

# Hawaiian Pacific Studies Certificate

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The certificate program in Hawaiian-Pacific Studies offers education opportunities for UHWO students majoring in fields other than Hawaiian-Pacific Studies. This provides students with basic, introductory information on Native Hawaiian and/or Pacific Islander cultures that could enhance their careers in Hawai'i and the wider Pacific. Students will learn specific aspects of Native Hawaiian and/or Pacific Island peoples, such as history, geography, politics, arts, music, literature, contemporary issues and cultural practices to deepen cultural understanding, enrich and enhance educational experiences. Moreover, students will learn of indigenous approaches and world views that enhance student cultural competencies and abilities to add alternative views to problem solving in their chosen fields. The Certificate will be relevant in the hospitality, business, law, health administration, creative media, applied sciences, and education disciplines, and for Immersion teachers in the DOE. For example, for a student majoring in business or hospitality and who plans to work in Hawai'i or the wider Pacific, taking this certificate would provide them with Native Hawaiian and Pacific cultural understandings and perspectives that would enhance their career.

## Hawaiian and Pacific Overview Requirement: 3 credits

Credits	Course Alpha / Number / Title
3	HPST 304 Hawaiian-Pacific Traditions <b>OR</b> HPST 365 Geography of the Pacific

## Pacific Islands Language Requirement: 3-4 credits

### Select one Pacific Island Language Course

HAW 101 Elementary Hawaiian I  
 HAW 102 Elementary Hawaiian II  
 HAW 201 Intermediate Hawaiian I  
 HAW 202 Intermediate Hawaiian II  
 HAW 301 Third Level Hawaiian I  
 HAW 302 Third Level Hawaiian II  
 HAW 401 Fourth Level Hawaiian I  
 HAW 402 Fourth Level Hawaiian II  
 HAW 321 Kama'ilio Hawaii  
 SAM 101 Elementary Samoan I  
 SAM 102 Elementary Samoan II  
 SAM 201 Intermediate Samoan I  
 SAM 202 Intermediate Samoan II

Credits	Course Alpha / Number / Title
3-4	

## Hawaiian Pacific Studies Requirement: 9 credits

**Students must complete 9 credits, with one class from three different clusters: Arts, Contemporary Culture and Issues, History and Literature**

### Arts

HPST 461 Traditional Art of Hawai'i  
 HPST 462 Traditional Art of the Pacific  
 HPST 463 The Hawaiian Art of Kapa-Making

### Contemporary Culture and Issues

HPST 327 Mālama 'Āina: Land-Based Literacies  
 HPST 328 Culture and Environment  
 HPST 383 Aloha'Ainā: Concepts, Discourse, Movements  
 HPST 430 Contemporary Pacific: Globalization & Change  
 HPST 440 Kānāwai Hawai'i: Native Hawaiian Law  
 HPST 450 Pacific Islanders Diaspora Experiences  
 HPST 489 Political Conflicts in the Pacific

**History**

- HPST 380 Field Archaeology
- HPST 437 Pacific Archaeology
- HPST 471 Polynesian Before European Contact
- HPST 482 Pacific History – post-European contact history of Pacific
- HPST 483 Archaeology of Hawaii – pre-European history of Hawai'i

**Literature**

- HPST 477 Polynesian & Micronesian Mythology
- HPST 478 Hawaiian Mythology II
- HPST 479 Hawaiian Mythology I
- HPST 330 Samoan Oral Traditions

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**NOTES:**

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The certificate in Hawaiian-Pacific Studies is also available via distance delivery.

*\*All students (including native speakers of a language) with experience in a language other than English may earn “back credits.” These students may take any UH West O’ahu language course, appropriate to their level, in which there is significant use of that language. “Appropriate level” of a language will be determined by placement exam, division policy and/or the concentration’s chair or advisor. “Significant use” of a language will be determined by the course content. Upon completion of this course, if students earn a letter grade of C (not C-) or better, they may receive between 3-16 back credits. For additional information, please contact Dr. Jayson Chun (email: jmchun@hawaii.edu).*