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MARC SEMINAR SERIES 13TH INSTALLMENT "STUDENT LECTURERS"

Hagåtña, GU, March 17, 2019 – The Richard Flores Taitano Micronesia Area Research Center (MARC) at the University of Guam announces its thirteenth installment in its seminar series, a public lecture by over 50 students of the Chamorro Studies Program on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences (CLASS) Lecture Hall on the UOG campus.

The mission of the Chamorro Studies Program is to revitalize and sustain a Chamorro-literate community through the development of a steady cohort of Chamorro speaking and writing graduates. It shall include in-depth studies of Chamorro language, culture, and Chamorro-based systems of knowledge. Such reviews shall be articulated concerning community engagement.

The Chamorro Studies Program develops students' critical thinking and appreciation of cultural diversity, human and indigenous rights, and social and communal responsibility. Creative capabilities in the areas of oral and written literary expression will also be developed. Chamorro Studies covers a range of subjects, examining knowledge about Chamorro identity and culture. It is an interdisciplinary program that draws on courses in diverse disciplines as Chamorro Language, Anthropology, Biology, Literature, Geography, History, Political Science, Psychology, and Social Work.

The MARC Seminar Series lectures were initiated back in the 1970s to promote the Micronesia Studies Program at the University of Guam. The talks are held on the second or third Tuesday of the month and prerecorded for broadcast on YouTube and the Guam Legislature Channels: GTA 21 & Docomo 117.

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