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You may have heard it before. America's college graduates are aging, and today, the United States ranks 14th in the world for the percentage of college graduates in the 25 - 35 age bracket. Or, put another way, 13 other countries have a higher percentage of educated young workers than we do.

In Hawai'i, we're also facing an educational gap. It's estimated that by the end of this decade, more than 60 percent of Hawai'i jobs will require a college education. And yet today, a mere 41 percent of our young adults ages 25 - 35 hold college degrees. How do we ensure Hawai'i's economic viability? What can we do to ensure that our state's up-and-coming workforce is equipped with the education they require?

The answer is already taking shape. Across the islands, private citizens, small businesses and corporations are mobilizing with the University of Hawai'i to tackle the problem head-on. Concerned businesses are helping to shape 21st century curriculum. Faculty and program endowments are fueling magnet initiatives. Research donations are propelling innovations and discoveries. And scholarships are ensuring that the most promising students receive a college education regardless of their family's financial means.

By investing in the University of Hawai'i Foundation, you, our donors, are creating an extraordinary and lasting impact on Hawai'i's ability to compete today and in the future.

Mahalo,

Barry Weinman
Chair, Board of Trustees, University of Hawai'i Foundation

extraordinary



Aloha,

This year, as in the past, many of the gifts to the University of Hawai'i Foundation are extremely personal. They enrich our lives as well as the lives of those who made them. Each of the 31,565 gifts we received this past year, regardless of size, makes an extraordinary impact in its own way.

In 2011, we were touched to receive gifts from and in honor of faculty who "grew up" with the University. These teachers are so passionate about their field of study they continue to inspire even though they are no longer in the classroom.

Gifts from private foundations are making an impact both locally and globally. Whether it's protecting endangered plants or uniting philosophers from across the globe, or supporting outstanding faculty, these gifts demonstrate a commitment by the founders or families to achieve a better world through higher education.

In response to economic challenges, forward thinking companies are forming innovative partnerships with UH campuses across the state. From scholarships at the UH Hilo College of Pharmacy to the new insurance training program at UH West O'ahu, businesses are helping local students pursue fulfilling careers here at home.

As always, there are individuals who speak quietly through their actions, anonymously making a difference where it's needed most.

These gifts, and countless others, come at a vital time for the University by providing opportunities that could not exist through public state support alone. On behalf of the more than 60,000 students who are enrolled at campuses across our state, mahalo for your support of higher education in Hawai'i.

Thank you for partnering with us,

Donna Vuchinich
President & CEO, University of Hawai'i Foundation

Aloha,

The University of Hawai'i has an extraordinary impact on our state's economy. As a leading research facility, we generated almost half a billion dollars in external funding in 2010. Additionally, our 10 college campuses statewide serve more than 60,000 students, and graduate thousands of qualified employees into Hawai'i's workforce.

To achieve and sustain excellence in education, the University relies on a vital mix of public and philanthropic support. Private funds enable us to pursue unique areas of expertise such as oceanographic and cancer research and indigenous learning. They give us the flexibility to tailor community colleges into "educational magnets" as destination campuses. Most importantly, private funds leverage public funds and maximize taxpayer dollars at a time when every penny is stretched to the limit.

The extraordinary impact of having a goal coupled with philanthropic investments can also be seen in long-term initiatives with immediate impact. For example, UH's "Fifteen to the Finish" effort encourages students to take 15 credits per semester so they can graduate in four years and enter the job market. Scholarships help students apply themselves 100% to their studies and graduate on time. By reducing barriers to graduation we are working to increase the number of students who graduate by 25% by 2015.

The University of Hawai'i is proud to be Hawai'i's university. Together we can accomplish what we cannot accomplish alone.

Mahalo,

Dr. M.R.C. Greenwood
President, University of Hawai'i System



impact



The first graduating class of 84 doctors of pharmacy (PharmD) at UH Hilo College of Pharmacy



graduation

the gift of a lifetime

How do you measure the value of a college education? Is it the price of tuition? Is it the annual salary of a first job? Or is it a lifetime of opportunities if students are given the tools to pursue their dreams?

Gifts to the UH Foundation are made by visionaries who understand that the true impact of their gifts cannot be measured in mere dollars or student counts, but rather, in the lives that they touch today, and in the generations that follow.

The Isamu Shinshiro Scholarship for Sustainable Technology Education and Training Fund comes at a vital time in Hawai'i's energy reevaluation, and will enable community college students to take an active role in our state's sustainable future.

For more than ten years, the Margaret S. and John T. Ushijima Ohana Scholarship at the UH Mānoa William S. Richardson School of Law has provided financial support to Big Island law students who aspire to return home and serve their communities.

As always, it is a tremendous honor to receive endowments from former professors. The gifts from Donald and Laura Goo, Vincent Linares and from the Friends of the Architecture School alumni in honor of Leighton Liu reflect a dedication that extends far beyond the limits of the classroom.

From the gift of graduation today to a stronger society tomorrow, the generosity of these visionary benefactors is truly priceless.



Sustainability Education at the UH Community Colleges received a major boost thanks to **ISAMU SHINSHIRO'S** \$1.6 million estate gift. Through his estate he created an endowment that established the Isamu Shinshiro Scholarship for Sustainable Technology Education and Training Fund. Income from the endowment will provide University of Hawai'i community college students financial assistance to complete two-year degrees or certificates in a broad range of sustainable technology programs throughout the community college campuses.

isamu shinshiro

“Student interest is very high in wanting to be a part of the solution to Hawai'i's sustainable future. These students will now benefit from Mr. Shinshiro's foresight and generosity and we will all benefit from having a skilled workforce focused on sustainability.”

– John Morton, Vice President for Community Colleges

nakasone family

THE NAKASONE FAMILY celebrated Tsuruko Nakasone's 100th birthday by creating the Matsuro and Tsuruko Nakasone Endowment Fund at the Center for Okinawan Studies at UH Mānoa. This fund also honors the memory of their late father Matsuro Nakasone, and will provide students with the opportunity to travel outside of Hawai'i to study or undertake research in Okinawa-related subjects.

This is the first Okinawan Studies endowment fund established by a family and the second endowed fund since the Center was established in 2008.



elmer & sharon botsai

Two former leaders of the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa School of Architecture and their wives have each made gifts to encourage and nurture excellence at the School. **ELMER BOTSAI, FIRST DEAN OF THE SCHOOL, AND WIFE SHERI** made a gift to establish the Elmer Botsai Professional Practice and Research Award. The couple created this fund to give tenured or tenured track faculty the opportunity to gain valuable experience within architectural firms beyond Hawai'i that they could bring back into the classroom. The Fellows of American Institute



of Architects (AIA), Hawai'i, were inspired by the Botsais' gift and are committed to matching this gift.



Former professor and director of the Architectural Practicum program in the School, **DONALD GOO AND HIS WIFE LAURA** have established the endowed UH Mānoa School of Architecture Practicum Fund and a related expendable fund with their \$150,000 gift. Their generosity supports the Architectural Practicum program and provides financial assistance to students who are attending Practicum Studios.

In commemoration of their 40th anniversary PBR Hawai'i & Associates Inc. pledged \$40,000 to create the PBR Hawai'i Scholarship Endowment Fund. The scholarship will support a student with a focus or concentration in landscape architecture, environmental design or urban design. This is the first landscape architecture firm to establish an endowment at the School of Architecture.

the bernard osher foundation

Returning adult students at UH Hilo now have a permanent source of scholarship support thanks to a \$1 million award from **THE BERNARD OSHER FOUNDATION**. Beginning with the 2012-2013 academic year, the Osher Reentry Scholarship Endowment will provide a minimum of 25 scholarships per year to older students whose education has been interrupted for five or more years. The Osher Foundation has supported scholarships for reentry students at UH Hilo since 2007. This latest gift builds on earlier support totaling \$600,000 for UH Hilo students and programs.

Students resuming their academic careers after a long absence face a number of challenges that most traditional students do not, such as managing simultaneously the responsibilities of being a student, parent, spouse, and employee. Having been out of school and in the workforce or at home raising children for many years, reentry students must reacquaint themselves with efficient and effective ways of learning and studying.

“Access to higher education, outreach and support for non-traditional and underserved populations are part of UH Hilo’s mission. This major award from The Osher Foundation means we can better support older, returning students who might otherwise not be able to pursue a college degree.”

– Donald Straney, Chancellor, UH Hilo

**The Bernard Osher Foundation has been a steady supporter of UH. This new gift is the 3rd \$1M endowment we have received from The Osher Foundation for this program. UH Mānoa and UHWO received endowment gifts for their programs in prior years.*



“Education has opened doors for me and provided the skills and knowledge needed in today’s economy.”

– Shirley Dellinger

Osher Reentry Scholarships are already changing lives — like that of Shirley Dellinger (left)

“After graduating from high school, I decided to seek employment. College was not an option at that time due to financial hardships,” said Shirley Dellinger. “It wasn’t until later, after marrying and having children that I was advised by a guidance counselor to enroll in college.” After attending Leeward Community College, Shirley transferred to UH Hilo to pursue her dream of obtaining a BBA. Here she made good progress, but was forced to stop her studies when her marriage of 17 years ended in divorce.

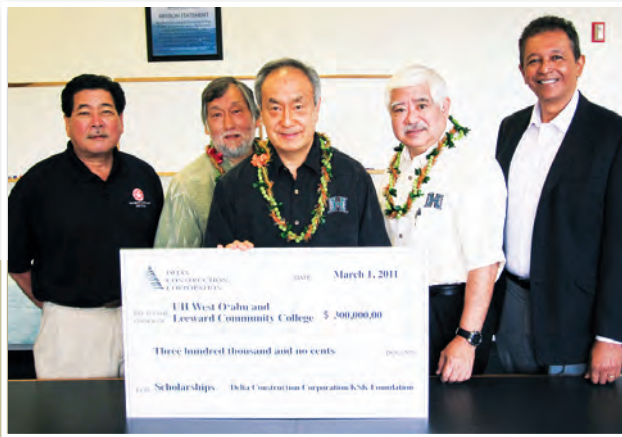
In 2000 Shirley joined Hospice of Hilo as its bookkeeper. The local nonprofit saw her potential and encouraged her to return to school. “With a strong faith in God, my new husband’s support, six children in tow, and rekindled determination, I returned to UH Hilo in 2007 on a part-time basis, later increasing my schedule to full-time, while also working 40 hours a week to support my family.” She continued, “When I was notified that I had been awarded an Osher Reentry Scholarship, tears of joy filled my eyes. Knowing that there was someone who believed in me enough to support my education was a very humbling

experience. I was determined to cross the finish line.”

In May 2011 Shirley graduated with honors and a BBA, the first in her family to attain a college education. Since then, she has been promoted to controller and now manages the accounting and HR departments at Hospice of Hilo.

“Education has opened doors for me and provided the skills and knowledge needed in today’s economy.” Shirley’s journey is by no means over. “I plan to enroll in the HR Master’s program at UH Mānoa through the Shidler College of Business neighbor island program in the fall of 2012.”

delta construction & ksk foundation



DELTA CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION AND KSK FOUNDATION

of Kapolei pledged \$300,000 to establish two endowments and corresponding expendable funds for scholarships at UH West O'ahu and Leeward Community College.

These funds will help students change their lives through higher education, positively impact their families and communities, and raise hope and pride in West O'ahu.

“Since 1981, between five and 10 percent of UH Mānoa College of Engineering graduates started their coursework at Leeward CC. The Delta Construction Corporation’s scholarship will help us increase the number of transfers and ultimately provide Hawai’i with a stronger, more skilled workforce.”

– Manny Cabral, Chancellor, Leeward Community College

These funds are being established in honor of the company’s founder, Gilbert D. Kobatake, a 1934 graduate of the UH Mānoa College of Engineering. Kobatake was a retired structural engineer and surveyor, owner of Gilbert Kobatake Inc., and a member of the famed 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

vincent linaires

VINCENT “VINNIE” LINARES may have retired after 32 years teaching at UH Maui College — but his legacy as a long-standing advocate for higher education will live on.

Assisted by the UH Foundation’s Office of Estate and Gift Planning, Vinnie willed a portion of the value of his home to the college, setting up an endowment

named the Vincent Ryan Linares Staff Development Trust. This fund will support continuing education for faculty and professional staff.

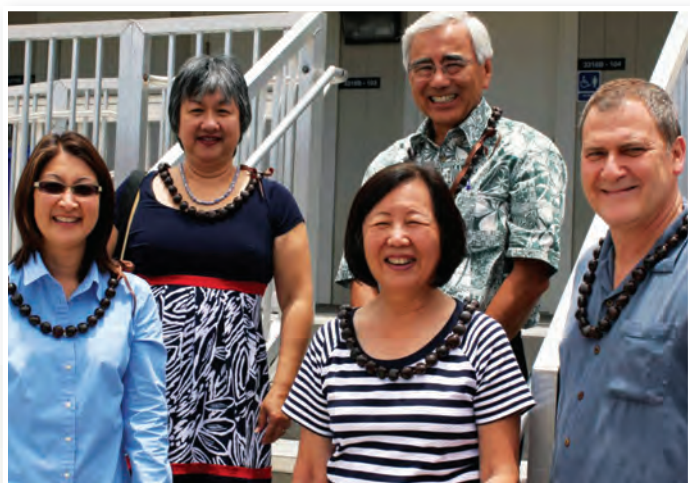
Vinnie taught English, Linguistics and Literature courses at UH Maui College after graduating with his masters in applied linguistics from the University of Hawai’i at Mānoa. A two-time Fulbright Scholar, he



has traveled extensively for the past 35 years throughout most of Asia, Europe, the Pacific Basin, North America, and Northern Africa. Professor Linares has also lived, worked, and studied in Japan, Sri Lanka, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand, Mexico, and Micronesia.

Professor Linares realized that this wide range of personal and professional experiences significantly contributed to his world view and to his instructional acumen. Through his gift, he hopes others will also grow, personally and professionally.

hawaii independent pharmacies



THE HAWAII INDEPENDENT PHARMACIES, INC. created the Hawai'i Independent Pharmacies, Inc. Endowed Excellence Scholarship at the UH Hilo College of Pharmacy. Their gift of \$72,500 was matched by the Student Access and Success Fund bringing the fund total to \$145,000. This fund will provide scholarships to full-time, professional pharmacy students at the College of Pharmacy.



The first graduating class of 84 doctors of pharmacy (PharmD) at UH Hilo College of Pharmacy.



Established in 2000, the **MARGARET S. & JOHN T. USHIJIMA OHANA SCHOLARSHIP** at the UH Mānoa William S. Richardson School of Law has helped 11 full-time law students so far receive financial support so they can stay in Hawai'i and serve our community. The scholarship was established by Margaret and her late husband John.

Margaret S. Ushijima is a 1983 graduate of the Law School who pursued a law degree after successful careers as a social worker, educator and dean of Student Services at UH Hilo. The fund is also named after her husband and law partner, John T. Ushijima, a member of the 442nd U.S. Army Regimental Combat Team during WWII, who served in the State Senate from 1959 to 1982 and on the UH Board of Regents from 1987 to 1995, and recognizes other Ushijima family members in the law profession.

Sherilyn Tavares (pictured left), who recently passed her bar exam, is a shining example of everything the Ushijima's meant for their Ohana Scholarship to achieve.

I was born and raised in Hilo, on the Big Island. My parents were high school sweethearts and I was born just before their senior year of high school. My parents

margaret & john

immediately went to work after they graduated from high school to care for their young family and never had the opportunity or the means to attend college.

My mom taught us to work hard and never forget where you lay your head down at night. Life wasn't easy, but to us, it was fun. We had each other, and that is what our parents taught us mattered. We paid for my first hula lesson with the money we made recycling cans that we picked up on the side of the road. I guess we were ahead of the times back then! We were green! I grew up collecting eggs from the barn, harvesting bananas, eggplant, beans, and lettuce from the garden, and milking the cows.

My parents always encouraged my siblings and me to do our best in school, but the idea of attending college was not considered practical or accessible for much of my family. I come from a working class family. My family has spent generations working on the land – from Kaua'i to Hawai'i Island, from the sugar plantations to the construction of the roads and highways, to serving tourists.



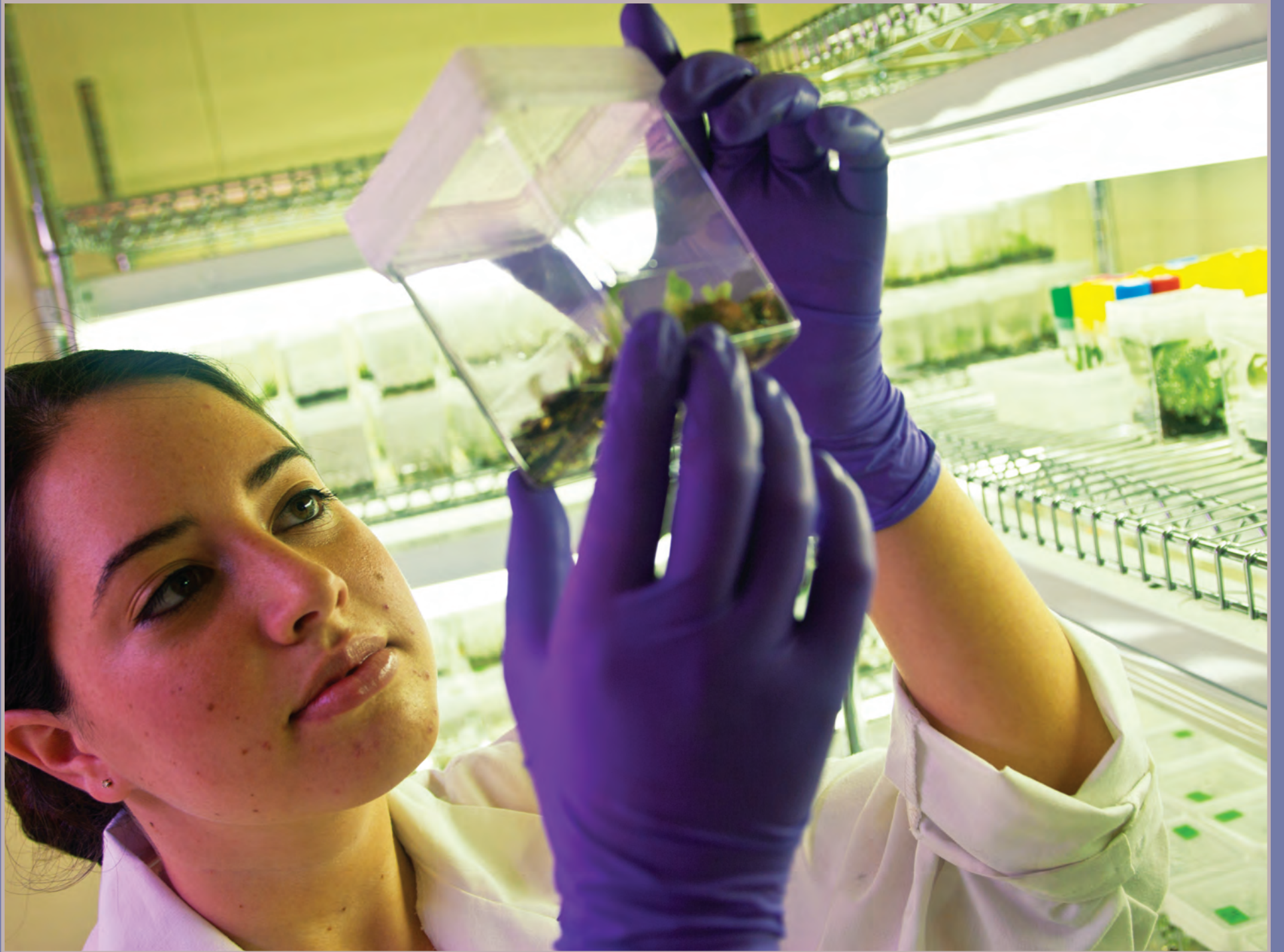
When you don't have parents who graduated from college, let alone attended college themselves, you are not really able to relate to the college experience and you don't talk about it. But when I said I wanted to go to college, I was encouraged to do so.

Today, I am the first in my family to graduate from graduate school, with an education I can use to make a difference in the community that I love. As a Hawaiian, I believe that I have a responsibility to educate myself so that I can teach and inspire the younger generations to do the same.

I have a huge kuleana, but one I take with full humility and pride. I am now Aunt Sheri who graduated from law school. I am the one who will inspire the keiki to go to college.

When my grandparents attended my graduation ceremony, I was overcome with pride because I knew how much it meant to them to see me accomplish my dreams. I did it for them; I did it because of them. To show them that we too can have a lawyer in our family and that education is not this thing we can dream about. It is real. And it is achievable.

ushijima ohana scholarship



fueling renovation,

innovation and programs
that enrich our lives



In today's world of blogs, posts and unlimited commentary, there remain those who are not content to simply discuss problems. These are the doers, the solvers, action-oriented people who identify opportunities and are willing to take a personal stake in getting things done.

Donations to the University of Hawai'i Foundation are evidence that this can-do attitude is alive and well in Hawai'i. Throughout our campuses, faculty and students are making great strides in education through the generous gifts of our benefactors. This year is no exception, with outstanding donations that will impact students and communities for generations.

In the Harold L. Lyon Arboretum's Micropropagation Lab, a capital improvement donation by the Hau'oli Mau Loa Foundation will expand the lab and strengthen the lifeline for Hawai'i's endangered native plants.

Music adds color to life. It moves hearts, heals wounds, raises spirits in ways that nothing else can. The Melohn Music Endowment will fund classical musical performances and inspire future musicians.

Philanthropic commitments such as these are transforming the University's 10 campuses with an infectious spirit of accomplishment, and are achieved by donors who see the challenges before us and are willing to embrace them.



Libby Dingeldein, a volunteer at the Lyon Arboretum micropropagation lab, cleaning rare Hawaiian plant cultures.

The **HAU'OLI MAU LOA FOUNDATION'S** pledge of \$600,000 towards a new Micropropagation Lab will enable the Harold L. Lyon Arboretum to enhance the critical rescue and recovery work the Arboretum undertakes to protect and save the rarest of Hawai'i's native plants.

The Arboretum's Micropropagation Lab, the only one of its kind in Hawai'i, is vital in preventing the extinction of native Hawaiian plant species by maintaining plant and seed bank collections, and propagating plants for use in restoration and reintroduction projects. Currently this lab houses more than 16,000 individual plants and 160 native plant species. While this is a significant contribution to the preservation of the rarest of native Hawaiian plant species, it is still less than 50% of the species requiring protection. The new laboratory facilities will nearly double the size of the lab and provide an efficient working environment more conducive to the Arboretum's critical rescue and recovery research being conducted.

hau'oli mau loa
foundation

island, atlas, dongbu & farmer's insurance

“We are very excited about our growing partnership with Hawai‘i’s insurance and risk management industry. Despite placement rates close to 100 percent, the annual yield of graduates from the nation’s risk management and insurance programs meet only 10 to 15 percent of industry needs.

UHWO is committed to providing an education that will help our students find meaningful work within high-demand industries.”

– Gene Awakuni, Chancellor, UH West O‘ahu

ISLAND INSURANCE, ATLAS INSURANCE, DONGBU INSURANCE AND FARMERS INSURANCE have invested in the future of their industry by supporting UH West O‘ahu’s Certificate in Insurance and Risk Management Program. Their gifts will support the operations and staff of this new program designed to meet the national growing need for skilled insurance professionals.

The Certificate in Insurance and Risk Management provides training in risk management, personal and commercial insurance and prepares students for the licensure examination.

Together through private-public partnerships, we are developing the solid foundation needed to cultivate a skilled and talented workforce.

j.m. long foundation

“Medication errors related to nursing practice include giving the wrong dose or wrong drug, overlooked allergies, and incorrect administration site. Because safe administration requires clinical reasoning and decision-making, simulation-based learning provides the opportunity to provide education in a safe setting where patient risks are eliminated.”

– Mary Boland, Dean, School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene

At least 1.5 million preventable medication errors occur in the U.S. each year. On average, a hospitalized patient experiences more than one medication error a day.

The **J.M. LONG FOUNDATION'S** gift to the UH Mānoa School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene to support the **SAFE MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION INITIATIVE** helps ensure that all graduating nurses are highly skilled and prepared to provide safe medication administration across health care delivery settings. Their gift supports the purchase of state-of-the-art Simulated Medication System packages. These computerized medication dispensing units prepare students for real life situations by letting them learn in safe, simulated environments.



safe medication administration initiative



In honor of Ellen L. Melohn and her lifelong passion for classical music, her family established the **MELOHN MUSIC ENDOWMENT** at the UH Mānoa Department of Music.

This fund will support classical music performances, inspire future classical musicians, and nurture and grow the community's appreciation of classical music performances for years to come.

“Our family is proud to support the Music Department at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, in honor of my mother, Ellen Melohn. With the establishment of this endowment, we hope to help train future generations of classical musicians, provide increased opportunities for them to perform in Hawai‘i, and expose a broader local audience to the joy of this timeless music.”

– Bill Melohn, Ellen’s son

melohn music endowment

Economics & Justice in an Age of Global Interdependence

May 2011 saw the convergence of great minds during the University of Hawai'i and East-West Center's Tenth **EAST-WEST PHILOSOPHERS' CONFERENCE**. This international gathering has a rich and colorful history dating back to the 1930's.

Thanks to generous support from the Dr. Hung Wo and Elizabeth Lau Ching Foundation and the Uehiro Foundation on Ethics and Education, both of which have regularly supported the Philosophy Department and the EW Philosophers' Conference for many years, and other members of our community, this year's event brought together nearly 200 leading thinkers from 30 countries to reflect on a range of timely challenging issues.

During the nine-day conference, personal and philosophical bridges were built— during meals, official program presentations and after hours.



The theme of this year's conference was: "Value and Values: Economics and Justice in an Age of Global Interdependence." Energetic dialogue ensued as philosophers from different cultures and with different perspectives reflected upon a productive and sustainable relationship between economics and ethics.

The University of Hawai'i has long been a center for an East-West dialogue carried on by the most prominent philosophers of the world. This

east-west philosophers'

dialogue began in 1939 when three visionaries—Professors Charles A. Moore, Wing-tsit Chan, and Gregg Sinclair—initiated the first East-West Philosophers' Conference in Honolulu.

The conferences have been successful in fostering dialogue among philosophical traditions, and were instrumental in the establishment of the East-West Center on the campus of the University of Hawai'i in 1960 and in the founding of *Philosophy East & West*, one of the leading journals on comparative studies, in 1950.



conference

East-West Philosophers' Conference attracts international students. *Scholarships keep them here!*

“Ever since I came to the East-West Philosophers' Conference five years ago, I knew that I wanted to pursue my PhD at UH Mānoa.

I had heard about the amazing work being done at UH Mānoa because I was studying in Mexico, where I was one of the very few people in my department working on comparative philosophy and the East and West Philosophy journal edited by Dr. Roger Ames was a source of inspiration to me.

After completing my masters degree in Mexico and doing field research in India, I was accepted into the PhD program at UH Mānoa - but could not secure financial support. To make ends meet, I worked part-time. Although I was successful, it was difficult juggling the demands of a part-time job with the PhD coursework.

*Now that I receive support from the **Mansfield-Freeman Fellowship**, I am able to devote myself full-time to my research. It has been a fully enriching experience to study with scholars and faculty who approach philosophy within a comparative scope and to be surrounded by an environment that provides so many opportunities for intercultural dialogue.”*

– Ana Laura Funes Mandelstam

** The Mansfield-Freeman Fellowship is supported by the Freeman Foundation*



Celebrating Judy Pyle's gift - "The Tuahine Serenaders" from L-R Lokelani Fegerstrom, Professor Keawe Lopes, and Ka'iulani Kanehailua

research and technology



the power of good

As innovations continue to progress faster and faster, it's beholden on academia to not just keep up, but to actively promote those developments which have an extraordinary impact on the greater good. Philanthropic donations and private partnerships are propelling the University of Hawai'i forward in fields of study such as medicine, astronomy, oceanography, energy sustainability and intellectual property law.

As a UH Foundation board trustee, Judith Pyle's commitment to the people of Hawai'i, and specifically Native Hawaiians, is further exemplified by her pledge to the UH Mānoa Hawai'inuiākea School of Hawaiian Knowledge, a gift that will both rekindle and perpetuate indigenous scholarship.

Research funded by the Seaver Institute that is taking place at the UH Mānoa Hawai'i Institute of Marine Biology is not only ground-breaking, but it is extremely topical in its evaluation of delicate coral habitats and their impact on coastal communities around the world.

Generous donations to the UH Cancer Center is promoting notable breakthroughs in the early detection and prevention of mesothelioma, one of the world's most deadly cancers.

The world is getting smaller. The Wo Family Foundation and the Bilinski Education Foundation are helping students reach across physical and language barriers to find common ground.

These philanthropic commitments, and countless others, compel us to recognize that knowledge is itself a gift, and when used wisely, can have an extraordinary impact for all humanity.

judith pyle

JUDITH PYLE, a successful business executive, University of Hawai'i Foundation board trustee and philanthropist, established an endowed dean's position at the UH Mānoa Hawai'inuiākea School of Hawaiian Knowledge with her \$2 million pledge.

"Judy, along with her husband, Wayne Pitluck, has a passion for preserving and promoting Native Hawaiian culture. They both clearly respect the great potential and high priority of this endeavor for UH Mānoa and for Hawai'i. Now she has stepped forward to ensure its success by endowing the dean's position," said UH Mānoa Chancellor Virginia Hinshaw.

The fund will be used at the dean's discretion to advance the mission of Hawai'inuiākea. Examples of how the fund may be used include retaining and recruiting qualified faculty, supporting research that is in accordance with the school's mission, and supporting the use of knowledge gained by the school to perpetuate Hawaiian culture and community.



"I am truly honored that Judy shares our vision of a healthy and vibrant Hawai'inuiākea, where indigenous scholarship, learning, teaching and community engagement inspire our faculty and students."

– Maenette Ah Nee-Benham, Dean,
Hawai'inuiākea School of Hawaiian Knowledge, UH Mānoa



Thanks to a \$1 million anonymous gift, the John A. Burns School of Medicine's (JABSOM) Center for Cardiovascular Research (CCR) will be better equipped to fulfill its research mission to better understand, prevent and treat heart disease and other cardiovascular conditions.

This gift establishes an endowed fund that will give the CCR director resources to enhance cardiovascular research at JABSOM and its hospital partners throughout Hawai'i.

By translating research into practice, patient care will be improved and research findings will ultimately help save lives.



THE MICHAEL J. MARKS FOUNDATION; THE CADES FOUNDATION; ALEXANDER & BALDWIN, INC.; SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER & FLOM; AND MR. AND MRS. DANIEL E. STOLLER have created the Michael J. Marks Distinguished Professorship in Business Law at the William S. Richardson School of Law. This professorship honors Mr. Marks, former vice president and general counsel of Alexander & Baldwin, who passed away on October 5, 2010.

Professor Danielle Conway was the inaugural recipient of this new distinguished professorship. Conway teaches in the areas of intellectual property law, licensing intellectual property, international intellectual property law, Internet law & policy, and government contract law. She is also the director of the University of Hawai'i Procurement Institute.

Conway co-authored the treatise, *Intellectual Property, Software, and Information Licensing: Law and Practice* (BNA, 2007) and the casebook, *Licensing Intellectual Property: Law and Application* (Aspen, 2008) as well as numerous law review articles. In addition to speaking throughout the United States and Europe, she has lectured in China, Japan, Ghana, Palau, Micronesia, Australia, New Zealand, and Mongolia on topics including globalization, government contract law, intellectual property law, intellectual property licensing, and the rights of indigenous peoples.

Professor Conway has delegate status at the United Nations Permanent Forum for Indigenous Issues. In addition, she serves as a Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserve assigned as Assistant Chair and Professor of Law in the Contract and Fiscal Law Department at the Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School. She is of counsel at Alston Hunt Floyd & Ing in Honolulu.

michael j. marks distinguished professorship



The Cancer Center has received significant private support this past year to fuel the development and expansion of its research expertise and programs.

Recent gifts include:

A **\$3.58 MILLION** gift will support the mesothelioma research of Dr. Michele Carbone, director of the UH Cancer Center. Carbone and colleagues, who include Drs. Haining Yang and Giovanni Gaudino, have made a series of recent scientific breakthroughs that will lead to new ways

to prevent and treat the disease. Mesothelioma is a cancer of the cells that line the chest and abdominal cavities. It results in one of the most aggressive types of tumors, and current median survival from diagnosis is just twelve months. Exposure to airborne asbestos or erionite particles increases one's risk of developing mesothelioma. "This gift will help our team remain at the forefront of thoracic oncology research," said UH Mānoa Chancellor Virginia Hinshaw.

A **\$547,500** anonymous planned gift will provide ongoing funding for early-stage projects in novel and promising areas of study. By providing resources to support pilot study

for more than a decade. Significant findings came from studies conducted in the villages of Capadoccia, a region of Turkey. Dubbed "death villages," nearly 50% of the area's residents develop and die of mesothelioma. The epidemic is caused by exposure to erionite fibers, a naturally occurring mineral found in rock formations and homes built of rock material in the region.

The team's findings led to a response from the Turkish government that included building the villagers new homes and a regional health center to conduct treatment.

exploration, the donor is creating a vital source of funding for the most promising researchers at the UH Cancer Center whose innovative ideas may lead to research breakthroughs in the prevention and treatment of cancer.

"Private funding for early-stage projects helps ensure innovative ideas are given the support they need to be tested through research. This funding is essential as too often preliminary research is not eligible for federal grant funding."

– Dr. Michele Carbone, Director, University of Hawai'i Cancer Center

“Helping those in the University community start their own enterprises reflects my personal interests: encouraging the development of entrepreneurs and, at the same time, supporting the University that gave me my own start in Hawai‘i.

I cannot imagine that I could have started a successful consultancy in Hawai‘i without my UH MBA, and the personal contacts it gave me over the years. Hawai‘i has been very generous to me and, in this small way, I hope to repay that generosity.”

– Sharon Weiner

sharon weiner endowment



Honolulu business executive **SHARON WEINER** hopes to encourage entrepreneurial activity at the University of Hawai‘i through the establishment of The Sharon Weiner Startsmart Entrepreneurship Endowment at the UH Mānoa Shidler College of Business Pacific Asian Center for Entrepreneurship (PACE).

dr. fereydoun and touri parsa

DR. FERAYDOUN AND TOURI PARSA, are building on their years of supporting the University of Hawai'i with their latest \$35,000 gift to the John A. Burns School of Medicine (JABSOM). This gift establishes the F. Don Parsa, MD and Touri Parsa Endowment for Medical Student Research Support. The endowment will provide discretionary support to the Dean to encourage medical students in gaining basic, clinical, and/or translational research experience.

The funds may be used in a variety of impactful ways including travel expenses for full-time medical students to present research papers/posters at scientific conferences; award for a full-time medical student to pursue a research elective/pilot project; special research equipment, supplies or bio-statistical assistance; and help with costs associated with publishing.



seaver institute

The **SEAVER INSTITUTE** awarded the Hawai'i Institute of Marine Biology (HIMB), School of Ocean & Earth Science and Technology at UH Mānoa \$100,000 to fund comparative reef research at multiple Pacific locations using advanced rebreather technology.

This award and the new dive technology will make it possible for researchers to study previously inaccessible sites.

To learn more about these rich coral habitats, HIMB's research professor Brian Bowen and Richard Pyle, associate zoologist, database coordinator, and diving safety officer for the Bernice P. Bishop Museum, are embarking on a three-year study using advanced rebreather technology to discover, document and characterize deep coral reefs at three locations across the Pacific Ocean. This study complements a pilot study currently underway in Hawai'i. These expeditions will allow researchers to record high-definition video, collect specimens for new species documentation and various lab-based analyses, and estimate biodiversity levels.

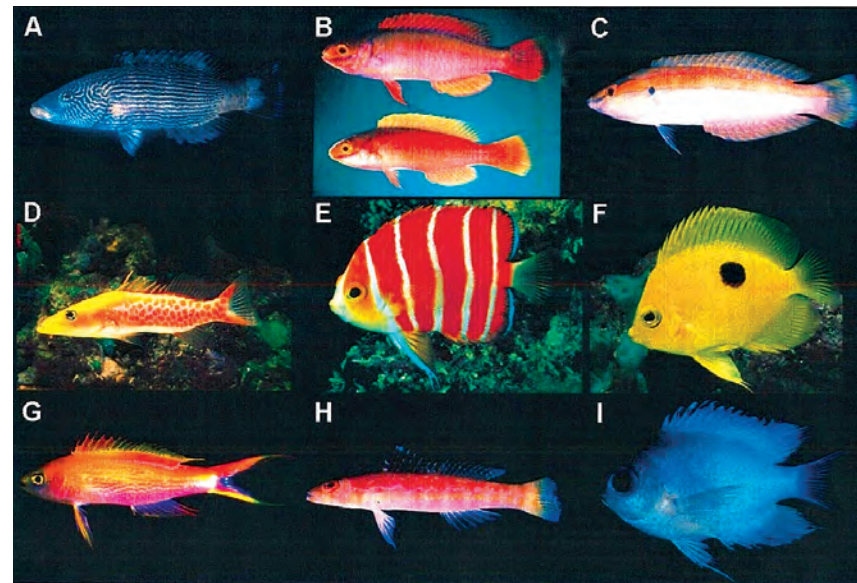


Figure 1. New fish species discovered during preliminary deep dives in the Cook Islands: A. *Oxycheilinus lineatus*; B. *Cirrhilabrus claire*; C. *Coris roseoviridis*; D. *Belonoperca pyler*; E. *Centropyge boyler*; F. *Centropyge narcosis*; G. *Pseudanthias privitera*; H. *Parapercis* n.sp. ; I. *Chromis* n.sp. (Photos: R. Pyle)

“Coral reefs are among the most diverse and severely threatened ecosystems on Earth. To date reefs have been found up to a depth of at least 165 meters (m) in the Pacific, but only the upper 30 m has been studied. These deeper reefs are largely unexplored because of the limits of scuba technology, so the biodiversity of more than 80% of the depth range of coral-reef habitat remains almost completely unknown.”

– Jo-Ann Leong, Director, HIMB

james c. & juanita wo foundation

Students and faculty at UH West O'ahu and Kapi'olani Community College are benefitting from two new programs thanks to generous gifts from the **JAMES C. AND JUANITA WO FOUNDATION.**

The UH West O'ahu Distinguished Visiting Scholars Program, established with a \$250,000 pledge, brings seasoned scholars and practitioners in the humanities, social sciences, and indigenous arts, traditions and cultures to the growing West O'ahu

campus. This program will help UH West O'ahu build and expand its curricula and programs so it can meet the demands of a fast-growing student population. The caliber of the visiting scholars will also help recruit and inspire exemplary students, and promote the University's intellectual, creative, cultural, and community resources.

The Kapi'olani Community College Innovations in Professional Development Fund, established with a \$100,000 pledge, will support the development and implementation of a professional development program at

“The Wo Family has long dreamed of a better Hawai'i for all our residents. We believe that a strong higher education system is key to creating that better future for all. With this in mind, we started partnering with the UH community colleges ten years ago.

We've seen the significant improvements our colleges have made, and the impact they've had on our communities. This has inspired the family to build on our early investments and support the growing UH West O'ahu community too.”

– James C. Wo

Kapi'olani Community College. Ultimately this program will support faculty in their collaborative efforts to introduce innovative new ways of teaching and learning.

The **BILINSKI EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION'S** grant of \$500,000 will provide extraordinary opportunities for graduate students at the UH Mānoa Department of Linguistics and Department of Second Language Studies. The Russell J. and Dorothy S. Bilinski Fellowship Fund will provide valuable support for top graduate students as they complete course work, conduct field research, and complete their doctoral dissertations.

The Department of Linguistics is highly recognized for its leadership in the fields of documentation and conservation of endangered languages (particularly those of the Pacific) and experimental study of language.

“UH Mānoa’s Department of Linguistics and Department of Second Language Studies are each recognized as leaders in their fields.

We are extremely pleased with this recognition by the Bilinski Educational Foundation and their support in developing graduate students who in turn will become leaders in their fields.”

– Gary K. Ostrander, Vice Chancellor for
Research and Graduate Education, UH Mānoa



The Department of Second Language Studies brings a diversity of expertise to bear on the field of second language studies, with a broad focus on the areas of second language acquisition, second language learning, second language use, and second language teaching.

bilinski educational foundation

financial report

[dollars spent] in 000s

	2011
DISTRIBUTIONS TO UH	
Student Aid & Services	\$9,195
Academic Support	5,935
Special Projects & Other	5,332
Athletics	3,434
Research	3,263
Faculty & Staff Support	2,060
Extension & Public Service	1,227
Capital Projects	400
TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES	\$30,846
SUPPORT SERVICES	
Management & Fiscal Services	\$3,316
Development	6,266
TOTAL SUPPORTING SERVICES	\$9,582
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$40,428

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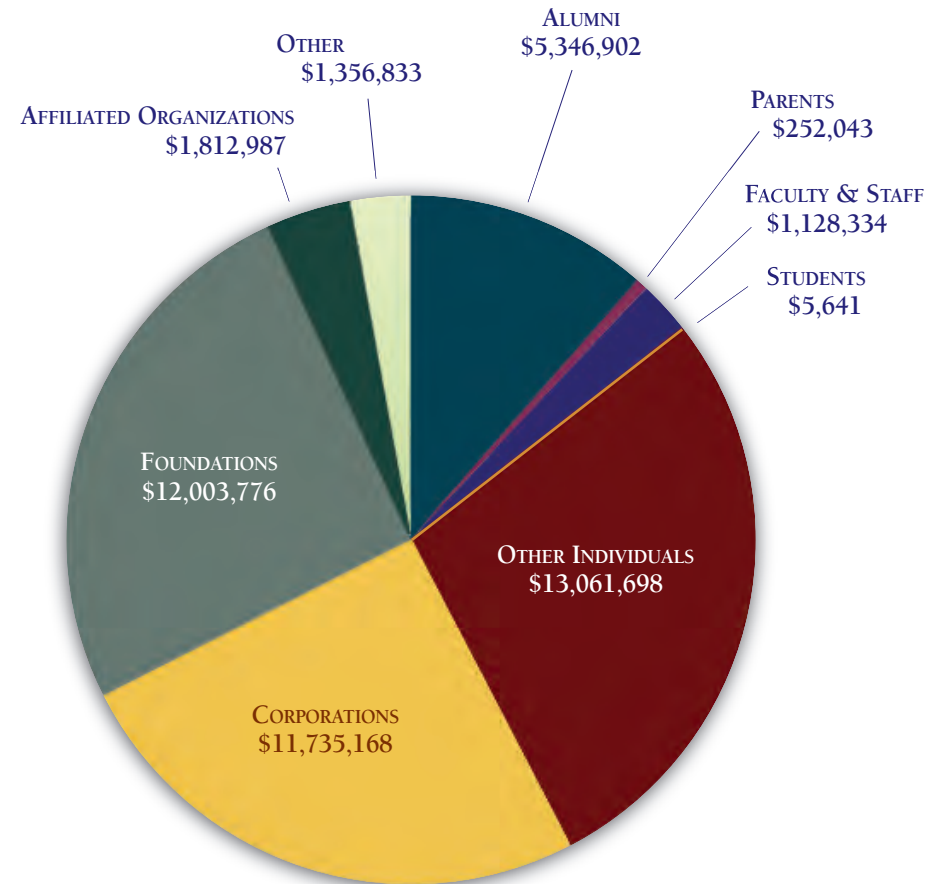
	2011
ASSETS	
Cash & Equivalents	\$7,640
Contributions Receivable	28,028
Investments	272,298
Interest in Trusts Held by Others	14,657
Property & Equipment	2,069
Other Assets	1,937
TOTAL ASSETS	\$326,629
LIABILITIES	
Liabilities of Split-Interest Agreements	\$5,400
Amounts Held for Others	2,206
Accounts Payable	1,958
Other Liabilities	409
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$9,973
NET ASSETS	
Unrestricted	(\$141)
Temporarily Restricted	135,899
Permanently Restricted	180,898
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$316,656
TOTAL LIABILITIES NET ASSETS	\$326,629

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2011

funds raised by source [face value]

SOURCE	RAISED
Alumni	\$5,346,902
Parents	252,043
Faculty & Staff	1,128,334
Students	5,641
Other Individuals	13,061,698
Corporations	11,735,168
Foundations	12,003,776
Affiliated Organizations	1,812,987
Other	1,356,833
	<u>\$46,703,382</u>

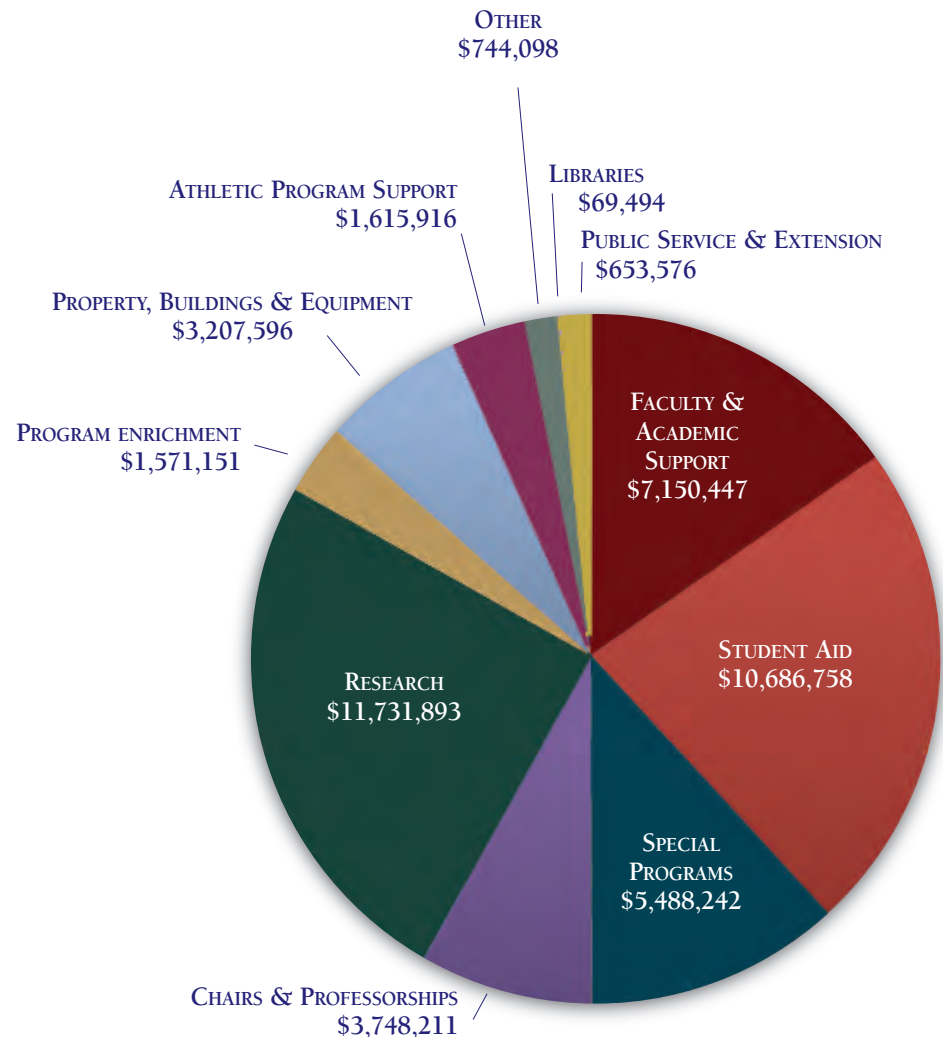


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funds raised by purpose

SOURCE	RAISED
Faculty & Academic Support	\$7,150,447
Student Aid	10,686,758
Special Programs	5,488,242
Chairs & Professorships	3,784,211
Research	11,731,893
Program Enrichment	1,571,151
Property, Buildings & Equipment	3,207,596
Athletic Program Support	1,615,916
Other	744,098
Libraries	69,494
Public Service & Extension	653,576
	<u>\$46,703,382</u>



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Each donation the UH Foundation receives, regardless of size, plays an essential role in the future of our state. From global medical advancements to the personal pride of being the first in a family to hold a degree, these gestures of hope make an extraordinary impact on Hawai'i's future.

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