



Project Hōkūlani Student Application Form | Internship Only Track

Thank you for applying for Project Hōkūlani Internship Track Program. For our project, STEM (or science, technology, engineering and math) includes a wide variety of different things—like chemistry, cooking (culinary arts), creative media technology, identifying native fish or plants, understanding what type of soil is best for various plants, knowing the reasons behind local fishing techniques, participating in planting native plants, fish pond restoration, or mālama ‘āina work, navigating a boat, etc. We hope to encourage more Native Hawaiian students to be more interested in STEM areas and enter into postsecondary STEM programs.

In our internship program track, students will:

- complete a 40-hour paid summer work-based learning opportunity (or internship)
- gain introductory knowledge and skills in a STEM area
- learn from working STEM professionals
- and more!

Instructions:

Please complete the questions in this application form. Then, ask an adult (such as parent/guardian, teacher counselor, coach, pastor) to submit a recommendation form for you. For more information about the adult recommendation, please see Section 6 of this form.

Section 1: General Information

1. First and Last Name (Legal Name): _____

Please include any okinas and kahakos.

2. Mailing address (You should be able to receive envelopes and packages at this address):

Street

City

Zip Code

3. Island: ☐ O‘ahu ☐ Hawai‘i Island ☐ Lāna‘i ☐ Maui ☐ Kaua‘i

4. Your phone number: (_____) _____

(Please list a good phone number to contact with any questions about your application or once accepted into the program.)

5. Your e-mail address: _____

(Please list a good Email address to contact you. Do not list your school email address here.)

6. Best contact method (check one):

☐ E-mail ☐ Phone ☐ Text ☐ Other (please specify) _____

7. Your parent/guardian's name (Legal name): _____

Your parent/guardian's phone number: (_____) _____

Your parent/guardian's e-mail address: _____

8. Name of the High School you are *currently attending* this school year (2023-2024)

9. Current Grade Level (School Year 2023-2024):

☐ Freshman ☐ Sophomore ☐ Junior ☐ Senior

10. Do you have Native Hawaiian ethnic background? ☐ Yes ☐ No

11. Are you enrolled in a special education program? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unsure

If you are selected for our program, we will contact you and your family to accommodate your needs.

Section 2: Tell Us a Little about Yourself

If you feel more comfortable, you can write your responses in 'Ōlelo Hawai'i

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Section 3: Selecting an Internship Site

Step 1: Review the list of **available internship sites** and the **number of openings** at each site.

Step 2: Go to: <https://cds.coe.hawaii.edu/hokulani/internship-sites/> and read through the descriptions of the internship options **located on your island**.

Step 3: Then, select **two sites**. *Remember: Only select internship sites on the same island that you live.*

Step 4: In the space below, tell us why working at these sites would mean a lot to you.

Why did you select this internship site? How would it help you or your future if you had the opportunity to work at the internship sites that you selected?

If you need more space, type your answers on a separate page.

(A) My **First Choice** Internship Site: *(please select 1 option below)*

Island of Kauaʻi

- ☐ Hui Makaʻāinana o Makana – Hāena State Park | 5 openings
- ☐ Iwikua – Waimea | 4 openings
- ☐ Kauaʻi National Wildlife Refuge Complex — Kīlauea | 5 openings

Island of Oʻahu

- ☐ Mālama Loko Ea Foundation – Haleʻiwa | 2 opening
- ☐ Kākoʻo ʻŌiwi – Kāneʻohe | 3 openings
- ☐ Hawaiʻi Institute of Marine Biology — Kāneʻohe | 2 openings
- ☐ Camp Palehua — Makakilo | 3 openings

Island of Lānaʻi and Maui

- ☐ Four Seasons Observatory – Lānaiʻi City | 1 opening
- ☐ Venture Physical Therapy - Lānaiʻi City & Kihei, Maui | 2 opening
- ☐ Limu Restoration Project – Lānaʻi | 5 openings

Island of Hawaiʻi

- ☐ Mauna Kea Forest Reforestation Project – Hilo | 2 openings
- ☐ Terraformation – Kailua-Kona | 2 openings
- ☐ Natural Energy Lab Hawaiʻi Authority — Kailua-Kona | 5 openings

In the space below, explain **Why** you selected this site as your FIRST choice.
If you feel more comfortable, you can submit your response in 'Ōlelo Hawai'i.

(B) My **Second Choice** Internship Site: *(please select 1 option below)*

Island of Kaua'i

- ☐ Hui Maka'āinana o Makana – Hāena State Park | 5 openings
- ☐ Iwikua – Waimea | 4 openings
- ☐ Kaua'i National Wildlife Refuge Complex — Kīlauea | 5 openings

Island of O'ahu

- ☐ Mālama Loko Ea Foundation – Hale'iwa | 2 opening
- ☐ Kāko'o 'Ōiwi – Kāne'ohe | 3 openings
- ☐ Hawai'i Institute of Marine Biology — Kāne'ohe | 2 openings
- ☐ Camp Palehua — Makakilo | 3 openings

Island of Lāna'i and Maui

- ☐ Four Seasons Observatory – Lānai'i City | 1 opening
- ☐ Venture Physical Therapy - Lānai'i City & Kihei, Maui | 2 opening
- ☐ Limu Restoration Project – Lāna'i | 5 openings

Island of Hawai'i

- ☐ Mauna Kea Forest Reforestation Project – Hilo | 2 openings
- ☐ Terraformation – Kailua-Kona | 2 openings
- ☐ Natural Energy Lab Hawai'i Authority — Kailua-Kona | 5 openings

In the space below, explain **Why** you selected this site as your SECOND choice.
If you feel more comfortable, you can submit your response in 'Ōlelo Hawai'i.

Section 4: High School Classes & Grades

We want to hear more about your favorite high school class or classes! Please share with us your favorite high school class (or classes) and a reason why you selected that class as your favorite(s):
If you feel more comfortable, you can submit your response in 'Ōlelo Hawai'i.

Section 5: Optional

Share any achievements, awards, participation in school clubs, honors, AP, career technical education, early college/dual credit programs, or other after-school or weekend activities.
If you feel more comfortable, you can submit your response in 'Ōlelo Hawai'i

[Optional] If you would like to include visual examples of the achievements and/or activities you shared above, please email a copy to projecth@hawaii.edu. (For example, you can share copies of photos, or a short video, PDF copies of awards, etc.)

Section 6: Adult Recommendation Letter

A letter of recommendation from an adult is required for this application. You will need to find an adult (such as a teacher, coach, pastor, parent/guardian, or community member) who is familiar with your strengths, abilities, interests, and you as a person. Then, ask this adult to fill out an adult recommendation form. Instructions and deadline are listed on the form.

- The adult can complete a recommendation form via Google Form at <https://go.hawaii.edu/y6q>
- Or download a PDF fillable form at <https://go.hawaii.edu/y6t> and then submit via Mail or Email.

If you have never asked for a recommendation letter before, these are the usual steps you take:

1. Explain to an adult that you are applying for Project Hōkūlani and share with them why joining this program is important to you.
2. Ask the adult if they would be willing to recommend you for Project Hōkūlani.
3. If they are able to complete a recommendation form, give them the links above.
4. Tell the adult that the directions and deadline are listed on the recommendation form.
5. If they are not able to complete the recommendation form before the deadline, thank them, and find another person.

First and Last Name of Adult who will submit a recommendation letter for you:

Adult's Email Address: _____

Adult's Phone Number: _____

Section 7: Student Agreement and Signature:

Please read the following & sign below:

- I understand that I will be required to participate in Project Hōkūlani internship Track program from December 2023 to July 2024 (*exact time period may differ between islands*).
- In addition, I understand that I will need to complete a 40-hour internship at a work site in the summer (June and/or July 2024) and complete a presentation about my experience at a hō'ike on July 27, 2024.
- I understand that when completing the Hōkūlani internship track program, I will receive up to a \$500 stipend.
- For the years after I complete the program, I will be asked to complete surveys to help evaluate the Hōkūlani program and share how I am doing.
- I completed all of the questions on this application.
- I promise that I answered the questions on this application honestly.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please submit the completed application to the address listed below by: **Friday, November 30, 2023**

Mahalo for applying to Project Hōkūlani Internship Track Program

Please mail the completed form to:

Mr. Jerrik Feliciano
Project Hōkūlani
Center on Disability Studies
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
1410 Lower Campus Rd., Bldg 171F
Honolulu, HI 96822

Or email to: projecth@hawaii.edu

If you prefer to submit this application as a Google Form, go to: <https://go.hawaii.edu/W6y>