



## Summer Institute: 'Alekoko 'Āina Academy

The Nā Pua No'eau Program was first established in 1989 at the University of Hawai'i at Hilo for the purpose of increasing educational enrichment opportunities for Hawaiian students. Nā Pua No'eau provides students with a wide range of community services and programs such as their Summer Institute. This summer, Nā Pua No'eau held its annual Summer Institute at 'Alekoko Fishpond, also known as the 'Alekoko 'Āina Academy. Students had the opportunity to earn free college credit provided by Title III (Kūkulu A'e) while taking Hawaiian Studies (HWST) 107 with Kumu Pua Rossi and Kumu Anuhea Piliere. This year's program was extra special because it was the first time it was offered to mākuā (parents)! Twelve high school haumāna (students) and two mākuā spent time between the 'Alekoko Fishpond and Kaua'i Community College exploring the unique aspects of Hawai'i and Hawaiian culture in relation to the larger Pacific including origins, language, religion, land, art, history and current issues. They were also able to huaka'i (excursion) to the Kaua'i Museum and several wahi pana (historical places) around Kaua'i. We're happy to announce that 100% of the students passed the course! A special mahalo to the hui at Mālama Hulē'ia for allowing our faculty, staff and students to utilize their space and 'ike (knowledge) during the two week course.

## Getting to Know Keleka'a Ho'ona'auao

### Expanding 21st Century Learning Environments

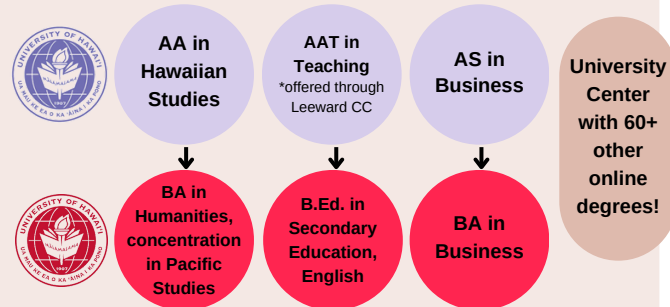


The Title III Grant, Keleka'a Ho'ona'auao, is continuing to work on the Distance Education (DE) Classroom on the 2nd floor of the library. Audio-visual equipment is currently being installed and will feature brand new monitors, web-conferencing cameras, furniture and more! Furniture design and installation, decorative glass decals and a possible mural will be the finishing touches to the space. This state-of-the-art classroom/collaborative space is designed for current and future distance education programmatic needs and student collaboration.

The space was created to support residents of Kaua'i and Ni'ihau, especially Native Hawaiian students, who are pursuing their degree via online education from University of Hawai'i institutions. Stay tuned as the classroom is set to open this **Fall 2023!**

### 2+2 Distance Education Pathways

Keleka'a Ho'ona'auao is a collaborative grant between Kaua'i CC and UH West O'ahu (UHWO) that provides students with the opportunity to **receive a 4-year degree fully online**. Students can begin their college journey at Kaua'i CC, receive their associates degree, then transfer to online programs taught through UHWO to receive their bachelors degree. Stay tuned as secondary education programs in Math and Science are developing!



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### Holistic Support Services

Our support staff applies the Hā-Breath outcomes to better support our Native Hawaiian students throughout their college journey. The six outcomes (pictured right) are the core BREATH that students can use for strength and stability during their journey through college.



### Hā-Breath Highlight: Sense of Belonging

**Kūpa'a au i ko'u ahika pono o ka 'ohana, ke kaiaula, ka 'āina a me ka honua nei.**

A sense of **Belonging** is demonstrated through an understanding of lineage and place and a connection to past, present, and future.

# Hawaiian Moon Calendar



**KŪPAU**  
**'Aukake (August) 21**

**Mahi'ai (farming)**  
Final evening that 'uala and kalo can be planted and expected to grow upright and firm Kū.

**Lawai'a (fishing)**  
Fair fishing on reef. Balmy weather with steady, gentle winds. Low tide in afternoon.



**'OLEKŪKAHI**  
**'Aukake (August) 22**

**Mahi'ai (farming)**  
Unproductive day for planting. Cultivate, prune, and hill up sweet potatoes. Plants will remain pruned back longer.

**Lawai'a (fishing)**  
Fishing not good - 'a'ohe (nothing) from sea. Flat green seaweed tossed on shore. Rough seas, high tides, 'Ole winds. 'Ole means without or none so these evening are expected to be unproductive.



**'OLEKŪLUA**  
**'Aukake (August) 23**

**Mahi'ai (farming)**  
Most challenging day, moon rises at noon, moon's shape appears to be split in half. Planting is unproductive. Prune and mulch today.

**Lawai'a (fishing)**  
Fishing is not good. Rough seas with 'Ole winds.



**'OLEKŪKOLU**  
**'Aukake (August) 24**

**Mahi'ai (farming)**  
Mulching, weeding, and pruning the best farming activities today. Still considered an unproductive day.

**Lawai'a (fishing)**  
Rough seas continue although torch fishing near shore will be productive only in the evening.



**'OLEPAU**  
**'Aukake (August) 25**

**Mahi'ai (farming)**  
Good day for planting 'ulu (breadfruit), eggplant, string beans, squash, melon, and many other vegetables. Cultivate and prune back other plants.

**Lawai'a (fishing)**  
Not a good day for fishing. Tonight will be the last night for shifting currents and rough seas due to the 'Ole winds.



## 'Ohana Overseas: Aloha e Humber College!

He Waa He Moku, He Moku He Waa, "Our Canoe is Our Island, and Our Island is Our Canoe." Kaua'i Community College welcomed 14 students from Toronto, Canada's Humber College this past June. The cohort was also accompanied by the following Humber College staff: Jason (VP of Students and Institutional Planning), Danny (Indigenous Education and Curriculum Specialist) and Caitlin (Coordinator of Indigenous Health and Wellness). Students were supported by a grant from the Canadian Government which provides study abroad opportunities for under-represented students. For some of the students, it was the first time they left Canada as well as travel on an airplane! In this program, the students took a learning voyage throughout Kaua'i to learn more about Hawaiian culture, Kaua'i history and sustainability. They were able to huaka'i to local organizations such as Koke'e State Park, Waipā, Mālama Hulē'ia, 'Iwikua, Hui Maka'āinana o Makana, Kaua'i Coffee and Anahola Solar Farm to learn about the different sustainability efforts happening on our island. One of the students said a highlight of their visit was attending a Bon Dance for the first time from which she drew connections to the Pow Wow's held in their region. For their ho'ike, the students assisted with dinner by harvesting food from the Kaua'i CC lo'i and ulutopia farm, then cooked it in our campus imu.

Kaua'i CC's connection with Humber College began when Dirk Soma, Kyoko Ikeda-Chun and Dennis Chun participated in Otago Polytechnic's Sustainability and Biculturalism course. During this course, they collaborated with faculty and staff from other indigenous serving institutions. The cohort identified 'ohana as being a value that is shared amongst other indigenous groups. The relationship between Kaua'i CC and Humber College continued to develop when the Title III Kahua Paepae Ola grant was able to support the travel of Kyoko Ikeda-Chun, Pua Rossi and Dirk Soma to Humber College in March 2023 (see photo, top right). The purpose of this trip was to establish international education exchanges focused on each college's role as indigenous serving institutions for the future benefit of students and faculty of both colleges. Mahalo to all the faculty and staff involved to make this a successful and memorable trip for these students!

### Faculty and Staff Wellness Workshops

*with Hale Mālama*

Dear Faculty and Staff,

Thank you so much for all the hard work you've put into students' learning at Kaua'i CC. You are an core component of this campus and your wellness is very important to us! Starting this Fall semester, we are developing wellness workshops for all faculty and staff in order to create a supportive space for you. We'd love to hear your thoughts and suggestions on what kind of workshops you'd like participate in (scan the QR code for the survey). Mahalo nui for taking the time to fill out the survey and allowing Hale Mālama to be on this journey with you. Stay tuned!



Sincerely,  
The Hale Mālama Team

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