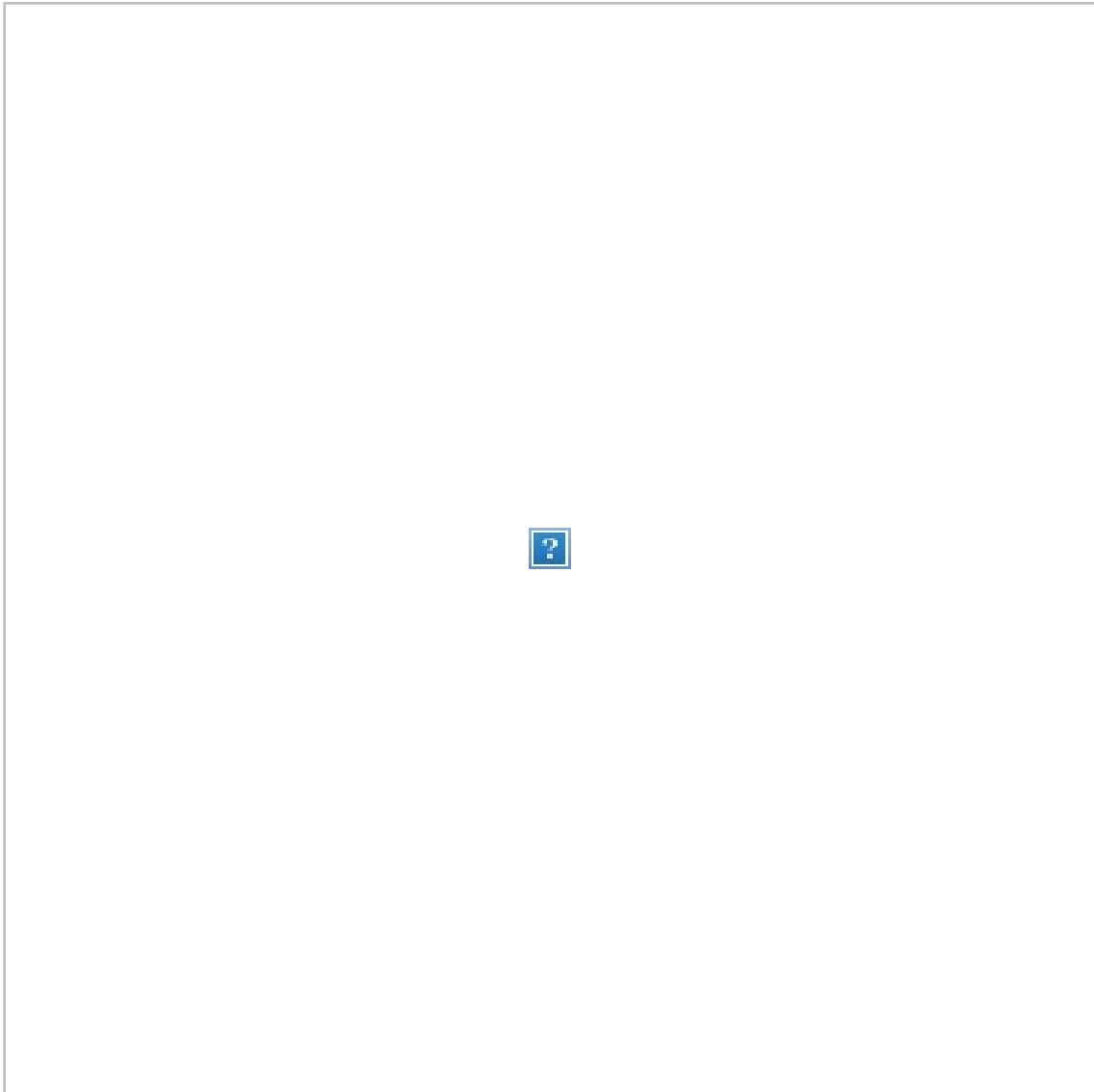


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### **See you at Spring 2019 Commencement this Saturday, May 4**

One of UH West O'ahu's largest graduating classes (more than 300 students) are earning bachelor's degrees and certificates this semester. Come celebrate these college graduates at the Spring 2019 Commencement, which is set for 9 a.m. in the Courtyard this Saturday. Former Kamehameha Schools director Neil Hannahs will give the keynote address. Kanānā Kuhaulua will give the student speech, while Lizchel Ugalde will be the student emcee.

### **Inaugural Open Educational Resources Awards open for entries**

The [UH West O'ahu Open Educational Resources](#) Committee recently announced it was accepting applications in three categories that recognize achievement in Open Educational Resources (OER), which is a movement to lower educational costs with free instructional material. Applications are being accepted through Thursday, May 9 in the Open Educator Award (<https://forms.gle/vwFYcFAu1tvE2U9v9>), OER Creation Award (<https://forms.gle/zR59BMuuT9mtFfwW7>), and Designing OER Renewable Assignment Award (<https://forms.gle/pw2YAZjWpDQQqG9N9>).

### **Open Educational Resources workshops to run May 6-9**

Faculty and lecturers are invited to attend workshops that run three hours each day, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday May 6 to Thursday, May 9. This is a general introduction to OER, so no prior knowledge about the subject is expected. Participants who successfully complete the workshop will be eligible for a stipend. Register here: <http://go.hawaii.edu/XgG>.



### **Library, No'eau Center, IT Help Desk, others to go to Summer Schedule on May 6**

Beginning Monday, May 6, several programs on campus will implement a summer schedule. The James & Abigail Campbell Library will go from six days a week to five (no Saturdays) and be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. The IT Help Desk will implement similar hours, while the No'eau Center will run from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., M-F.

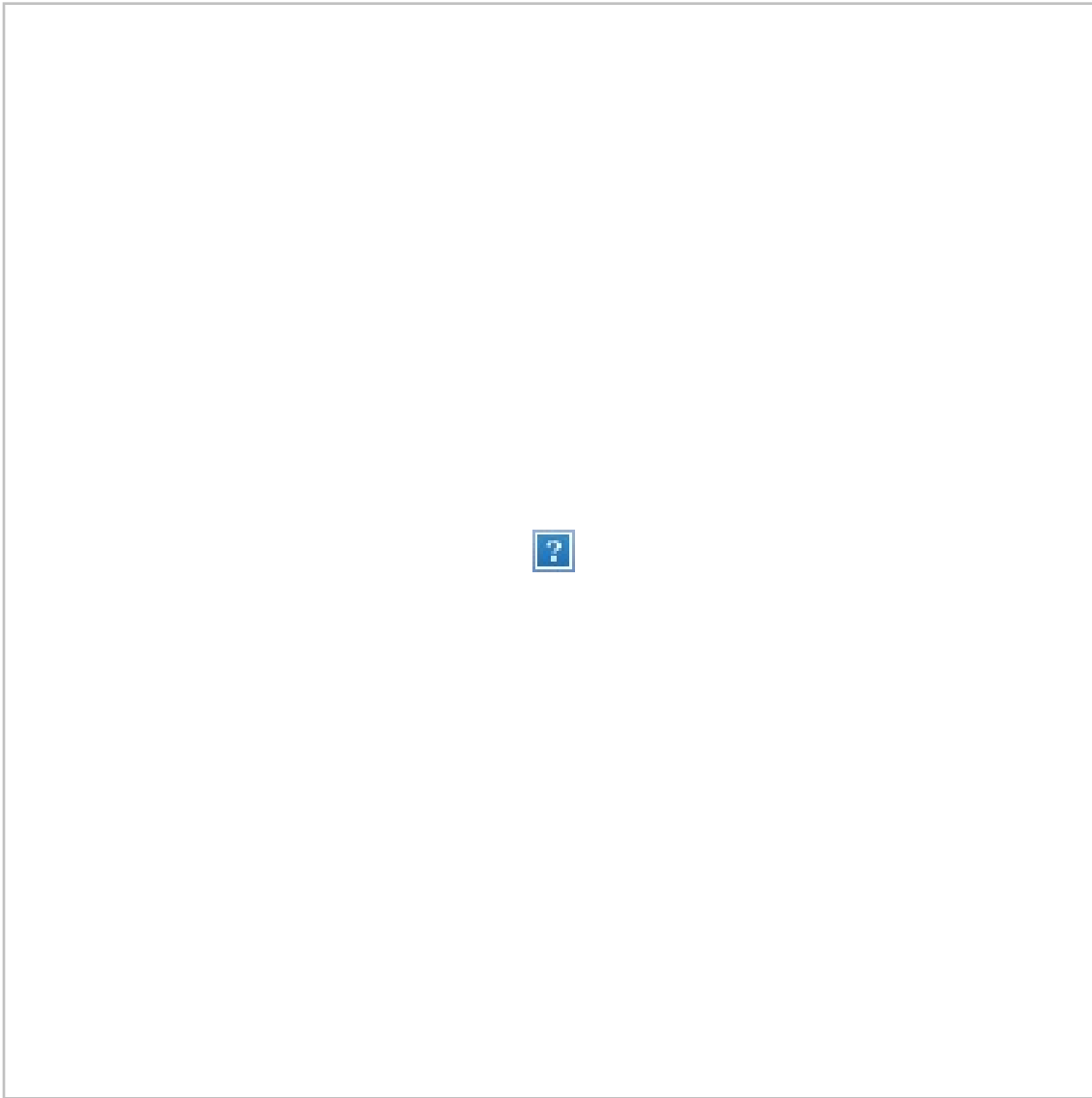
The Nāulu Center will be closed from Wednesday, May 8, to Friday, May 10, for cleaning. Beginning May 13 the hours will be 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The Pueo Fitness Center will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Mondays to Thursdays and from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Fridays. It will also be closed for several days during the summer also; see an article on the [E Kamakani Hou](#) website for details.

### **Fire Protection Systems Semi-Annual Inspection, Testing, set for May 7 – 9**

UH West O'ahu and Contractor, Johnson Controls, will conduct testing of the University's fire protection systems from May 7 to May 9. Audible alarms, visual alarms, smoke detectors and pull stations on the first floors of all building will be inspected and tested. The FM200 fire suppression systems in the Library and Maintenance buildings will be inspected and tested. The Audible/Visual Testing will be prior to 8:00 a.m., on all days with other silent inspections and testing throughout the test days.

During the fire alarm testing, the audible alarms will sound (very loud) and the visual alarms will strobe intermittently. The audible and visual testing will be conducted one building at a time and should be completed prior to 8 a.m., should there be any changes or any delays, an email update will be sent. Johnson Controls

service technicians will be wearing their company uniforms and will be escorted by UH West O'ahu Environmental Health and Safety Office personnel. The Environmental Health and Safety Office encourages you to review fire evacuation procedures during the testing. Thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation during this important testing of our fire protection systems. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Beverly Orillo at 689-2529 or [bbasilio@hawaii.edu](mailto:bbasilio@hawaii.edu).



**Vote for your choice - Who won the Can-Petition?**

The polls are open in UH West O'ahu's Can-Petition in which teams from the Chancellor's Office, Academic Affairs, Student Affairs and Administration collected and then used cans to build what they could with the items. You can vote by heading to the James & Abigail Campbell Library and making a monetary donation for the design that you favor. May 3 is the last day to vote.

**Deadline tomorrow: Here's your chance to make changes in health plans, etc.**

A final reminder - the open enrollment period ends on Tuesday, April 30, 2019, for the [Island Flex Flexible Spending Accounts](#) (FSA) program, [Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund](#) (EUTF), Premium Conversion Plan (PCP) and [Part-time & Temporary Medical & Prescription Drug Plan](#). The information is available on the UH Office of Human Resources website.

**Grand Challenges Summer Institute: Focus on Water to be hosted at UH West O'ahu**

[A three-day institute on water issues in Hawai'i is scheduled for May 13 to 15 at UH West O'ahu.](#) The event is a collaboration of the SENCER Hawai'i Summer Institute, the UH West O'ahu Institute of Engaged Scholarship,

MA'O Organic Farm, Kapi'olani Service & Sustainability Learning, UH at Mānoa College of Social Sciences, UHM ACCESS Department, the UH System Office of Sustainability, the AASHE Regional Center for Sustainability across Curriculum, and the SENCER Center for Innovation West Regional Meeting.

### **Rail station work continues; to affect traffic on Kualaka'i Parkway near campus this week**

Work on the Keone'ae (UH West O'ahu) rail station will affect traffic near the campus this week, according to station contractor Nan, Inc. This includes:

- One northbound lane may be closed between Keahumoa Parkway and Farrington Highway from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. One through lane is to remain open.
- One or two southbound lanes may be closed between Farrington Highway and Keahumoa Parkway from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. At least one through lane is to remain open.

### **Distance Learning Tip of the Week – Focus Writer**

FocusWriter is a free tool that you can use to create a distraction-free writing environment on the desktop of your computer. You can customize the backgrounds to themes that will help you focus. The tool also offers timer, alarms, goal setting, and spell checking. You can learn more about this tool at <https://gottcode.org/focuswriter/>. If you are interested in learning more about using other online tools, consider attending one of our weekly workshops. You can find more information about workshops and read other tech tips by visiting <https://westoahu.hawaii.edu/distancelearning/> or emailing [uhwode@hawaii.edu](mailto:uhwode@hawaii.edu).

### **UH West O'ahu in the News**

- [Governor.nc.gov, April 24](https://www.governor.nc.gov): Tiffany Bartholomew, a UH West O'ahu graduate, was appointed as a District Court Judge in North Carolina.
- [SANS Institute NewsBites Newsletter, April 23](#): UH West O'ahu is No. 1 in the state of Hawai'i. on a list of Top Tier of U.S. Colleges for Discovering and Developing Cyber Talent, and No. 27 nationally.
- [Civil Beat, April 26](#): UH West O'ahu mentioned in an article about a legislative bill that would reduce the number of seats on the UH Board of Regents.

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### **News from [E Kamakani Hou](#)**



### **66 UH West O‘ahu students inducted into NSLS leadership honor society**

Some 66 UH West O‘ahu students were inducted in April into the UH West O‘ahu Chapter of the [National Society of Leadership and Success](#) (NSLS) during its first-ever induction event. [\[Read More\]](#)

### **Library, IT Help Desk, and No‘eau Center switching to summer hours on May 6**

The end of the spring semester will bring with it reduced hours at the James and Abigail Campbell Library, No‘eau Center, and the the IT Help Desk. [\[Read More\]](#)

### **UH West O‘ahu Calendar of Events**

#### **Monday, April 29**

- [Final examinations](#)
- [Registration for new classified](#) (degree-seeking) transfer students

#### **Tuesday, April 30**

- [Weekly Māla Harvest Day](#). 9:00 to 11 a.m., Student Organic Garden. Questions? [tasiay@hawaii.edu](mailto:tasiay@hawaii.edu).
- [UH West O‘ahu Intramural](#)s Free Play. Dodgeball. 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Great Lawn. Questions: [imwest@hawaii.edu](mailto:imwest@hawaii.edu)
- [UH West O‘ahu Intramural](#) - Dodgeball League. ‘Aiea District Gym. 6:15-9:15 p.m.. Questions: [imwest@hawaii.edu](mailto:imwest@hawaii.edu)

- [Final examinations](#)
- Zumba, 4:30 p.m., the Loft area of Campus Center
- Deadline to change medical/drug/dental plans during EUTF Open Enrollment. For more information on changing plans, go to: <https://eutf.hawaii.gov/>

#### **Wednesday, May 1**

- [Final examinations](#)
- [Summer Session 1 Priority](#) application deadline
- [Summer Session 2 Priority](#) application deadline

#### **Thursday, May 2**

- [Final examinations](#)

#### **Friday, May 3**

- [Final examinations](#)
- Last day to vote in the Can-Petition for the Hawai'i Foodbank at the James & Abigail Campbell Library.

#### **Saturday, May 4**

- Spring 2019 Commencement ceremony, 9 a.m., Courtyard.

#### **Monday, May 6**

- [Registration for first-time](#) new classified (degree-seeking) freshmen
- [Summer hours instituted](#) for library, No'eau Center, IT Help Desk. .
- Pueo Fitness Center closed.

*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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