

Subject: This Week at UH West O'ahu for week of Dec. 26
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A BULLETIN FOR UH WEST O'AHU FACULTY AND STAFF
This Week at UH West O'ahu
Week of Dec. 26

Message from Chancellor Benham regarding PD Day on Jan. 3

Aloha mai kākou e UH-West O'ahu 'Ohana!

I hope that the holidays have been filled with joy, laughter, good food and great conversations (or time to catch-up on all the stuff you've put off for awhile). In any case, we've been working hard on our January 3 Convocation and Professional Development Day activities and look forward to seeing you all there! There's much to share regarding our Strategic Action Plan (Academic programs, Enrollment and Student Success strategies, and Land/Facilities Development Plan) with opportunity for productive feedback.

Date: Wednesday, January 3, 2018

Time: 8 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Place: C-208

Heavy continental breakfast and snacks provided throughout the morning.

Please find attached our agenda for the morning.

Have a safe and wonderful New Year Celebration and see you on January 3!

e mālama pono!

Chancellor Benham

Niche ranks UH West O'ahu the No. 1 Best Small College in Hawai'i



2018 Best Small Colleges in Hawaii

The 2018 Best Small Colleges ranking is based on key statistics and student reviews using data from the U.S. Department of Education. Compare small private and public colleges with less than 5,000 students. [Read more](#) **More**



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LOCATION 📍

Hawaii 🔍

Suggested America

COLLEGE TYPE

4-Year

Private

Public

2-Year

Community

Trade/Career

MAJOR

All ▼

COST (NET PRICE) 🔊

Select a value

SPECIALTY

Online

#1 Best Small Colleges in Hawaii

University of Hawaii - West Oahu

4 Year • Kapolei, HI • ★★★★★☆ 271

Junior: At University of Hawaii-West Oahu, there's a lot of diversity and events on campus. There's a lot of people that get along and most of the professors are compassionate and caring. They want to see you pass and if there's any prob... [Read 271 Reviews](#)

B Overall Niche Grade • Acceptance Rate 68% • Net Price \$8,522 • SAT Range 800-980

Will You Get In? ♥ Add to List

#2 Best Small Colleges in Hawaii

Chaminade University of Honolulu

4 Year • Honolulu, HI • ★★★★★☆ 503

College Junior: Chaminade University is a very nice school. It's not too big that you get swallowed up by the masses, but not too small that there's aren't still great people to meet. What I love about the school is the overwhelming Aloha s... [Read 503 Reviews](#)

B Overall Niche Grade • Acceptance Rate 91% • Net Price \$18,660 • SAT Range 870-1060

Will You Get In? ♥ Add to List

#3 Best Small Colleges in Hawaii

Brigham Young University - Hawaii

UH West O'ahu ranked

as the [Best Small College in Hawai'i](#), the [Best Online College in Hawai'i](#), and No. 2 when it came to [Best Colleges in Hawai'i](#) (big and small) and [Top Public Universities in Hawai'i](#), according to rankings for 2018 by [Niche.com](#), a website that analyzes public data sets to produce rankings, report cards and profiles for colleges and other schools.

Student Affairs takes Christmas Tree contest with *Elf*-themed tree



Image courtesy Kainoa Nahulu

Student Affairs was deemed to have the best tree of six trees decorated by teams of staff and students at Kapolei Commons. The teams were invited to decorate trees for Kapolei Commons' first annual Holiday Classics Christmas Tree Contest, which displayed trees in front of the Regal Kapolei Commons 12 theatres. The winner was selected through an online vote. Teams were given Christmas movie themes to design their trees, with Student Affairs drawing the movie *Elf*.

Congratulations go out to the team from Student Affairs, which included Kainoa Nahulu, Kehau Kahanu, Judy Oliveira, Walter Kahumoku, Linda Shimabukuro, Brandon Carlos, Lei Aken, Camille Hampton, Judy Layfield, Wela Wahilani, Hoku Talo, Pu'u Zablan, Pohai Mederois, Pamali Freeman, Kim Reed, Kim Akin, Rona Yogi, Tiana Henderson, and BJ Kahawaii.

Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders in the Hawaiian Islands



The University of Hawai'i - West O'ahu, and the Academy for Creative Media at West O'ahu are co-sponsors for the upcoming [Asian American, Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Heritage in the Hawaiian Islands forum](#) scheduled for Jan. 26 and 27 at the Imin Conference Center at the East-West Center.

The public forum is designed to foster conversations about underrepresented narratives from the Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander populations. [Registration is open](#) for the forum. The schedule is:

- **Friday, Jan. 26, 5-7 p.m.:** Youth Video Project video shorts screening and panel discussion. A collaboration between UH West O'ahu's Academy of Creative Media and Searider Productions at Wai'anae High School. Free but [registration is](#) required.
- **Saturday, Jan. 27, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.:** A one-day Forum includes guest speakers, educational sessions, cultural performances and a community workshop and action planning. Includes lunch and closing reception. [Early Bird Registration](#) \$65 until January 5; General Registration Jan. 6 – 19 is \$85.

Anne Frank exhibit headed for Hawai'i

The [Spark M. Matsunaga Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution](#) together with the [Anne Frank House Museum](#) in Amsterdam and the Dutch Consul General have brought the Anne Frank House exhibit to four schools in Hawaii this season. [Mid-Pacific Institute](#). is kindly hosting a community day and inviting all to come to their campus to be guided through the exhibit and learn of wonderful related peace education resources. The exhibit is entirely student-led and explores the themes of nationalism, moral courage, sanctuary, peace, and conflict, among others.

There are also exhibit panels on kanaka movements, education, nationalism, and cultural production for peace and healing. These local bilingual English-Hawaiian panels were created by artist and educator Meleanna Meyer with contributions from Maya Soetoro-Ng, Amber Strong Makaiau, and Josh Cooper.

Nominate a UH West O'ahu faculty member, librarian for Excellence in Teaching

[You can help recognize outstanding effort](#) by a UH West O'ahu faculty member or librarian by nominating them for the UH Board of Regents' 2017-2018 Excellence in Teaching awards. The award acknowledges faculty members who exhibit an extraordinary level of subject mastery and scholarship, are effective teachers and possess qualities that benefit students.

403(b) tax deferred annuity plan pre-retirement information session

Nathan Glassey, Vice President for Non-ERISA Retirement Services, National Benefit Services, will be conducting a 403(b) Pre-retirement session, on Thursday, January 4, 2018, 2 p.m., via HITS video conferencing. For more information and to register, visit the [OHR registration site](#). Deadline to register is Friday, December 29, 2017.

Questions regarding this session and/or if you require an auxiliary aid or accommodation due to a disability, please contact the System Office of Human Resources (OHR) at 956-8643 or via email to uh-ohrtrain-l@lists.hawaii.edu as soon as possible.

Gov. Ige's supplemental budget request includes UH West O'ahu

UH West O'ahu would receive 14 more full-time positions under [Hawai'i Gov. David Ige's Fiscal Year 2019](#) supplemental budget request being submitted to the Legislature for consideration. The proposed supplemental budget for UH West O'ahu would add \$900,000 to UHWO's operating budget for 2018-2019.

Included in the proposal are four faculty positions to support indigenous natural resources and environmental management, chemistry, biology, and physics programs, and four positions to support early college, internship, organic garden and teacher preparation.

Another three positions in Student Affairs would include an online tutoring coordinator, a registered nurse, and an indigenous education coordinator. Institutional Support would receive three positions if the budget is passed for a security officer, janitor and security and emergency management manager.

The additional positions are in keeping with UHWO's strategic plan and the completion in 2018 of the new Allied Health/Administration building, both of which place a significant focus on program expansion, curriculum development, and other activities.

The Governor's proposed supplemental budget [did not include everything](#) that had been requested by the University of Hawai'i, including more positions for UH West O'ahu and money to relocate UH Mānoa's Dental Hygiene Program to UH West O'ahu.

Laulima scheduled to go offline for upgrades on Dec. 26, 27



Laulima, the learning and collaboration server for the University of Hawai'i System, will be offline starting 10 p.m. HST on Tuesday, Dec. 26 until 2 p.m. the next day, Wednesday Dec. 27. When Laulima resumes operation, it will have been upgraded to Sakai version 11.4.

UH West O'ahu in the news

- [West O'ahu Voice, Dec. 20](#): UHWO's graduation is noted in West O'ahu Roundup; Sen. Mike Gabbard's column includes expansion and projects being proposed for campus.
- [Hawai'i Employers Council](#): Megan Jorah, a UH West O'ahu graduate, has joined as a HR consultant.
- [Civil Beat, Dec. 22](#): Gov. Ige's supplemental budget request includes 11 positions "to address enrollment growth and campus development" at UH West Oahu, the only campus in the system with consistently expanding enrollment."
- [Go Kapolei magazine, December](#): UH West O'ahu's Academy for Creative Media is profiled in a three-

page article.

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News from [E Kamakani Hou](#)



UHWO Sustainable Community Food System Program to Host National Sustainable Agriculture

Conference: The UH West O'ahu Sustainable Community Food Systems Program (SCFS) will host the 9th national Sustainable Agriculture Education Association Conference (SAEA) and the Ho'ōla 'Āina O Mā'ilikūkahi Youth Food Sovereignty Congress from July 27-29, 2018 at the University of Hawai'i - West O'ahu. [\[More\]](#)

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Graduation was a family affair for Lynn Robinson-Onderko and Gus Harrington: They enrolled at UH West O'ahu for different reasons during different semesters in different concentrations. But on Saturday, Dec. 9, Lynn Robinson-Onderko and her son Gus Harrington donned their black gowns and mortarboards and shared the graduation dais together during UH West O'ahu's fall 2017 Commencement. [\[More\]](#)

UH West O'ahu Calendar

Tuesday, Dec. 26

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Friday, Dec. 29

- [Winter Break closures: Library Closed, No'eau Center, Dining Hall, Bookstore](#)

Saturday, Dec. 30

- [Winter Break closures: Library Closed, No'eau Center, Dining Hall, Bookstore](#)

Monday, Jan. 1


- Jan. 1: New Year's Day. Campus closed

Tuesday, Jan. 2

- Jan. 2: [Registration for unclassified students](#) (non-degree) and auditors begins 8 a.m.

- [Library reopens](#), special schedule 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
- [Bookstore reopens](#)

*For the latest UHWO event information, view and submit listings to the [UHWO calendar](#).
Want to include your story in the *This Week at UHWO News Bulletin* or *E Kamakani Hou*? Submit
a [Communications Request Form](#) to the UH West O'ahu Communications Department.*



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