

The Mānoa Monthly

Provided by UHM Graduate Student Organization

Dear Fellow Graduate Students,

As we are approaching mid-semester, I hope you are able to focus on your work while taking great care of yourselves during these trying times. We appreciate you and would like to offer you several exciting events in the coming weeks, including the Special Fall 2021 Merit Based Award Program in Research, the monthly Grants and Awards Program, and a professional headshot session, and many more. Continue following along with us to find out more details!

As always, we are here for you. Do not hesitate to reach out and let us know if there is anything we can do to assist you better. In the meantime, please continue to stay safe, healthy, and hydrated. You are making excellent progress!

Warm aloha,

Anh Phan, Merit Based Award Chair

A graphic for the General Assembly. It features the words "General Assembly" in a large, serif font, with "General" on the top line and "Assembly" on the bottom line. The text is centered within a sunburst-like shape made of many thin, yellow rectangular bars radiating from the center. Below the text, the date and time "October 21 - 6pm" and the password "PW: GSO2021GA" are written in a smaller, sans-serif font.

General Assembly

October 21 - 6pm
PW: GSO2021GA

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Fall Semester

Important Dates

November 5	Fall 2021 Graduates' Theses/Dissertations due to the Grad Division
December 9	Last day of Instruction
December 13 -17	Final Exams
December 17	Semester Ends
December 18	Tentative Commencement Date

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Fall Semester GSO General Assembly Meetings

October 21 | November 18 | December 9

FREE
GRAD STUDENT
HEADSHOTS
OCTOBER 19 - 21  **MORE INFO ON PAGE 7**

FEEDBACK & CONTRIBUTIONS

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The GSO newsletter is a platform for you, your department, and your campus organizations to share opportunities and events. If you have a contribution or feedback regarding the GSO newsletter, please email GSOinfo@hawaii.edu!

We are happy to feature your flyers and community events in our newsletters!

Merit Based Awards

The GSO's Merit-Based Awards recognize graduate students who excel in Diversity, Mentorship, Research, Service and Outreach, and Teaching.

Call for Proposals

The GSO is re-opening the 2020-21 application portal for the Merit Based Award for *excellence in Research*. GSO will fund one (1) student in the amount of \$5,000.

[POLICIES & CRITERIA](#) | [APPLICATION PORTAL](#)

APPLICATION DATES: OCTOBER 12 - NOVEMBER 9, 2021

Volunteer as a Peer Reviewer!

The Graduate Student Organization is recruiting graduate student volunteers to serve as Peer Reviewers for the Merit Based Award in Research in the Fall 2021. The tentative review period is from November 23 to December 6, 2021, and the reviewer meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2021, from 5:30pm to 7:30pm via Zoom. All Peer Reviewers must be present at this meeting.

INTERESTED IN SERVING AS A PEER REVIEWER?

Fill out this [form](#) or contact the Merit Based Award Chair, Anh Phan, at gsomerit@hawaii.edu

CHECK OUT THE 2020-21 MBA REPORT [HERE](#)



JOIN THE GSO

Executive Council!

Immediate appointment:

EMPLOYMENT & COMPENSATION CHAIR

The Employment and Compensation Chair's main focus is to increase Graduate Assistant pay and benefits, and oversee the improvement of working conditions, through engagement, investigation, documentation and reporting to the Executive Council.

Duties include, but are not limited to:

- Acting as the liaison between the Academic Labor United (ALU), the leading graduate student labor organization on campus, and GSO
- Attending ALU meetings and reporting to the Executive Council.
- Attending monthly GSO meetings

Enjoy a small monthly stipend, professional development, and representing your fellow graduate students!

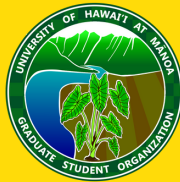
Contact GSO@hawaii.edu to express your interest!



Grants & Awards

- Up to **\$2,000** to fund research materials, professional development opportunities, attending/presenting at conferences (online due to COVID-19 restrictions) and more!
- Money is awarded on a **monthly** basis (next deadline is October 7th)

[FAQs](#) | [Policies](#) | [Deadlines](#) | [Apply Today!](#)



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GRADUATE STUDENT HEADSHOTS

Sign up to receive a FREE headshot. Limited to one background/one outfit. Optional touch-up services available (\$25 touch-up fee).

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OR EMAIL GSOEVENT@HAWAII.EDU



FALL 2021

ALOHA 'ĀINA FRIDAYS

Sept. 17th:

Dialogue Circle (10:30-11:30am)

Oct. 1st:

Mālama 'Āina (3:30-4:30pm)

Oct. 8th:

Speaker Presentation (12-1:30pm)

Featuring

Kauila Kanaka'ole & Ku'ulei Perreira-Keawekane

Oct. 29th:

Mālama 'Āina (3:30-4:30pm)

Nov. 19th:

Dialogue Circle(12pm-1pm)

Dec. 3rd:

Mālama 'Āina(3:30-4:30pm)

Hosted By:

Native Hawaiian Place of Learning Advancement Office

in partnership with Campus Arboretum Building and Grounds Management

Join the knowledge democratization movement

and help communities live up to their sustainable and happier-future aspirations by helping us liberate critical knowledge locked behind steep paywalls, unshackle public universities' research agendas from service to profit-making ends, refocus them on urgent societal and environmental issues, and welcome traditional and indigenous knowledge into academic spaces to counter the dangerous hegemony of scientific reductionism.

Together, let's build high-impact knowledge commons and collaborative-learning vehicles that cultivate crucial knowledge resources and wisdom in service to a diverse, just and inclusive society and for the benefit of our entire bioregion.

Find your place in any of our transdisciplinary knowledge-innovation ventures; claim your role as a knowledge architect, designer, applied epistemologist, cultural mediator, content curator, editor, technology steward or advocate of epistemic pluralism and knowledge democratization.

Happening this semester:

Consilience Think Tank

Putting transdisciplinarity and social design to work to create a happier, socioecologically benign future of Hawai'i.

OCT 29 @1 p.m. | Discussion focus: "When 'normal' is upended: Cultivating communities' cognitive readiness for the VUCA world"

NOV 12 @1 p.m. | Discussion focus: "Identifying consequential frames, scales of analysis and sense-making metaphors in socioecological systems transition research"

DEC 3 @1 p.m. | Discussion focus: "Examining ontologically suspect ideas: Putting regenerative tourism under a microscope"

Open-Door Editorial Meetings

Biweekly knowledge-sharing gatherings to crowdsource content for the production of our signature transdisciplinary bulletins: *Bounce Forward Guide*, *Climate Emergency and Environmental Justice Digest*, *Island Oikonomia*, *Ag-Hoc Insights*, *POlesis*, *Traveling Fugue*, *Low-Tech Inquirer*, and *The IWA Report*.

Biweekly, 1st and 3rd Monday @4 p.m. | More about our TD bulletins: tdb.imua.cc

Lumiere Nights

Screening enlightening gems of documentary cinematography that search for remedies to the lethal divide between humankind and nature

Next event: OCT 16 @6 p.m. | *Bright Green Lies* (dir. by Julia Barnes, 2021)

NEW: Carpe Librum Club

Monthly discussions of insightful must-reads that show pathways to cultivating the new ethos for an ecological civilization and enabling paradigm shifts

NOV 6 @5 p.m. | The book in focus: *The Great Awakening: New Modes of Life Amidst Capitalist Ruins* (Eds. A. Grear & D. Bollier, 2020)

Pueo Chats

Virtual confabulations of and for those who are awake, or who want to awaken, literally and figuratively

OCT 13 @8 p.m. | Inconvenient truths and convenient lies of green neoliberalism

NOV 24 @8 p.m. | Energy and complexity blindness of the local, export-oriented comprador bourgeoisie

NEW: The Quants & Qualia Project

Bi-monthly surveys to identify, measure, and qualify root causes of our bioregion's precarious unsustainability and painful social and economic inequality

The Imaginarium

Quarterly future-visioning and re-storying charrettes to expand the realm of possibility, enrich communities' social imaginaries, and elevate their aspirational horizons and agency

DEC 11 @10 a.m.-2 p.m. | Finding the door to "Another Now" and the moral courage to walk through it

Research Intelligence Briefings

Monthly science-policy and science-society consultations on the most consequential issues related to Hawai'i's green transformation challenges and amplified via our Signal-based channel for exchanging and discussing pertinent open-access publications

NOV 16 @1 p.m. | Dimensions of science-policy dialogue on climate emergency: Epistemic responsibility and culpable ignorance

DEC 21 @1 p.m. | Administrative philosophy for public servants in the crisis-ridden 21st century

NEW: Citizen-Science Hour

Co-production of a knowledge-translation podcast series addressing the many failures of awareness and unexamined sets of assumptions that govern (and limit) communities' attempts to make change

Contact us at commons@hawaii.edu if you wish to contribute your creative energies to building this new component of Hawai'i's digital knowledge commons.

NEW: Ānuenue.TV

Curating content for an online video channel informed by the thematic vectors of deep sustainability, community-resilience building, and positive social transformation. Ongoing prototyping effort, join at any time.

Living Labs for Ecosocial Innovation and Digital Knowledge Commons Design

Systems-thinking and social-design-based ateliers aimed at finding just solutions to the most pressing societal and environmental issues. Ongoing, join at any time.

The IWA Initiative

A critical university studies colloquium designed to enable reflexive organizational learning within Hawai'i's academia to facilitate transformation to a holistic, post-disciplinary, eco-design university whose collective intellectual capacity and behavior is adequate to meet the grand challenges of the 21st century

Winter series: Last week of December; exact dates to be confirmed.



As an epistemic community, a forum for ideas exchange, and a boundary-spanning organization with a presence across the entire institutional spectrum, IMUA Labs strives to identify deficits in critical knowledge and the presence of counterproductive epistemological beliefs in the regional knowledge system and to address them by creating high-engagement knowledge-intermediation vehicles and intellectual spaces that support Hawai'i's green transformation during its most challenging decade of socioecological and energy transition.

Ready for a virtual meet-and-greet? Visit the count-me-in web page to schedule a video chat or submit your questions, or send a subscribe-to-news-alerts request at inualabs@hawaii.edu. Because they are powered by volunteers, our programs and events repertoire may occasionally be affected by unforeseen schedule changes. We appreciate your understanding and patience in such situations.

