

4th FSM Public Auditor Conference/Training in Colonia, Yap



on April 16-18, 2018

On April 16- 18, 2018, some staffs from the Office of the National Public Auditor (ONPA) attended the 4th Annual FSM Public Auditor Conference/Training in Colonia, Yap. The training was hosted by the Yap Auditor's Office. The Graduate School USA send instructor Diane Arakaki from Honolulu, Hawaii. Diane has a Masters degree in Public Administration specializing in Intergovernmental Management and Finance and recently served as the Chief Financial Officer of the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART).

The training on Performance Auditing was a three day event. It focused mainly on the performance audit processes from planning and developing audit objectives, conducting the performance audit, and writing audit findings and the audit report. During the training, participants were given a lot of group activities to interact with each other. At the end of each given activities, each group had a spokesperson to share what they had come up with in regards to the activities. On the last day of the training, all participants received their certificates and Yap State OPA presented Diane with some gifts.

Overall, the training was very productive. We gained knowledge from the instructor based on her great teachings. Not only that we learned from the Instructor, we also learned from one another the differences and similarities of our work. We thanked Diane and the Graduate School USA and gave them assurance that we will apply what we learned at our workplace. We are also thankful to Yap OPA for hosting the 4th Annual FSM Public Auditors Conference/Training.