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A BULLETIN FOR UH WEST O'AHU FACULTY AND STAFF  
**This Week at UH West O'ahu**

Week of Sept. 3, 2019

**V.E.T.S. Program Grand Opening - Today**



The Veterans Empowered Through STEM (V.E.T.S.) Program grand opening is today, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., in E135. The space features state-of-the-art equipment, including eight 3D printers, several robotics kits, and more. The program's mission is to create an environment for veterans to have a place to mingle with other veterans, work on personal/course projects, and have an opportunity to learn about the resources available to veteran and active military students. For more information, contact Chantal DeWall at [cnewell@hawaii.edu](mailto:cnewell@hawaii.edu).

**Mystery Basket Tasting Demo to debut tomorrow, will be a monthly event at Nāulu Center**

Learn how to use a mystery basket filled with different ingredients and create a meal with Ryan Perreira, UH West O'ahu Sports, Fitness and Wellness Coordinator. Come see Ryan stress out as he creates tasty dishes. The first tasting demonstration is scheduled for 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., this Wednesday, Sept. 4.

The event will run monthly during the 2019-2020 Academic Year except for January 2020. Perreira promises Mystery Basket will illuminate ways to beat stress, expand your mind's horizons, and learn life skills such as eating healthy, budgeting, and cleaning along with boosting self esteem, contributing to the health of family and friends, and applying critical thinking skills learned in school. Mystery Basket will be open to students, faculty, lecturers and staff.

**Sample Coca Cola Products, Sept. 5**



Please join us in sampling a few new flavors by "Coca Cola" on Thursday, Sept. 5, from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Sampling is complimentary to UH West O'ahu students, faculty, and staff, in the Dining Hall. Tokai students, staff, and faculty are also welcome.

### **Contract Renewal Application and Process, Sept. 6**

The Fall 2019 Contract Renewal, Tenure, and Promotion Workshop series continues with **Contract Renewal Application and Process** this Friday, Sept. 6, 1:30 p.m. in D237.

This panel will provide an overview of the contract renewal application process, including procedures, timelines, and strategies. We will also discuss ways to structure your contract renewal application so that your work prepares you for the tenure and promotion application process. This session will be particularly valuable for probationary (tenure-track) faculty in their first or second years of employment as well as non-tenure-track faculty who submit contract renewals annually. However, the session is open to everyone!

- Alan Rosenfeld, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
- Loea Akiona, Associate Specialist and Coordinator for Career Services
- Carmen Nolte-Odhiambo, Assistant Professor of English
- James Kardash, Associate Executive Director of UHPA

### **Deadline for President's Award for Excellence in Building and Grounds Maintenance approaching**

The University of Hawai'i President's Award for Excellence in Building and Grounds Maintenance is a systemwide award which recognizes the dedicated efforts of an individual from any facilities management office who has exhibited sustained superior performance in a maintenance, landscaping, custodial, shop or trucking position.

We invite you to submit nominations for the 2019 awards. The eligibility, criteria and nomination form can be found at <https://www.hawaii.edu/about/awards/bng.php>. Information about past award recipients can also be found on the site. This year's winner was UH Mānoa's Xiao Cheng: <http://go.hawaii.edu/Gs4> The deadline to submit nominations is Monday, September 9, 2019 by 4:30 p.m. For more information, please contact the Office of the President at [president@hawaii.edu](mailto:president@hawaii.edu).

### **Willard Wilson Distinguished Service Award nominations are due next Monday, Sept. 9**

The University of Hawai'i Board of Regents Willard Wilson Distinguished Service Award is intended to recognize an employee whose commitment and performance has made a significant impact on the University of Hawai'i System.

We invite you to submit nominations for the 2019 Awards. The eligibility, criteria, and nomination form can be found at <http://go.hawaii.edu/GsW>. Information about past award winners can also be found on the site. This year's winner was Ralph Yoshioka of ITS: <http://go.hawaii.edu/NsG>. The deadline to submit nominations is Monday, September 9, 2019 by 4:30 p.m. For more information please contact the Office of the President at [president@hawaii.edu](mailto:president@hawaii.edu).

## SACNAS discount available for UH students, faculty, and staff through Sept. 19

The Society for the Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS) announced a special discount for University of Hawai'i students, faculty and staff for 2019 SACNAS-The National Diversity in STEM conference, which is scheduled from October 31–November 2, 2019, at the Hawaii Convention Center.

The UH promotion runs August 28–September 19. UH registrants are encouraged to access the discount, worth \$50 off regular pricing, by going to the UH Office of STEM Education website at <https://www.hawaii.edu/offices/aa/stem/home/2019-sacnas/> to register and by entering the special discount code: 808SPECIAL on the payment page during the registration process. The discount is available to all registrants who are Hawaii residents, with the exception of those with installment plans and exhibitors.

## Congratulations! UH West O'ahu receives SARA membership

UH West O'ahu was recognized as an institutional participant in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (SARA) initiative. SARA increases administrative efficiency and lowers the costs of obtaining authorization to provide postsecondary distance education in states that join. These benefits are resulting in increased access as institutions are able to make their academic programs more widely available and accept enrollments from students in many other states.

## Distance Education Tip of the Week - Timeline JS

Timeline JS is an open-source storytelling tool that can be used to create interactive timelines. You can add photos, video, audio, tweets, and Google maps to your timelines. If you are interested in learning more tips visit the [Office of Distance Learning's microsite](#).

## UH West O'ahu in the News

Hawaii Public Radio - [Fewer Students in UH Classrooms Today Than a Decade Ago](#)

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## News from E Kamakani Hou



**Fall 2019 'Āina-to-'Ōpū workshops to feature chive pancakes, herbal bitters, and Cambodian curry** - UH West O'ahu's 'Āina-to-'Ōpū Workshop series is back with a trio of delectable and diverse offerings. UH West O'ahu students, faculty, and staff are invited to the free workshops.

**Support the UH West O'ahu Student Organic Garden** - The community is invited to join UH West O'ahu [student organic garden](#) managers for a hands-on workday one weekend each month throughout the Fall 2019 semester.

**Dr. Carmen Nolte-Odhiambo publishes chapter examining episode of Netflix show "Black Mirror"** - [Carmen Nolte-Odhiambo](#), UH West O'ahu Assistant Professor of English, published a chapter in "[Childhood, Science Fiction, and Pedagogy](#)," published by Springer and edited by Andrew Gibbons and former UH West O'ahu faculty David Kupferman.

**Make music at UH West O'ahu this Fall** - Join the University of Hawai'i–West O'ahu University Band, play with the University Strings, sing with the University Chorus, and play and sing *mele Hawai'i* (Hawaiian music) with the Hawaiian Ensemble at UH West O'ahu this fall.

**Veterans Empowered Through STEM (V.E.T.S.) grand opening, Sept. 3** - UH West O'ahu veteran students, especially those with an interest in STEM fields, will have a space on campus to gather with the opening of the UH West O'ahu Veterans Empowered Through STEM (V.E.T.S.) lounge.

## UH West O'ahu Calendar of Events

### Tuesday, Sept. 3

- Last day to drop class with 100% refund, no W grade
- Last day to add or register and change grading option
- HITS Request deadline from Divisions (BUSA, HAW, SSCI); Class that are scheduled in B157
- ASUHWO Tea Time, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., D building Breezeway
- Play to Learn (Free Play), 3 to 7 p.m. on the Great Lawn

### Wednesday, Sept. 4

- Mystery Basket Tasting Demo. Come watch Sports, Fitness and Wellness Coordinator Ryan Perreira concoct a meal from a mystery basket filled with different ingredients. 9 to 11 a.m., Nāulu Center Prep kitchen.
- V.E.T.S. Program Grand Opening, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., E135
- 'Āina to 'Ōpu Workshop - Savory Chive Pancakes. Join Chef Jah Kaluhiokalani in making Buchujeon with dipping sauce. 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., Nāulu Center kitchen. Inquiries, RSVPs: [tasiay@hawaii.edu](mailto:tasiay@hawaii.edu).

### Thursday, Sept. 5

- Weekly Harvest Day, Student Organic Garden. 9 to 11 a.m.
- Sample Coca Cola products, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Dining Hall
- Play to Learn (Free Play), 3 to 7 p.m. on the Great Lawn

### Friday, Sept. 6

- Contract Renewal, Tenure, and Promotion Workshop: Contract Renewal Application and Process, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., D237

### Saturday, Sept. 7

- Saturday Community Workday in the Student Organic Garden. Learn to prepare soil, build compost, install irrigation, sow seed, harvest produce. Bring water, sun protection, shoes and a healthy snack to share. Optional potluck afterwards. Inquiries, RSVPs: [tasiay@hawaii.edu](mailto:tasiay@hawaii.edu).

### Monday, Sept. 9

- SOC and Registration Timeline for Spring 2020 Cycle: 1st Draft due from Division via Google Sheets; sheets will be locked the next morning.
- Nohoha Hawai'i - Living a Hawaiian Way with Aunty Lynette Paglinawan. Form and Essence in Healing work. 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m., Hale Kuahuokalā.

### Monday, Sept. 9 to Sunday Sept. 29

- SOC and Registration Timeline for Spring 2020 Cycle: Division Chairs review draft schedule with Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. Changes from these review meeting may be submitted to Scheduler after the release of the edited revisions.

*The deadline to include your item in the next This Week is Thursday night. Please submit your item using the Communication Department's [Communications Request Form](#).*

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