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NAVFAC, UOG formalize pathway for internships for UOG students

University of Guam engineering students can seek internship opportunities with the Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command Marianas through a pathway established by the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding on November 1, 2023.

UOG President Anita Borja Enriquez and Capt. Troy Brown, NAVFAC Marianas Commanding Officer, signed the MOU at NAVFAC Marianas' Guam headquarters on Nimitz Hill. She said developing Guam's professional workforce continues to be an important area where the University delivers public value.

"Entering into this relationship is historic because it creates this pipeline and provides an opportunity for us to build the kinds of capacity that we've been wanting to build," said President Anita Borja Enriquez. "We want to help build the middle class by preparing our students at the University for jobs that will benefit different sectors including the Navy and the rest of the Armed Forces."

"Forging this new partnership with the University of Guam is important to all of us to enhance critical capabilities and grow new opportunities here," said Capt. Brown. "Our NAVFAC Marianas team is excited to bring more local talent to our workforce and

provide sustainable career pathways for engineering students where they will gain valuable experience while contributing to our shared vision for the future.”

Kendra O. Finklea, Human Resources Director for NAVFAC Marianas, helped lay the groundwork for the MOU.

Recently a NAVFAC Marianas HR team visited UOG. Bharti Hemlani, Lead Human Resources Specialist and acting HR Director at NAVFAC Marianas, also participated in a panel discussion with Enriquez and community stakeholders about UOG’s role in workforce development.

More details about the internships will be provided later.

For more information about the internship program, contact:
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University of Guam President Anita Borja Enriquez and Capt. Troy Brown, Commanding Officer of Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command Marianas, lead the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding to formalize an internship pathway for UOG’s engineering students with NAVFAC. After the signing, Dr. Enriquez, right, presents Capt. Brown with a coffee table book about UOG at NAVFAC Marianas on Nimitz Hill on Nov.1, 2023.

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University of Guam President Anita Borja Enriquez, center, signs the Memorandum of Understanding to formalize an internship pathway for UOG’s engineering students on Nov. 1, 2023. Capt. Troy Brown, Commanding Officer of Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command Marianas, left, signs for NAVFAC as NAVFAC Marianas HR Director Bharti Hemlani facilitates.