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Hawai'i Papa O Ke Ao

Hawai'i Foundation of Enlightenment/Knowledge

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Hawai'i Papa O Ke Ao, comprised of representatives of each campus, is a presidential appointed work committee tasked with developing, implementing and assessing strategic actions to make the University of Hawai'i a leader in indigenous education. The phrase simply means Hawai'i Foundations of Enlightenment/Knowledge. The deeper application of this name is cosmogonic, for in the name is Papahānaumoku (Papa) and Wākea (reflected in his Ao form), original parents of Hawai'i Consciousness.





Hawai'i Papa O Ke Ao

Since January 2012, the Hawai'i Papa O Ke Ao Report set goals and objectives to address the higher education needs of our indigenous people—Native Hawaiians—by creating a model indigenous serving institution.



Title III

The UH programs and projects supported by Title III funding range from tutoring and peer mentoring services to bridge/transition programs, to creation of affirming and culturally rich spaces on campuses.

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Native Hawaiian Councils

The purpose of the Pūko'a Council of the University of Hawai'i is to provide a formal, independent voice and organization through which the Native Hawaiian faculty, administrators and students of the UH system can participate in the development and interpretation of system-wide policy and practice as it relates to Native Hawaiian programs, activities, initiatives and issues.



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The University of Hawai'i aspires to be the world's foremost indigenous serving university and embraces its unique responsibilities to the indigenous people of Hawai'i and to Hawai'i's indigenous language and culture.

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