Kiakahi
Pathways to College Success
Ke Ala Kiakahi - Pathways to College Success is a program for students interested in exploring college and career opportunities at the University of Hawai‘i–West O’ahu. The program aims to increase college and career readiness for high school seniors from the Wai‘anae coast.

The program offers a distinct opportunity for students at 3 different educational phases:

- **Phase I:** College Success: Support Services (Fall 2020 & Spring 2021)
- **Phase II:** College Success: Summer Program (Summer 2021)
- **Phase III:** College Success: Students’ Sense of Belonging (Fall 2021)

In addition, the Ke Ala Kiakahi team will assist you with completing the following:

- Submit an [Admissions Application](https://bit.ly/uhwoapplication) for UH West O‘ahu
- Submit a [FAFSA application](https://bit.ly/kiakahiapp2020-2021) for students Financial Aid

**Eligibility & Application Process**

- Current high school seniors who will be incoming first-time college freshmen Resides on the Wai‘anae coast
- Attend the University of Hawai‘i–West O‘ahu Fall 2021 Semester
College Success

**Phase I: Support Services**
November 2020 - May 2021

High school seniors will be exposed to higher education opportunities, success skills and strategies. Student participants will be supported through the application and financial aid process. In addition, individual student check-in meetings will be provided throughout their senior year. All services will be provided virtually.

**Phase II: Summer Bridge Program**
June 7 - July 30, 2021 (No class Tuesdays & Thursdays)

Students will be invited to participate in a College Success Summer Program. Students who take part in the Summer Bridge Component will be eligible to receive 4 free college credits, which include:

- **SD 105B:** Career and Major Exploration, Knowing Myself, Knowing My Options, Making a Decision (3 Credits)
  Mondays & Wednesdays | 9am-12pm

- **SD 101:** Summer Bridge (1 Credit) Fridays | 9am-11:30am

The program will begin as a Hybrid Rotating Course to ensure a smooth transition for Waianae coast students entering their Freshman year at UH West O'ahu. Classes will take place with appropriate physical distancing, facial coverings, sanitization protocols, and any other guidelines set forth by UH or UH West O'ahu regarding COVID-19. We will provide reasonable accommodations for students who are unable or not comfortable with attending face-to-face sessions.

While the program is scheduled as a Hybrid Rotating course, all student participant will also be provided the following benefit at no cost while physically on-campus: lunch, bus passes, course textbooks, field trip transportation, and related fees.

*Please note that due to COVID-19, programmatic changes may take place and may be offered completely online. Mahalo for your understanding.*

**Phase III: Students’ Sense of Belonging**
August 2021 - December 2021

As students transition to the start of college, the third phase will ensure a successful first-year experience with continuous wrap-around support services. Participants will be invited to participate in:

- **SD 102:** Identity, Place & Culture (1 credit)
  This course which will strengthen their self-awareness and ground their passion in self-discovery.
Mission
Our program aims to increase indigenous scholars who are seeking an opportunity to further explore the whelms of post-secondary education. Ke Ala Kiakahi is a partnership program between the University of Hawai‘i–West O’ahu and Kamehameha Schools. The program offers a distinct opportunity for students from the coast of Wai‘anae. Ke Ala Kiakahi also focuses on increasing the college-going rate for students from the Wai‘anae Coast.

Vision
Our program is dedicated to proving all students from the Wai‘anae Coast an opportunity to be a college student here at the University of Hawai‘i–West O‘ahu. The Ke Ala Kiakahi program fosters a holistic approach to college success that is inclusive of Native Hawaiian values and principals. Ke Ala Kiakahi focuses on supporting, retaining, and graduating indigenous students in various college careers. Ke Ala Kiakahi develops students to be leaders in Hawai‘i.

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