UHWO Teacher Preparation Program
Established Fall 2007

Mission: The University of Hawai‘i West O‘ahu Teacher Preparation Program is dedicated to its vision of providing innovative teacher preparation programs and public service activities in support of the continuing development of West O‘ahu communities. To realize this vision, the mission of the program is to provide teacher candidates with the knowledge, skills, and dispositions necessary to become outstanding educators, especially in the elementary, middle, and secondary schools located in Central and Leeward O‘ahu communities.

Fall 2021 data: 181 Education Majors

- Elementary Education (K-6) (107 candidates)
- Middle-Level (6-8) (6 candidates) & Secondary Education (6-12) (68 candidates)

  *English (18), Math (15), Biology (4), General Science (2), Social Studies (32), Unknown (3)

Gender

- Male: 23%; Female: 76%; Undisclosed: 1%

Residence

- Ewa Beach: 23%
- Waipahu: 17%
- Kapolei: 12%
- Waianae: 11%
- Honolulu: 10%
- Other teacher candidates reside in Aiea, Haleiwa, Kailua, Kaneohe, Kapaa (Kaua‘i), Mililani, Pearl City, Wahiawa, and Waialua

Candidates entered UHWO as a...

- Freshman: 41%
- Transfer: 59%
  - Earned Associate of Arts or Science in Teaching (AAT or AST) from LCC: 42 candidates
  - Earned Associate of Arts (AA) from UH system community college: 58 candidates
  - Earned Bachelor’s degree from UH system institution: 2 candidates

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Number of field placements for Fall 2021: 102

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Alumni Accolades

Grow Our Own Program

- 49% of alumni teach at a school that they attended or at a school in their community.
- 88% of alumni teach on Leeward (67.5%) and Central O‘ahu (22.3%)

UHWO is an ‘Ohana

- 5 sets of siblings: current candidates & alums’ younger siblings
- 1 mother/daughter alumnæ
- 1 husband/wife alumni
- Over 20 candidates & alum followed parents into teaching, including one candidate whose wife and oldest son are also teachers.

Education as a Career

- 82% of our alumni have stayed in education vs national & local statistic that 1 in 2 teachers leave the profession within 5 years.

Awards & Promotions

- 2 Milken Teacher of Promise awardees (2020, 2021)
- 1 alum Kindergarten Teacher now a Vice-Principal (2019)
- 1 National Board Certified Teacher (2021)
- 1 National Council of Teachers of English Early Career Educator of Color Award (2021)
- 1 Curriculum Associates Extraordinary Educators Class of 2021

Graduates: Fall 2009 – Spring 2021: 274 Elementary and 47 Middle-Level/Secondary Education

- 228 confirmed teaching in Hawai‘i DOE schools (select schools listed):
  
  August Ahrens Elementary School (15)  
  Aiea Elementary School (3)  
  Barbers Point Elementary School (2)  
  James Campbell High School (7)  
  Ewa Elementary School (2)  
  Ewa Beach Elementary School (6)  
  Ewa Makai Middle School
  
  Governor Wallace Rider Farrington High School  
  Haleiwa Elementary School (2)  
  Hau‘ula Elementary School (2)  
  Highlands Intermediate School  
  Holomua Elementary School  
  Honowai Elementary School (5)  
  Honouliuli Middle School (2)

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