College of Micronesia - FSM Strategic Plan 2006 - 2011

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Background

The College of Micronesia – FSM is a two year, English language speaking institution of higher education located in the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM), a small island developing nation located in the western Pacific Ocean. COM-FSM is composed of a national campus located in Palikir, Pohnpei, state campuses in each of the FSM states (Chuuk, Kosrae, Pohnpei and Yap) and a FSM Fisheries Maritime Institute located in Yap State. The central administrative offices for the college are located at the national campus. The college offers 37 degree and certificate programs.

The FSM is comprised of 607 islands extending 2,900 kilometers over approximately 2,500,000 square kilometers of ocean but with a land mass of only 702 square kilometers. The FSM 2000 census put the population at 107,008 and the estimated population for 2006 is 108,004. A growth rate of 2.6% in the 70s and early 80s has slowed to 0.3% since 1994 due to declining fertility and emigration. A median age of 18.9 in 2000 suggests that the FSM has one of the youngest populations of Pacific island countries. The unemployment rate in the FSM in 2000 was 22 % based on International Labor Organization classifications.

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Philippines

Hawaii

Federated States of Micronesia

Figure 1: Location of the Federated States of Micronesia

The college is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC), of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

While English is the language of instruction, English is considered a second or foreign language for virtually all students at the college. Micronesian students at the college come from different cultural backgrounds and speak sixteen different FSM languages and dialects. Each island group and often individual islands within an island group has its own distinct language and culture.

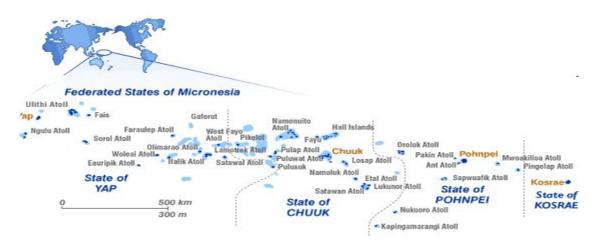


Figure 2: Details of the Federated States of Micronesia

COM-FSM faculty, staff and administrators from all six campuses developed this plan with additional input from the community and major stakeholders. The college's vision, mission, values and initial statement of goals were developed at a Presidential retreat held at the national campus in August 2005. The original adoption of the mission, vision, values and goals by the Board of Regents occurred during its September 2005 meeting. Development of objectives, strategies, measures, baselines and benchmarks occurred from January through August 2006 through planning sessions at all six campuses.

Vision Statement

The College of Micronesia-FSM will assist the citizens of the Federated States of Micronesia to be well-educated, prosperous, globally-connected, accountable, healthy and able to live in harmony with the environment and the world community.

Mission Statement

Historically diverse, uniquely Micronesian and globally connected, the College of Micronesia-FSM is a continuously improving and student centered institute of higher education. The college is committed to assisting in the development of the Federated States of Micronesia by providing academic, career and technical educational opportunities for student learning.

College's Values

In order for us to achieve our vision, mission, and goals we agree to uphold the following core values and behaviors. We value:

Learner-centeredness

Learners are our primary focus and we provide quality instruction and services in a nurturing and safe environment.

Professional behavior

We are competent, service-oriented professionals with a commitment to lifelong learning and a commitment to provide excellent and exemplary service to students, colleagues and the community.

Innovation

We provide a dynamic, creative, up-to-date, and innovative environment to allow the college community to function effectively in a global economy.

Honesty and Ethical Behavior

We are honest and abide by the COM-FSM Code of Ethics in all our personal and professional interactions to create and maintain trust and unity among ourselves and with our community.

Commitment and Hard Work

We commit and invest our time, energy and resources to create a rigorous, high quality-learning environment.

Teamwork

We live in a community where collaboration, open-mindedness, respect and support for each other help us achieve our mission.

Accountability

We are responsible for and accountable in our daily activities to our partners and the community we serve. We comply with all applicable regulations and use our resources efficiently and effectively to maintain a high level of trust and confidence.

Strategic Goals

The College of Micronesia-FSM, through a cycle of assessment and review, will continuously improve to meet or exceed current accreditation standards and will:

- 1. Promote learning and teaching for knowledge, skills, creativity, intellect, and the abilities to seek and analyze information and to communicate effectively;
- 2. Provide institutional support to foster student success and satisfaction;
- 3. Create an adequate, healthy and functional learning and working environment;
- 4. Foster effective communication:
- 5. Invest in sufficient, qualified, and effective human resources;

- 6. Ensure sufficient and well-managed fiscal resources that maintain financial stability;
- 7. Build a partnering and service network for community, workforce and economic development;
- 8. Promote the uniqueness of our community, cultivate respect for individual differences and champion diversity; and
- 9. Provide for continuous improvement of programs, services and college environment.

Implementing the plan - Planning model

The college recognizes that to fulfill its mission and meet WASC standards for accreditation the college must create linkages between planning, evaluation, and resource allocation.

Assessment and evaluation are at the core of the college's implementation process. The college's institutional assessment plan will set forth the processes and procedures for assessment and evaluation of all the college's programs and services (academic, student support, administrative and sponsored/federal programs).

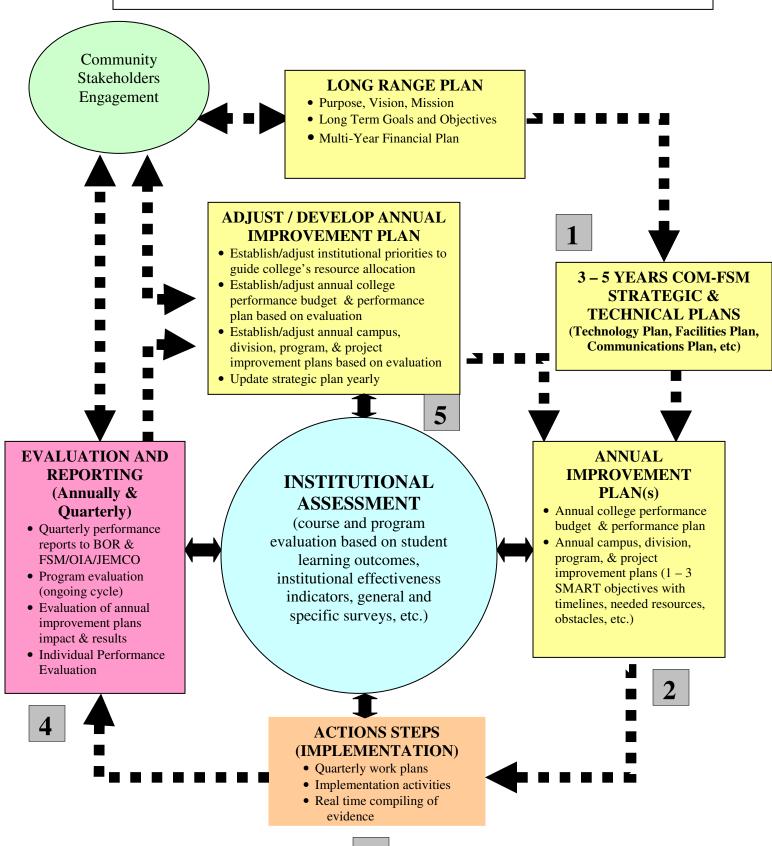
The college recognizes that the strategic plan must be implemented through a series of annual action or improvement plans and that the action plans must have a sound basis in assessment and evaluation.

The college also recognizes that strategic planning and resource allocation is all about priorities. The college will establish and adjust yearly institutional priorities that area based on assessment and evaluation results. These institutional priorities will form the basis for allocating human and financial resources at the college and assist in determining the institutional effectiveness of the college.

The following planning model for the college shows in broad strokes the linkages between planning, evaluation and resource allocation. It also provides mechanisms that assist the college in focusing on continuous improvement and recognizes the need for true performance reporting of results.

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Integrated Planning, Evaluation and Resources Allocation System



Linkage to FSM Strategic Development Plan (SDP)

The college receives significant contributions to its operations and facilities development from the FSM government. As a requirement of the receipt of the funds, the college must link its activities to the FSM Strategic Development Plan (SDP). The college's activities and compact related expenditures are linked to the SDP through the strategic goal "To allow FSM students to complete postsecondary education to assist in the economic development of the FSM." In the context of the SDP, the colleges' strategic goals are treated as activities under the broader FSM SDP strategic goal for postsecondary education and reported as such in the quarterly performance reporting by the FSM. The Fiscal Procedures Agreement (FPA) between the U.S. and the FSM sets forth the terms for funds use under the Compact. As the college is a major recipient of Compact funds, it must comply with the terms of the FPA.

Factors affecting planning and implementation at the college

One college six campuses

The college has defined itself as one college with six campuses. Under this definition, the college is responsible for ensuring equity (not equality) of services and infrastructure across all six campuses. With the college's six campuses extending over 2,900 kilometers from Kosrae in the east to Yap in the west and situated in 2,500,000 square kilometers of ocean and with limited air and sea transportation and communications options, ensuring equity of services will always be a challenge.

Political and economic development of the nation

The Federated States of Micronesia is a small island developing nation. While a sovereign nation, it has established a unique relationship with the United States through the Compact of Free Association. The FSM receives economic assistance from the US in return for military access. FSM citizens are allowed access to the US for work, education and other purposes without the need for visas.

The unemployment rate in the FSM in 2000 was 22 % based on International Labor Organization classifications. Real per capital in Fiscal Year 2004 was \$1,960.

The lack of employment and economic development has resulted in a high emigration rate with FSM citizens entering the US for education, work or to be with family members.

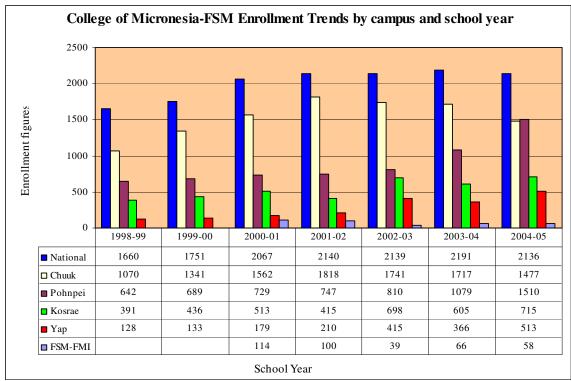
¹ FSM Strategic Development Plan, Volume II.

The FSM has identified agriculture, tourism, and marine/fisheries as sectors where potential economic growth can occur. The college is responding to these priorities with degree and certificate programs. However, limited job opportunities and student interest have affected program viability.

Due to the political and economic situation of the FSM, the college must prepare students for potential work in a small island developing economy and for work in the highly developed economy of the U.S.

Enrollment trends

The college has seen a remarkable increase in enrollment since 1998-1999, from 3,891 students to 6,311 students being serviced by the college in 2004-2005.



Graph 1: College enrollment by campus

Enrollment has been impacted by the need to ensure equity across all six campuses. Enrollment management techniques have been put in place to ensure that services and infrastructure are equitable across all six campuses. A scale back of services was put in place at Chuuk campus in 2005 in response to WASC concerns over facilities. New and improved facilities are in place and a scale up of services began in 2006.

Graph 2: College enrollment by campus and semester

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Semester	Total	National	Yap	Chuuk	Pohnpei	Kosrae	FMI
Spring 04	2320	842	145	679	412	228	14
Summer 04	1073	402	82	215	235	139	12
Fall 04	2732	914	165	684	614	328	27
Spring 05	2414	801	147	639	514	282	31
Summer 05	1318	421	201	154	425	105	12
Fall 05	2311	900	182	361	597	243	28
Spring 06	2163	796	155	272	608	304	27

Technology

The use and improvement of technology for learning and communications is vital to improvement at the college. The college is actively improving it computer services to students, faculty and staff; administrative and financial databases; learning support services and other technologies. However, the college is hampered by the amount of bandwidth available at all campuses and the high cost of that limited bandwidth.

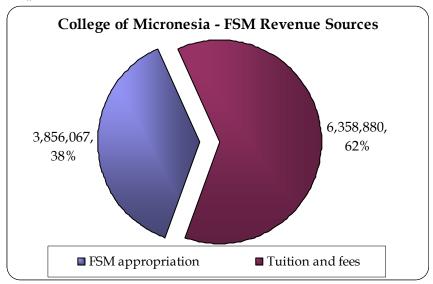
With six campuses spread across the western Pacific, the college must make use of technology for improving communications among and between campuses, faculty, staff and students. The college must address improvement of email, web sites, discussion sessions, bulletin boards and other mechanisms that can enhance exchange of information across the college.

The emergence of online learning opportunities and changes in U.S. federal assistance for online courses and degrees provides both opportunities and challenges for the college. The college can expand its capacity and services through online (primarily web based) courses and programs, but also faces greater competition from institutions of higher education outside of the FSM.

As the college moves more functions online, it will face greater security concerns.

Accountability and resources

The core funding for the college has been provided by the national government of the Federated States of the Micronesia primarily through funding provided through the Compact of Free Association. As the level of funding in the Compact will decline in future years, it is unlikely that the college will receive a greater allocation in the coming years. The college is highly dependent on U.S. funding and must seek additional external funding to support improvement of programs and services.



Graph 3: FY 2006 COM-FSM Revenue Sources

While funding is not expected to increase from the FSM, there are increased performance reporting requirements from both the FSM and U.S. governments. The college will need to align its planning and evaluation with resource allocation to properly report improvement of performance.

Partnerships, external relations, responsibility

Students at the college are primarily coming from the public and private schools in the FSM. Educational relationships with the departments of education at the national and state levels can enhance student levels of learning and achievement as they enter college and maximize use of resources for the education sector.

Interaction between the college and the community and business can enhance the response of the college to community needs and increase the employability of program graduates.

In light of the increased expectations for performance accountability and limited governmental resources the college must educate community and government leaders on the role the college plays in the development of the nation and its impact on that development.

The concept of universal design requires the college to recognize that students with disabilities face difficulty in accessing some programs and course offerings and goes beyond simply making facilities accessible.

Transportation, communications and climate

Transportation and communications options are limited for the college. Air transportation is via Continental Airlines 737-800 flights with generally only three flights westward (toward Guam) and three flights eastward (toward Hawaii) weekly. Any travel tends to be costly and time consuming. Communications is through the FSM Telecommunications. Communications costs are high and bandwidth is limited. The college is working to establish voice over IP and other cost saving measures to improvement communications. Micronesia is hot and humid. The humidity, ocean spray, high rainfall and other factors affect facilities, equipment and grounds with increased maintenance costs and reduction in life span of equipment and facilities.

Language and cultural Issues

While the college is an English-speaking institute, less than one percent of students speak English as a first language. There are sixteen native languages, dialects and cultures in the FSM. English is the language of government, business and for communications among the different island states of the FSM, but is not the language of the family or community.

Strategic goals, objectives, strategies, measures, and baselines

Following are the objectives, strategies, measures, and baselines for the strategic plan.

Strategic goal 1: Promote learning and teaching for knowledge, skills, creativity, intellect, and the abilities to seek and analyze information and to communicate effectively

Objectives	Strategies	Indicators/Measures	Baselines
1A: Promote quality teaching	1A1: Develop and implement strategies for learning-centered	111: Completion rate	111: Completion rate
and learning-centered	teaching	111a: Percent of students	111a: Graduation rate
behaviors and environments	1A2: Achieve greater faculty collaboration and participation in	completing programs	Fall 2001 cohort - 16%
for the six campuses	assessment/evaluation and research		Fall 2002 cohort - 18%
	1A3: Advocate and enhance collegiality and collaboration among		
	faculty	111b: Course completion	111b: Course completion
	1A4: Support faculty innovation in curriculum development and	rate	rate at all campuses
	instructional delivery		Fall 2004 – 81%
	1A5: Align and advance in consonance with learning-centered		Spring 2005 – 76%
	instruction, faculty activities in curriculum development, instructional		Fall 2005 – 77%
	programming and authentic assessment/evaluation		
	1A6: Develop and provide effective faculty trainings	II2: Transfer Rate	1I2: Transfer rate
	1A6a: Assessment and evaluation	1I2a: Percent of students	121a: % transfer students
	1A6b: Academic advisement	being accepted into other	accepted to other IHEs -
	1A6c: Learning centered organization	IHEs	Baseline to be established
	1A6d: Training requested by faculty		
1B: Make developmental	1B1: Encourage best practices including interdisciplinary instruction	1I2b: Percent of transfer	121b: % transfer students
courses an institutional	and problem-based learning in developmental education	students on good	in good academic
priority	1B2: Establish a comprehensive approach to developmental	academic standing at	standing after one year -
	preparation of students through learning communities.	selected IHEs after one	Baseline to be established
	1B3: Provide training to faculty and staff in assisting students in	year	
	developmental courses		
	1B4: Track, evaluate and report on progress of developmental		
	students		
1C: Enhance faculty	1C1: Promote increased faculty involvement in college committees		
involvement in the college	1C2: Promote strategies that allow real time (or near real time)		
	involvement of faculty across all six campuses in curriculum and		
	instructional decision and improvement activities		

Strategic goal 2: Provide institutional support to foster student success and satisfaction

Objectives	Strategies	Indicators/Measures	Baselines
2A: Promote strategic	2A1: Develop and implement a strategic enrollment management	2I1: Level of student	2I1: Student satisfaction
enrollment management for	plan based on ability of student applicants, availability of services,	satisfaction with student	with SSS
the college	facilities and faculty with emphasis on student recruitment and	support services (SSS)	
	retention	2I1a: To increase overall	2I1a: Overall student
	2A2: Provide training in academic advisement and guidance for	student satisfaction with	satisfaction level with SSS
	support staff	student support services	- Baseline to be
	2A3: Enhance capacity of staff for continuing improvement based on		established
	assessment and evaluation	2I1b: To increase student	2I1b: Student satisfaction
2B: Become more student-	2B1: Increase student participation in development of college policies	satisfaction with	with individual student
centered in the development	and procedures	individual student	support areas - Baseline
of specific college system	2B2: Increase student leaders (SBA) membership and participation on	support areas	to be established
policies and procedures	ad hoc and standing committees across the college system		
2C: Promote timely college	2C1: Expand and strengthen student advisement and tutorial services.	2I1c: To increase the % of	2I1c: % of students
tenure and graduation of	2C2: Engage students in self-directed learning, including self-teaching	students participating in	participating in SSS and
students with mastery of array	and community service learning	student support services	programs - Baseline to be
of core learning objectives,	2C3: Facilitate students' preparation as self-actualizing individuals in	and programs	established
including civic-mindedness	the community-at-large		
and self-value		2I1d: The college meets	2I1d: Enrollment
2D: Develop a student-	2D1: Enhance safe and healthy environment	or exceeds indicators for	management indicators -
friendly campus environment	2D2: Promote health awareness outreach programs	enrollment management	See Appendix B for
that encourages and enables			enrollment management
students to be health conscious		212 1 1 6 1	indicators
		2I2: Level of student	2I2: Student success level
		success	212 D
		2I2a: To increase	2I2a: Persistence rate
		persistence rate of	Fall 2000 cohort - 37%
		students	Fall 2001 cohort - 23%
		2I2b:To increase	2I2b: Retention rate
		retention rate	Fall 2003 cohort - 46%
			Fall 2004 cohort - 51%

Strategic goal 3: Create an adequate, healthy and functional learning and working environment

Objectives	Strategies	Indicators/Measures	Baselines
3A: Provide for adequate	3A1: Complete and implement the college's physical master plan in	3I1: The college as a	3I1: College environment
facilities to support a learning	consultation with the FSM's Project Management Unit	learning/working	levels
community	3A1a: Include accessibility issues in all design considerations	environment	
	3A1b: Include efficient use of power in all design considerations	3I1a: Increase satisfaction	3I1a: Satisfaction level
	3A1c: Recognizes the history and culture of Micronesia in design and	with college's	with the college as a
	construction of facilities	development of a leaning	learning environment -
	3A2: Develop and implement a landscape place for each campus that	environment	Baseline to be established
	promotes a learning environment		
3B: Provide for maintenance	3B1: Develop and implement a facilities and equipment maintenance	3I1b: Increase satisfaction	3I1b: Satisfaction with
and upkeep of grounds,	program for the college	with college's working	working environment -
facilities, and equipment	3B2: Assess and improve existing facilities accessibility	environment	Baseline to be established
	3B3: Ensure college facilities and grounds are clean and conducive to		
	learning	3I2: Safety and security	3I2: Safety and security
3C: Provide for a safe, secure	3C1: Development and implement internal security systems for each	3I2a: Increase satisfaction	3I2a: Satisfaction level
and effective college	campus	with safety and security	with safety and security at
environment	3C2: Evaluate and improve facilities and grounds from a safety and	issues at the college	the college - Baseline to be
	security standpoint		established
	3C3: Develop and enforce policy on facilities use and management	312b: Increase satisfaction	3I2b: Satisfaction level
	3C4: Develop and implement infrastructure, security and	with safety and security	with dorm safety and
	transportation standard operating procedures for all campuses	issues with dorms (only at	security - Baseline to be
		sites where dorms are	established
		available)	

Strategic goal 4: Foster effective communication

Objectives	Strategies	Indicators/Measures	Baselines
4A: Enhance communications	4A1: Implement the Board of Regents approved Communications	4I1: Effective	4I1: Effective
pathways	Policy	communications	communications
	4A1a: Develop and implement protocols and procedures in line with	4I1a: Increase satisfaction	4I1a: Satisfaction level
	communications pathways identified in the policy	with level of information	with information being
	4A1b: Develop and implement a communications improvement plan	being received about the	received about the college
4B: Provide communications	4B1 Evaluate, update and implement the college's technology plan	college	- Baseline to be
infrastructure to support	annually		established
communication pathways	4B1a: Ensure relevancy and appropriateness of communications	4I1b : Increase	4I1b: Satisfaction level
	technologies through research	satisfaction with	with understanding of
	4B1b: Prioritize projects based on available resources	understanding of college	college issue - (agree or
	4B1c: Develop processes and procedures for replacement of	issues	strongly agree to item 3
	communications equipment		on communications
	4B2: Coordinate improvement of college's communications with FSM		survey)
	Telecommunications and FSM Department of Transportation,		Spring 2005 - 64%
	Infrastructure and Communications and with foreign donor nations		Spring 2006 - 64%.
4C: Enhance the college	4C1 Provide structures and training to communicate and use	4I1c: Increase committee	4I1c: Committee based
community's ability to	applications and tools effectively	based decision making	decision making - Baseline
communicate effectively	4C2: Enhance capacity to identify, install, repair and maintain		to be established
	communications equipment	4I1d: Increase satisfaction	4I1d: Satisfaction level
		with use of	with use of
		communications pathways	communications pathways
		at the college	- Baseline to be
			established
		4I2: Access to technology	4I2: Access to technology
		4I2a: Increase satisfaction	4I2a: Satisfaction level
		with technology services	with technology services at
		of the college	the college - Baseline to be
			established
		4I2b: Increase level of	4I2b: Level of technology
		usage of technology at the	use- Baseline to be
		college	established

Strategic goal 5: Invest in sufficient, qualified, and effective human resources

Objectives	Strategies	Indicators/Measures	Baselines
5A: Provide on-going	5A1: Design a comprehensive college-wide staff development plan to	5I1: Staff development	5I1; Staff development
professional development of	identify staff development needs and priorities	5I1a: Increase percent of	5I1a: Level of staff
faculty and staff	5A2: Implement staff development program consistently across all	office, divisions, and	development assessment -
	sites	campuses completing staff	Baseline to be established
5B: Recruit and retain	5B1: Assess current recruitment and retention polices and practices	development assessment	
qualified personnel to allow	and develop and implement innovative strategies for recruitment and	5I1b: Increase number of	5I1b: Number of
delivery of quality services	retention of employees	personnel on staff	personnel participating in
	5B2: Enhance programs to promote the development of Micronesians	development in priority	staff development in
	to meet the employment needs of the college	areas	priority areas - Baseline to
5C: Update personnel policies	5C1: Conduct personnel needs assessment college-wide		be established
and procedures to meet on-	5C2: Align personnel needs with institutional planning		
going human resources needs	5C3: Ensure uniform understanding and implementation of	512: Faculty and staff	5I2: Faculty and staff
	incentives and grievances procedures and other human resource	5I2a: Percent of filled	5I2a: % of filled positions
	programs at all campuses	positions	- Baseline to be
			established
		5I2b: Percent of contracts	5I2b: % contract renewal -
		renewed per year	Baseline to be established
		5I2c: Employee retention	5I2c: Employee retention
		rate	rate - Baseline to be
			established
		5I2d: Increase percent of	5I2d: % qualified faculty
		qualified faculty in their	in respective fields -
		respective fields	Baseline to be established

Strategic goal 6: Ensure sufficient and well-managed fiscal resources that maintain financial stability

Objectives	Strategies	Indicators/Measures	Baselines
6A: Enhance new and existing revenue resources to promote growth and increase cost effectiveness	6A1: Redefine college budgeting strategies for the efficient use of resources and delivery of quality programs & services 6A2: Communicate the needs of the college effectively in support of capital campaigns 6A3: Enhance college alumni programs and scholarship development 6A4: Promote strategies that ensure the effective and efficient use of resources through reconciliation of accounts and tracking of	6I1: Maintain a positive fund balance for the college 6I2: Reduce level of power consumption per	6I1: Funds balance FY 2003 -\$5,186,605 FY 2004 - (\$41,418) FY 2005 - \$167,840 6I2: Average monthly power usage
6B: Diversify resources of the College	performance against expenditures 6B1: Establish and secure other funding relationships with other government agencies, foundations, grant sources 6B2: Formalize and strengthen the alumni association and funding activities	unit	FY 2003 - 100,465 KW FY 2004 - 114,784 KW Note that this is only for National campus
6C: Budgeting and resource allocation	6C1: implement a budgeting process that links resource allocation with the college's strategic and short term planning 6C2: Establish long and short term institutional priorities to provide broad guidelines for budget allocations 6C3: Ensure that budget allocation are adequate to meet program and	613: College receives unqualified audit yearly	6I3: "Unqualified Audit Opinion" FY 2004 Audit - Yes FY 2005 Audit - Yes
6D: Develop and implement college sustainability plans that will lead to the careful stewardship of natural and man-made resources, saving of revenue, and enhancement of the college experience; serves as a model for the nation	project needs 6D1: Develop and utilize alternative source of energy 6D2: Implement best practices for energy conservation 6D3: Develop college housing for off-island faculty 6D4: Develop incentives to bring back FSM citizens working and living abroad to work for the college 6D5: Ensure effective use of external funding through institutionalization of proven programs and services	614: College meets annual endowments targets 615: College seeks alternate sources of external funding	614: Annual endowment target (\$100,000) FY 2000 - \$132,684 - Yes FY 2001 - \$46,248 - No FY 2002 - \$71,391 - No FY 2003 - \$17,592 - No FY 2004 - \$89,005 - No 615: Seeking alternate funding - # of grant sought &
		CACHIAI TUHUHIS	awarded FY 2005 – 12 submitted (\$1,107,224) FY 2005 – 8 awarded (\$454,912)

Strategic goal 7: Build a partnering and service network for community, workforce and economic development

Objectives	Strategies	Indicators/Measures	Baselines
7A: Increase involvement of	7A1: Increase activities involving the college and local communities to	7I1: COM-FSM is a	7I1: Economic and
the community in college	foster understanding of the college's role in the community at local,	partner with state,	workforce partners
affairs	state and national levels	regional and local	
	7A2: Improve community awareness of college activities, events and	workforce and economic	
	opportunities through increased communications and outreach	development agencies	
	programs	7I1a: Students served by	7I1a: Vocation Education
	7A3: Include community in advisory boards for programs, services	college workforce	Program enrollment
	and committees	development programs	Fall 2004 - 227
	7A4: Promote community involvement in college training activities		Fall 2005 - 213
	7A5: Increase community involvement in assessment and evaluation		Apprenticeship Program
	of college programs and services through 360 degree evaluations		enrollment
	7A6: Establish relationships with national, state and community		Fall 2004 - 23
	organization to assist in recruitment of students into college programs		Fall 2005 - 6
7B: Enhance and promote	7B1: Provide appropriate training to support the workforce by		CRE program participants
employment opportunities	providing academic, career and technical education opportunities		FY 2004 - TBD
	7B2: Promote placement and employment opportunities with		FY 2005 – TBD
	government and private sector both domestic and international		FSM - Fisheries Maritime
	7B3: Establish relationships with national, state and community		Institute students
	organizations to promote employment of college graduate		Fall 2004 – 31
7C: Develop new and	7C1: Establish partnership with Departments of Education to		Fall 2005 - 12
enhance existing programs to	enhance coordination of services and programs to facilitate easy		
meet the changing educational	transition from secondary to postsecondary education	712: COM-FSM pursues	7I2: Strategic alliances (to
and workforce needs of our	7C2: Enhance the college's ability to provide technical assistance for	strategic alliances with	be reported in narrative
communities	development	businesses, public	form)
	7C3: Coordinate planning and development/revision of new and	agencies and private	
	existing programs with state and national strategic development plans	agencies	
	7C4: Evaluate the FSM-FMI program and develop and implement a		
	FSM-FMI specific plan to enhance its ability to meet the changing	7I3: Student obtain	7I3: Level of students
	needs of the FSM fisheries/maritime sector	employment as a result of	obtaining employment as
7D: Provide Cooperative	7D1: Provide assistance to increase entrepreneurial activity in the	training they receive	a result of training -
Extension Services to the	nation by developing commercial crop extensions modules for pepper,		Baseline to be established
community	specialist crops, etc.; train staff to assist in development of		
	farm/business plans; and research for vegetables and crop varieties	714: College is responsive	714: Level of college
	and production methods	to the interest of local	response to economic and
	7D2: Assist farmers with energy replacement through coconuts	business and workforce	development needs

redevelopment extensions and research; alternation energy education	and economic	
and outreach focused on bio fuels, solar and hydro power	development needs	
7D3: Support understanding of environmental activities affecting	7I4a: Assessment of	7I4a: Survey to be
farms and businesses through training for invasive species monitoring	employer needs and	conducted every two years
and control, pesticide management, soil amendments, water quality	satisfaction with program	
and swine facilities improvement	graduates	
7D4: Provide programs for improved understanding of food and	7I4b: Programs that	7I4b: Programs that
nutrition to reduce diet related health problems; increase vegetable	support community	support community
production and import replacement; food safety	development and	development and
7D5: Assist with youth development through youth at risk programs,	individual and family	individual and family
education support programs for drop out and student in problem and	livelihoods	livelihoods (to be reported
community activities to support programs to enhance youth		in narrative form)
knowledge and appreciation of culture and community involvement		
7D6: Support community development through training in business		
development and management,; and training in marketing and		
cooperative development		
7D7: Promote research in multiplication of preferred/elite corps,		
selection, improvement and multiplication of niche marker crops,		
improved animal production through swine facilities, feeds and		
management practices		

Strategic goal 8: Promote the uniqueness of our community, cultivate respect for individual differences and champion diversity

Objectives	Strategies	Indicators/Measures	Baselines
8A: Increase community	8A1:Expand the role of community advisory groups in college affairs	8I1: The college provides	8I1: Opportunities to
involvement in college affairs	8A2: Collaborate with communities to provide accessibility to	opportunities to learn	learn of other cultures
	education opportunities	about other cultures	
8B: Cultivate respect for	8B1: Promote access from the diverse communities we serve	8I1a: Number of	8I1a: # of courses/content
individual differences, and	8B2: Promote mutual respect among people from different	course/content areas with	areas with culture
champion diversity	backgrounds and heritages	cultural diversity	diversity components - 34
	8B3: Have appreciation for diversity of the college community	component	0741
	8B4: Accommodate individuals with special need	8I1b: College establish	8I1b: Annual culture day -
	8B5: Recognize our responsibility to honor and strengthen FSM	annual cultural day to	Founding day (cultural)
	languages and culture	promote cultural diversity 8I1c: Number of faculty,	2005 8I1c: % of faculty and
	8B6: Provide equity of program and services across the college system	staff and students	staff completing cultural
	8B7: Development programs that promote understanding and appreciation of different cultures and viewpoints	completing the culture	survey - Baseline to be
	appreciation of different cultures and viewpoints	diversity survey	established
		8I1d: Increase number of	8I1d: # of disabled
		disable students	students - Baseline to be
			established
		8I1e: Increase number of	8I1e: # of international
		international students	students
			Fall 2004- 14
			Fall 2005 - 8
		8I2: College enrollment is	8I2: Demographics
		reflective of the	
		demography of the nation	
		8I2a: Ratio of males and	8I2a: Male/Female ratio
		females	Fall 2004 – 0.99
			(1343/1363)
			Fall 2005 - 1.03
			(1158/1124)
		8I2b: Ratio of Chuukese,	8I2b: Ratio of Chuukese,
		Kosraean, Pohnpeian, and	Kosraean, Pohnpeian and
		Yapese enrolled	Yapese students
			Fall 2004

Chuukese - 32%
Kosraean - 15%
Pohnpeian - 43%
Yapese - 9%
Fall 2005
Chuukese - 22%
Kosraean - 17%,
Pohnpeian - 50%
Yapese - 12%

Strategic Goal 9: Provide for continuous improvement of programs, services and college environment

Objectives	Strategies	Indicators/Measures	Baselines
9A: Improve institutional assessment and evaluation	9A1: Create an institutional assessment and evaluation system for all programs and services for the college to support continuous learning centered improvement of courses, programs and services	9I1: Satisfaction with college services	9I1:Satisfaction level with college services - Baseline to be established
	9A2: Provide yearly institutional effectiveness, assessment/evaluation and other long and short term reports to promote data driven decision making	9I2: Systematic review of policies, plans and	9I2: % of policies plans and programs reviewed
9B: Integrate planning, evaluation and resource allocation for continuous	9B1: Development, implement and update yearly the college's 5 year strategic plan 9B2: Develop, implement and evaluative yearly performance	programs	yearly - Baseline to be established
improvement	improvement plans based on the 5 year strategic plan 9B3: Implement the planning model for the college to link planning, evaluation and resource allocation	913: Institutionalize processes that promote institutional improvement	913: Process that promote institutional improvement – (to be reported in
9C: Increase research and data	9C1:Design and implement a research plan for the college	27. 7	narrative form)
driven decision making	9C2: Promote faculty and staff based on research through an	9I4: Base changes in	014 # 6 1
	incentive program	course/programs on assessment/evaluation	9I4: # of changes in course/programs based
	9C3: Design and implement a system wide integrated database for	assessment/ evaluation	on assessment/evaluation
	OAR, business office, financial aid, IRPO and other offices and		- Baseline to be
	departments 9C4: Increase institutional capacity for data driven decision making		established
9D: Develop an integrated	9D1: Develop and implement integrated data system for the college		
data system	9D1a: Web based database using LAMP (Linux, Apache, MySQL,		
,	PhP) approach		
	9D1b: Provide training and support on the data system		
	9D1b(1): Provide adequate technical personnel to support the		
	maintenance and expansion of the data system		
	9D1b(2): Design and implement and ongoing training programs for		
	all faculty and staff in use of the data system		
	9D1c: Ensure a flexibility data system to support research and		
	tracking of students in multiple ways		

Appendix A - Teaching-Centered vs. Learning-Centered Instruction

Concept	Teaching-Centered	Learning-Centered			
Teaching goals	Cover the discipline	Student learn:			
		How to use the discipline			
		 How to integrate the disciplines to solve 			
		complex problems			
		 An array of core learning objectives such as 			
		communication and information literacy skills			
Curriculum	 Courses in a catalogue 	 Cohesive program with systematically- 			
		created opportunities to synthesize, practice			
		and develop increasingly complex ideas, skills			
		and values			
Course	Faculty "cover" topic	 Student master learning objectives 			
structure					
How students	• Listening	• Students construct knowledge by integrating			
learn	• Reading	new learning into what they already know			
	• Independent learning, often in competition	• Learning as a cognitive and social act			
	for grades				
Pedagogy	 Based on delivery of information 	Based on engagement of students			
Course	• Lecture	Active learning			
delivery	 Assignment and exams for summative 	Assignments for formative purposes			
	purposes	Collaborative learning			
		Community service learning			
		Cooperative learning			
		• Online, asynchronous, self-directed learning			
		Problem-based learning			
Faculty role	• Sage on the stage	Designer of learning environments			
Great teaching	 Teach (present information) well and those 	 Engage students in their learning 			
	who can will learn	 Seek ways to help all students master 			
		learning objectives			
		• Use classroom assessment - identify			
		objectives, routinely examine student's			
		progress and make necessary adjustments			
		Contribute to the scholarships of teaching			
Course grading	 Faculty as gate keepers 	Grades indicate mastery of learning			
	 Normal distribution expected 	objectives			
Assessment	 Reliance on grades, registration and course 	• Faculty use classroom assessment to improve			
	completion data, etc.	learning in day-today courses			
		• Faculty use program assessment to improve			
		learning throughout the curriculum			

Appendix B College of Micronesia - FSM Enrollment Management - Campus Standards Key Indicators

To ensure equity and quality of services across the six campuses of the college, the following broad guidelines that will be used to determine how many students a campus may enroll. Wherever possible, the indictors have been expressed as per student ratios. In order to maintain consistent standards across the college, each campus will be expected to meet these criteria as soon as possible. All enrollment changes required the approval of the President.

The following spreadsheets provide the actual status of each campus and the various indicators and enrollments projections for each campus. The indicator data and projects are to be updated each fall and spring semester.

Indicator	Target ratio per student	Comments				
	ratio					
Student/Faculty ratio	1 faculty member for each 17-	This range allows for unexpected vacancies #				
-	22 students	of full time faculty + part time (credits/12)				
Learning resources staff ratio	1 LRC staff member for each					
	150 students					
LRC volumes capacity	30 volumes per student					
Learning Resources seating	1 seat in the LRC for every 10					
capacity	students					
Counselors (FAO, OAR &	1 counselor of each type for					
Counseling)	every 250 students					
Student Life Specialists	1 student life staff member for					
(excluding dorm staff)	each 200 students					
Nurse/Health	1 nurse for every 1,400 students					
Administrative staff	1 administrative staff for each	Depending on the size of the campus				
	190 students					
Overall Environment – Power		and email access available during all school				
& email access; toilet facilities,		0 students & 1 male toilet facility for every 40				
ratio of drinking water &	students; per cent of buildings with accessible drinking water; a bookstore and					
building, availability of	campus store or available food so	ource				
textbooks and refreshments		-				
Daytime security	1 security guard for every 300	This varies by the size and location of the				
	students	campus and therefore must have some case by				
		case considerations				
Classroom capacity	1 classroom per 60 students	Individual class enrollment must not exceed				
		recommended course enrollment guidelines				
Maintenance	1 maintenance staff member for	Ratio exclude janitorial and ground				
	each 68 students	maintenance				
Janitors	1 janitor per 140 students	Not including dorm janitors				
IT Technician	1 technician per 300 students	This currently represents a target for all				
	with at least 1 IT technician per	campuses				
	campus					
Student computers	1 computer available for every	Includes computer labs, LRC and others				
	10 students					
Faculty computers	1 computer for each full time					
	faculty and 1 computer for each					
	part time FTE					

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COLLEGE OF MICRONESIA - FSM, Enrollment Management Indicator Data Fall 2006

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#	Indicator	Target ratios	National	Pohnpei	Chuuk	Kosrae	Yap	FMI
2	Student/Faculty Ratio	# of faculty (FTE)	47 12	34	31.5	9 2	11.5	6
3	Learning resources staff ratio	# LRC staff	54,202	1 4 420	9,533	9674	1	0
	LRC volume capacity	# of LRC volumes	1	4,430			4,983	
4	LRC seating capacity	# LRC seats	136	28	67	110	32	0
5	Counselors (FAO, OAR & Counseling)	1 counselor of each type for every 250 students	2			1 2 5	2.5	2.22
5a	Counselor FAO	# of FAO Counselor (FTE)	3	1	1	0.5	0.5	0.33
5b	Counselor OAR	# of OAR counselor (FTE)	2	1	2	0.5	0.5	0.33
5c	Counselor General Counseling	# of general counselor (FTE)	3	1	2	0.5	0.5	0.33
6	Student life specialists	# of recreation staff	6	2	1	0	0	0
7	Nurse/Health	# of nurse	1	1	0	0	0	0
8	Administrative staff	# of administrative staff	12	11	8	5	3	1
9	Overall Environmental	% time electrical power & email access during all school hours; 1 female toilet for every 30 students & 1 male toilet facility for every 40 students, % of buildings with drinking water; a bookstore and campus store or available food source						
9a	Electrical power	Per cent of time power available	~100%	~ 100%	~50%	~ 100%	~100%	~100%
9b	Email access	Per cent of time email available	~ 100%	~100%	~50%	~ 100%	~100%	0%
9c	Toilets (female)	# of female toilet	31	15	11	3	5	4
9d	Toilets (male)	# of male toilet	31	12	11	3	4	7
9e	Drinking fountain	# of building with drinking water	13	6	8	2	0	4
9f	Building	# of buildings	15	15	12	4	3	4
9g	Bookstore	Is there a bookstore available?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
9h	Refreshment source	Is there a food source/store available?	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
10	Daytime security	# of security guard	3	2	2	0	0	3
11	Classroom capacity	# of classroom	15	16	13	2	3	3
12	Maintenance	# of maintenance staff	8	4	5	1	1	4
13	Janitors	# of janitor	13	4	5	1	0	0
14	IT technicians	# of IT technician	2	2	2	1	1	0
	11 technicians							1
15	Student computers		161	98	73	67	47	10
15 16	Student computers	# of student computer	161	98	73	67	47	10
			30	98	73	8	5	6

COLLEGE OF MICRONESIA - FSM, Enrollment Management Projection - Fall 2006

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#	Indicator	Target ratios	National	Pohnpei	Chuuk	Kosrae	Yap	FMI
1	Student/Faculty Ratio	1 faculty member for each 17-22 students						
1a	Student/Faculty Ratio at 17/1	1 faculty for each 17 students	799	578	536	153	196	102
1b	Student/Faculty Ratio at 22/1	1 faculty for each 22 students	1034	748	693	198	254	132
2	Learning resources staff ratio	1 LRC staff to 150 students	1800	150	300	300	150	0
3	LRC volume capacity	30 volumes per student	1807	148	318	322	166	0
4	LRC seating capacity	1 seat in LRC for every 10 students	1360	280	670	1100	320	0
5	Counselors (FAO, OAR & Counseling	1 counselor of each type for every 250 students						
5a	Counselor FAO	1 FAO counselor for every 250 students	750	250	250	125	125	82.5
5b	Counselor OAR	1 OAR counselor for every 250 students	500	250	500	125	125	82.5
5c	Counselor General Counseling	1 General Counseling counselor for every 250 students	750	250	500	125	125	82.5
6	Student life specialists	1 staff for each 200 students	1200	400	200	0	0	0
7	Nurse/Health	1 nurse for every 1400 students	1400	1400	0	0	0	0
8	Administrative staff	1 staff for every 190 students	2280	2090	1520	950	570	190
9	Overall Environmental	% time electrical power & email access during all school hours; 1 female toilet for every 30 students & 1 male toilet facility for every 40 students, % of buildings with drinking water; a bookstore and campus store or available food source						
9a	Electrical power	Per cent of time power available	~100%	~100%	~50%	~100%	~100%	~ 100%
9b	Email access	Per cent of time email available	~100%	~100%	~50%	~100%	~100%	0%
9c	Toilets (female)	1 toilet per 30 female students	930	450	330	90	150	120
9d	Toilets (male)	1 toilet per 40 male students	1240	480	440	120	160	280
9e	Drinking fountain	# of buildings with drinking water	87%	40%	67%	50%	0%	100%
9f	Bookstore	1 bookstore per campus	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
9g	Refreshment source	1 refreshment source per campus	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
10	Daytime security	1 guard for every 300 students	900	600	600	0	0	900
11	Classroom capacity	1 classroom for every 60 students	900	960	780	120	180	180
12	Maintenance	1 maintenance for each 68 students	544	272	340	68	68	272
13	Janitors	1 janitor per 140 students	1820	560	700	140	0	0
14	IT technicians	1 technician for every 300 students	600	600	600	300	300	0
15	Student computers	1 computer for every 10 students	1610	980	730	670	470	100
16	Faculty computers	1 computer full time faculty 1 for each part time FTE						
16a	Faculty computers (full time)	1 computer for each faculty	30	21	11	8	5	6
16b	Faculty computers (partly time)	1 computer per 1.0 FTE part time	28	7	12	0	0	0