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## **Citi Foundation funds GCC college prep program**

The Citi Foundation is once again providing an opportunity for 15 soon-to-be high school graduates and 5 incoming seniors from Guam Department of Education schools to set their sights on college, through its Post Secondary Education Accessibility Initiative (PSEAI) summer program at Guam Community College.

This is the eighth year that Citi Foundation has funded the PSEAI, and again this year, the \$30,000 grant will not only prepare the graduates and incoming seniors for success in college, but also, any remaining funds will be used to support past participants with their student fees at GCC.

“On behalf of the Citi Foundation, it is a privilege to partner with the Guam Community College and be an instrument in helping GCC to achieve its objective of increasing the number of youth pursuing higher education. We wish the 2014 PSEAI participants a great learning experience this coming summer break. For the past PSEAI participants, we wish you success in completing your chosen career path,” said Agustin Davalos, Citigroup Country Officer/Country Business Manager, Citi Guam.

Nearly 80 young people have either graduated from GCC or are now enrolled at the college thanks to the PSEAI program.

“The success of this program is evident, and we are extremely grateful to Citi Foundation for this partnership. Helping us to provide these young people with the skills they will need to be successful in college is what it’s all about,” said Dr. Michael Chan, GCC associate dean and the program’s grant facilitator.

The Citi Foundation PSEAI grant funds provide the selected graduates and incoming seniors with a six-week course that includes English and Math instruction, textbooks, tutors, financial aid counseling, college coping skills workshops, placement tests and career interest inventories. The program provides students with a strong introduction to post secondary education opportunities, numerous career choices, and greater awareness of the college registration and financial aid process.

The PSEAI program also provides its participants with the opportunity to earn college credit for this summer program. Recent graduates can begin earning general education credits necessary for a degree while incoming high school senior participants will have the opportunity to be dually enrolled and earn both high school and college credits.

For more information on the Citi-GCC PSEAI program, contact Dr. Michael Chan at 735-5573 or [michael.chan@guamcc.edu](mailto:michael.chan@guamcc.edu).

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