



# Manawa Kūpono

Native Hawaiian Scholarship Program  
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

The primary intent of the Manawa Kūpono Native Hawaiian Scholarship is to provide financial support to full-time classified undergraduate and graduate students of Native Hawaiian ancestry who are enrolled at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa during the 2021-2022 Academic Year.

## ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Be of Hawaiian Ancestry
2. Be a classified full-time undergraduate or graduate student at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa during the 2021-2022 Academic Year.
3. Demonstrate financial need based on the Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) from the 2021-2022 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)  
<https://fafsa.ed.gov/>
4. Possess a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or better (for undergraduate students) or 3.00 (for graduate students) at the time of application.

## PREFERENCE

*Interested individuals who meet the criteria above are encouraged to apply. Note that applicants who also meet the additional criteria below will be given priority consideration.*

1. Graduates from one of our target high schools:
  - James B. Castle High School, Kailua High School, Ke Kula Kaiapuni 'o Ānuenue, Nānākuli High School, Wai'anae High School, Hāna High School, Hilo High School, Lāna'i High School, Moloka'i High School, Waimea High School
2. Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM), Hawaiian Language or Early Childhood Education majors.

## TO APPLY

The application and all required documents (listed on the next page) must be submitted through Manawa Kūpono's Dropbox. Applications received after the deadline will be deemed late and may not be considered. Manawa Kūpono will not be responsible for any lost or delayed application and/or supporting documents.

Dropbox Link: <http://go.hawaii.edu/2VJ>

**DEADLINE: April 5, 2021**

This scholarship is administered by the College Opportunities Program with funding provided by the Native Hawaiian Education Act under the U.S. Department of Education. The awarding of these scholarships is contingent upon the allocation of sufficient funding from the U.S. Department of Education. Manawa Kūpono reserves the right to update and change this application and/or its requirements from time to time without notice. The Manawa Kūpono coordinators have the right to retract, suspend or deny scholarship funds if the agreed upon terms are not met.



# APPLICATION CHECKLIST

A completed application package consists of all the documents listed below. Each document should be saved as a pdf file using the following format:

Applicant Last Name\_First Name\_Document Name.  
Upload your documents to the Dropbox link below.

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- Manawa Kūpono Scholarship Application
- Proof of Hawaiian ancestry. Submit only one copy of any of the following:
  - Birth Certificate, OHA Hawaiian Registry, Department of Hawaiian Home Land lease (DHHL), Kamehameha Schools Ho‘oulu Hawaiian Data Center Verification Letter
- Personal essay up to two pages answering the following prompt:
  - *What do you feel is your kuleana as a Native Hawaiian? How does your major and career plans contribute to the Native Hawaiian community?*
  - *Please share any difficulties or hardships you have experienced due to COVID-19.*
- One Letter of Recommendation from an academic instructor.
  - *Please provide the dropbox link to your recommender. Inform your recommender that you are waiving or not waiving your right to see their recommendation letter.*
- Resume (should be up-to-date and critiqued)
- A copy of your 2021-2022 FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR)
- Unofficial copy of your UHM college transcript.

*(If you will be an incoming freshman during the academic year 2021-2022, please submit your high school transcript. Also, please submit your transcript from any college/university that you attended outside of the UH system.)*



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**Please specify:**

Undergraduate

Graduate

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

LAST

FIRST

MIDDLE INITIAL

NAME:

BIRTHDATE (MM/DD/YYYY):

GENDER:

UH ID:

EMAIL:

CONTACT NUMBER:

CURRENT ADDRESS:

CITY:

ISLAND, STATE:

ZIP CODE:

MAILING ADDRESS:

CITY:

ISLAND, STATE:

ZIP CODE:

### EDUCATION

HIGH SCHOOL:

GRADUATION YEAR:

CLASS STANDING:  
AS OF FALL 2021

COP ALUMNI (YR):

INTENDED MAJOR/PROGRAM:

CUMULATIVE GPA:

EXPECTED GRADUATION DATE:

COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES ATTENDED:

INSTITUTION

YEAR

DEGREE

ESTIMATED FAMILY CONTRIBUTION (EFC) ON FAFSA 2021-22:

YES  NO I have informed my recommender of the following: (select one below)

I waive my right to see the letter of recommendation submitted.

I do not waive my right to see the letter of recommendation submitted.

I certify that the answers and responses provided for all of the items on the Manawa Kūpono Native Hawaiian Scholarship Application Form are complete and true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that providing incomplete, incorrect, or false information may result in the rescission or denial of my selection of the Manawa Kūpono Scholarship.

Signature

Date