

**College of Micronesia – FSM  
Social Science Division  
Monthly Report  
September 2015**

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<i>Emphasize academic offerings in service to national needs</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Law classes still offered late in the evening and at Pohnpei campus to be accessible to both part-time instructors and students.</li> <li>• The focus of the program still targets in-service individuals in law-related fields.</li> </ul>
<i>Be financially sound, fiscally responsible, and build resources in anticipation of future needs</i>	
<i>Invest in and build a strong capacity in human capital</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The social science division continues to seek opinions of students and the labor market about demands to make necessary changes.</li> </ul>
<i>Become a learning organization through development of a learning culture guided by learning leaders</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Micronesian Studies, Trial counselor, and the social science club in collaboration with the chief of staff are working to host a forum for Pohnpei state candidates running for Lt. governor and governor seats. The proposed dates of forum have been set for October 19 and 21, from 12:00-2:00 in the practice gym. The plan is to open the forum to the public. Students have been tasked to play roles in the forum by moderating, introducing speakers, keeping time for speakers, and drafting questions for the speakers. The forum will count as authentic assessment for the social science programs and part of the students' civil responsibility.</li> <li>• Social science classes received a group of Japanese students from Sophia University. Instructional methods during the visit were crafted to engage students in the topics. Both the students from COM-FSM shared positive feedback about the visit and looked forward to another</li> </ul>

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<i>Evoke an image of quality</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assessments are done every semester to help identify needs for improvement both the Trial counselor and Micronesian Studies programs.</li> </ul>