

# West Press

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## CAMPUS EVENTS

### UHWO Celebrates Fat Tuesday



From left: Halaulani Davan, Dr. Suzanne Falgout, Lisa Dobu, Alofa Togia, David Fink and Ruth Craft.

The UH West O'ahu Anthropology and Sociology Clubs hosted the annual Mardi Gras celebration on Tuesday, Feb. 24 amidst Cajun, Zydeco and rhythm and blues tunes. Authenticity was served as New Orleans' own Professor Suzanne Falgout headed up the Fat Tuesday-inspired plate lunch fundraiser with happy patrons enjoying Cajun and Creole delicacies including chicken gumbo, jambalaya, red beans and rice, barbeque shrimp and Texas cornbread.

### Health & Wellness Fair

Students from the UH West O'ahu Justice, Public and Health Administration (JAH) Club hosted a Health and Wellness Fair on Feb. 25 featuring yoga demonstrations, free massages and other wellness activities for students, faculty and staff.



Kalani Bell

## 2009 West O'ahu Day Events Celebrate Student Life and Charitable Giving



From left: Irene Aiko Nakasone and Malia Love chat with Chancellor Gene Awakuni.

This year's annual West O'ahu Day event was a celebration of University spirit as the Associated Students of UH West O'ahu hosted a festive day filled with lucky number prize-giveaways, a talent show and open-mic karaoke sing-off, student club fundraising and informational activities, and charitable giving programs in support of the Hawaii Foodbank and the lending

library of Ka'ala Elementary School. UH West O'ahu staff members and students also had their hair cut on-site courtesy of Paul Brown Waikele stylists in support of Locks of Love, a non-profit organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children suffering from

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## FACULTY/DEPARTMENTAL ACCOLADES

## UH West O'ahu Assistant Professor Leads the Pack



Out of a massive field of more than 15,000 runners in this year's Hawaiian Telcom Great Aloha Run held on Presidents' Day, UH West O'ahu Chemistry Assistant Professor Joseph Bariyanga crossed the finish line with a time of 47 minutes and 23 seconds, placing first in his age category and 29th overall. This amazing feat is even faster than

his 36th place finish last year. He continues to train four days a week for two hours a day. Congratulations, Professor Bariyanga!

## UH West O'ahu Director and Assistant Professor Shed New Light on Teaching and Tutoring at Bay Area Conference



UH West O'ahu Writing and Learning Center Director Emily Nye and Assistant

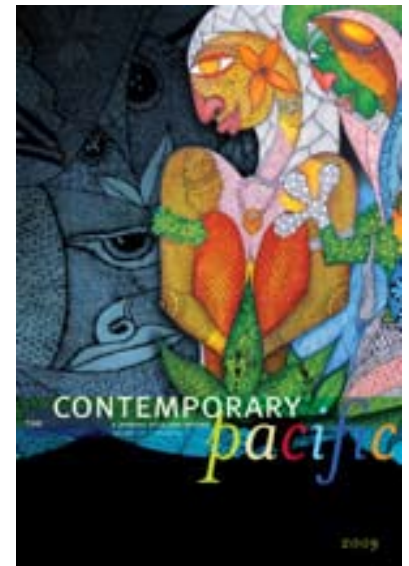
Professor of Education Jonathan Schwartz presented a poster session at the International Writing Center Association's annual meeting in San Francisco on March 11. They discussed findings from their article, "Changing the Rules of Engagement Through Online Tutoring: The Impact on Students' Writing Skills," assessing how students in a pilot study responded to online tutoring. Rather than following the usual tutoring protocol of waiting for students to ask for help, the tutors offered writing advice to all students. The post-class assessment raised interesting questions about the teaching and tutoring relationship and how to teach education students about writing instruction.

## UH West O'ahu Assistant Professor's Article Published in Leading Journal

UH West O'ahu Assistant Professor of Hawaiian and Pacific Studies Sa'iliemanu Lilomaiva-Doktor recently published the article, "Beyond 'Migration': Samoan Population Movement (Malaga) and the Geography of Social Space (Va)," in the Spring 2009 Vol. 21 Number 1: 1-32 of *The Contemporary Pacific: A Journal of Island Affairs*, the world's leading journal for Pacific studies published by University of Hawai'i Press.

The article delves into the topic of migration and development research in the Pacific Islands regions of Polynesia, Micronesia and Melanesia, also known as Oceania. Lilomaiva-Doktor discusses alternative epistemologies and ways of thinking with a focus on integrating indigeneity

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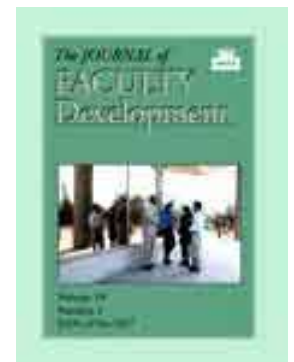


## UH West O'ahu Lecturer's Recently Published Articles in Leading Business and Education Journals Examine Service-Learning

UH West O'ahu lecturer and alumnus Wayne Tanna recently published two articles: "Pro Bono: The Next Generation" in *The Journal of the International Society of Business Disciplines*, Volume IV Issue II, December 2008 and "Service Learning and the Freshman Seminar: Diversity and Cultural Awareness" in the Spring 2009 edition of *Network: A Journal of Faculty Development*.

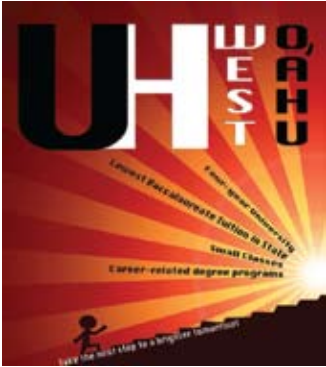
"Pro Bono: The Next Generation," looks at the responsibilities that professionals have to the community and how service-learning motivates college students to develop a greater sense of civic responsibility and a life-long commitment to pro bono community service.

In "Service Learning and the Freshman Seminar: Diversity and Cultural Awareness" Tanna discusses the use of service-learning as a hands on way to help college students better understand cultural and ethnic difference in their new college and community environments. He analyzes the intentional development and establishment of a "pathway" or series of courses students take from freshman year through graduate school that incorporate service-learning.



## CAMPUS EVENTS

### Kapolei High School Student Wins UH West O'ahu Flyer Contest



Kapolei High School senior Michael Pangilinan took home the grand-prize in the UH West O'ahu Flyer Contest. During a school assembly, Pangilinan smiled as it was announced that his design would be featured in April and May issues of MidWeek and the Honolulu Star-Bulletin. Pangilinan's flyer was chosen from a field of talented entries by fellow high school finalists:

- Ahndiana Flores, James Campbell High School
- Leah Hashimoto, King Kekaulike High School
- AnnaRae Kahala, Kahuku High and Intermediate School
- Daryl Sanbei, Leilehua High School
- Christina Yarbrough, Waipahu High School

More than 250 high school students from around the state of Hawai'i entered UH West O'ahu's Flyer Contest for a chance to win an iPod Touch and an opportunity to get their work published in MidWeek and the Honolulu Star-Bulletin. Participants were asked to create a flyer that promotes UH West O'ahu as a top choice for college-bound students. The general public was invited to vote online for the grand-prize winning design. All designs are featured on the UH West O'ahu website at [www.uhwo.hawaii.edu/flyercontest](http://www.uhwo.hawaii.edu/flyercontest).

### How to Apply for Financial Aid and Scholarships



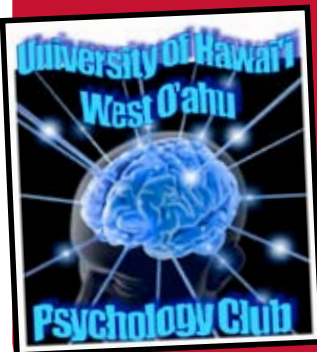
Need financial aid for next year? Log-on to <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov> to apply. The 2009-2010 Federal Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is available online. Hard copies are available at the Student Services Office. Call 454-4700 or email [finaid@uhwo.hawaii.edu](mailto:finaid@uhwo.hawaii.edu) for more information.

To view the latest scholarship information online, visit <http://www.uhwo.hawaii.edu/scholarship>

### Accounting Club Offers Members Career-Related Opportunities

Join the Accounting Club for access to a variety of activities designed to develop the essential communication and leadership skills of successful business professionals. Club activities include office tours of local companies, community service projects and team-building and networking opportunities. For more information, visit <http://homepages.uhwo.hawaii.edu/~acctclub>

### Psychology Club T-shirt Contest Winner Revealed



The Psychology Club would like to recognize and congratulate, Charlotte Naone for submitting the winning entry for our T-shirt design contest. Charlotte is a senior and will graduate this spring with a degree in psychology and certificate in substance abuse and addiction studies. Charlotte will also be inducted into the Psi Chi National Honor Society in Psychology in April. Congratulations Charlotte and thank you to all who participated!

**IN THE CLUB**



From left: 1. Carlo Soogrim, Tyrell Ma'ae, Brande Yoga, Brandin Soquena and Alyssa Gampong. 2. Chablis Kekua entertains the crowd. 3. Sofia Zarsadias and David Sykes participate in the makahiki games. 4. Paul Brown Stylist Dan Pettingill smiles as Julia Dela Sierra shows off her donation to Locks of Love.



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long-term medical hair loss. Emceed by 93.9 FM DeeJay Krey-Z Oshiro, the fun also included makahiki games, a free resume review by tutors at the UH West O'ahu Writing and Learning Center, food and

live musical entertainment by Hawaiian Connection. Freshman Kawika Fuga walked away with an iPod Nano lucky number prize while UH West O'ahu Student Services Specialist Mele Hopili won an iPod Nano and iPod Touch. Junior Carlo Soogrim took home the Nintendo Wii grand prize.

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and its concepts into migration research. She contends that the unique environment and indigenous cultures of the Pacific and Hawaiian Islands merit serious consideration in the production of knowledge, and that these Island contexts and ways of knowing add vitality to the intellectual impasse in migration research and thus must be part of the discourse on culture, migration, and development for these research agenda to move forward.

Dr. Sa'iliemanu Lilomaiaava-Doktor holds a PhD in Human and Cultural Geography from the University of Hawai'i at Manoa. Her research interests include migration, development, diaspora, and transnationalism with a focus in Oceania. Dr. Lilomaiaava-Doktor's research explores the dialectic relationship between culture and modernity, and specifically the interactive relationships between Samoan indigenous concepts and epistemologies and globalization.



From left: Nancy Do and Bryan Acidera

**WEST O'AHU**  
*Happenings*

**UHWO's Spring Commencement May 17; Begins at 4 p.m. at Hawai'i Theatre**

UH West O'ahu's Spring 2009 Commencement Ceremony takes place at Hawai'i Theatre May 17 at 4 p.m. Doors open at 3:30 p.m. and close at 4 p.m. Graduates are expected to greet friends and family members at Sun Yat Sen Park makai of the theater at approximately 5:15 p.m. No strollers, tripods or balloons are allowed inside the theater. Parking is available in nearby municipal lots at a rate of three to five dollars for the entire day.