teaching at Fefen Elementary School
2. **Rug, Nolan** – Currently teaching at Ulithi High School
3. **Salomon, Berney** – Currently attending UH Hilo majoring in Political Science
4. **Seymour, Harrison** – Currently attending UH Hilo majoring in Political Science

Spring 2003

1. **Alfred, Walfred** – Currently teaching at Saladak Elementary School
2. **Benjamin, Gary Dale** – Currently attending UH Hilo majoring in Political Science
3. **Damien, Dosuo** – Currently teaching at Saladak Elementary School
4. **Koichy, Otinia** – Completed COM-FSM Third Year Elementary Certificate and is currently teaching at Southern Noumineas High School
5. **Route, Ippolite** – Currently teaching at Nanpei Elementary School
6. **Route, Mary** – Currently teaching at Peleng Elementary School
7. **Sanechik, Melida** – Currently working for the COM-FSM Girl's Dormitory
8. **Sigrah, Tatchuo** – Currently attending UOG majoring in Political Science with a minor in Psychology
9. **Talley, Dayson** – No data
10. **Usiel, Hadley** – No data

Fall 2003

1. **Clarence, Valdis** -- No data
2. **Dolon, Mihpel** – No data
3. **Ioanis, Sucyang** – No data
4. **Segalmal, Coleman** – Currently attending UH Manoa majoring in Psychology
5. **Seymour, Jenny** – Currently working for Chinese construction company in Pohnpei
6. **Welles, Bruce** – Currently working at Continental Airline Cargo
7. **Yangirelig, Marcellino** – Plans to attend UH Manoa in Spring 2006
8. **Booth, Gorman** – No data

Spring 2004

1. **Falurag, Doreen** – Currently working as a Yap State Immigration Officer
2. **Illai, Shinobu** – No data
3. **Ioanis, Mihter** – No data
4. **Joseph, JohnBenfin** – No data
5. **Sonis, K.S.** – No data
6. **Yatchdar, Maryjane** – Currently attending UOG
7. **Robert, Rudson** – Currently working as a Pohnpei State Court Clerk –

Fall 2004

1. **Welly, Joab** – Passed the Kosrae State Bar, currently attending UH Hilo majoring in Political Science
2. **Aizawa, Deana** – Currently attending UOG majoring in Political Science
3. **Ifamilik, Iunida** – No data
4. **Mangitogyaro, Isaac** – Currently attending UH Hilo majoring in Political Science
5. **Manyer, Manyer** – Currently working for Chuuk Public Health in HIV Awareness
6. **Phillip, Claude** – Currently working as a legal trainee for the Kosrae Public Defender, plans to attend UH Hilo in the Spring to major in Political Science
7. **Inos, Jaymie** – Currently teaching at Nanpei Elementary School

Spring 2005

1. **Choay, Kelly** – No data
2. **Linglemog, Nathaniel** – No data
3. **Narruhn, Miguel** – No data
4. **Samor, Atias** – No data
5. **Kilaswasru, Lazarty** – No data –
6. **Immanuel, Maynard** – No data

Summer 2005

1. **Soumwei, Jason** – Currently enrolled in the COM-FSM Third Year Elementary Education Program
2. **Sog, Maria** – No data

Micronesian Studies Program Outcomes Matrix

1. Demonstrate the ability to read, speak and write effectively in English about Micronesian Studies Program course content. (SS101, SS120, SS125, SS195, SS200, SS205, SS212, SS220, SS280)
2. Demonstrate the ability to think critically about Micronesian Studies Program course content. (SS101, SS120, SS125, SS195, SS200, SS205, SS212, SS220, SS280)
3. Demonstrate basic geographical literacy of the Micronesian region. (SS150, SS120, SS125)
4. Demonstrate basic historical literacy of the Micronesian region. (SS150, SS195, SS205, SS212, SS220)
5. Demonstrate basic cultural literacy of the Micronesian region. (SS150, SS195, SS205, SS212, SS220,
6. Demonstrate a practical knowledge of the structure and function of government in the FSM. (SS101, SS150, SS205, SS212, SS220)
7. Demonstrate a practical knowledge of the main social, political and economic issues in the FSM. (SS101, SS150, SS195, SS205, SS212, SS220, SS280)
8. Demonstrate the ability to perform research using both written and electronic materials. (SS101, SS120, SS125, SS195, SS200, SS205, SS212, SS220, SS280)
9. Demonstrate the ability to write research papers. (SS280)
10. Demonstrate an appreciation of the requirements of good citizenship in the FSM. (SS101, SS150, SS205, SS212, SS220)

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MICRONESIAN STUDIES MAJOR

Name: _____ State/Republic _____

Date of First Test	Placement Test				
	English Listening/Speaking	English Structure	English Reading	English Total	Math

GENERAL EDUCATION CORE REQUIREMENTS

English (9 credits)

EN 110 Advanced Reading 3____
 EN 120a Expository Writing I 3____
 EN 120b Expository Writing II 3____

Mathematics (3 credits)

MS 100 College Algebra **OR** 3____
 MS 101 Algebra and Trigonometry 3____
depending on placement test

Natural Sciences (7 credits)

A science course w/lab **AND** 4____
 A non lab science **or** agriculture 3____

Social Sciences (3 credits)

SS 150 History of Micronesia 3____

Computer (3 credits)

CA 100 Computer Literacy 3____

Humanities (3 credits)

Any course in Art, Music, History, Philosophy, Language may be taken to meet the Humanities requirement. 3____

Physical Education

1____

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

SS 101 Introduction to Political Science 3____
 SS 120 Introduction to Geography 3____
 SS 125 Pacific Geography 3____
 SS 195 Micronesian Cultural Studies 3____
 SS 200 Research Methods 3____
 SS 205 Micronesian Govt. & Politics 3____
 SS 212 Economy of Micronesia 3____
 SS 220 Contemporary Issues 3____
 SS 280 Directed Study 3____

ELECTIVES – 6 Credits

3____
 3____

GRADUATION REQUIREMENT

62 Credits