

Ka Haka 'Ula O Ke'elikōlani

College of Hawaiian Language
University of Hawai'i at Hilo



SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES for 2025-2026

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Monday, March 31st, 2025

LAWRENCE SILVA ENDOWED EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP

SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- Full-time, undergraduate or graduate student of UH-Hilo's Ka Haka 'Ula O Ke'elikōlani College of Hawaiian Language
- Minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.5
- Show financial need
- Community service hours required

DANIEL AND LYDIA MAKUAKANE ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- Full-time, part-time, or unclassified students enrolled/planning to enroll in an **undergraduate** language program of UH-Hilo's Ka Haka 'Ula O Ke'elikōlani College of Hawaiian Language

Undergraduate preference given to:

- (1) students of Native Hawaiian ancestry;
- (2) parents of students of P-12 Hawaiian language medium-immersion schools on the Island of Hawai'i who are not proficient or wish to improve proficiency in 'ōlelo Hawai'i;
- (3) Hawai'i Community College transfer students pursuing undergraduate degrees in 'ōlelo Hawai'i at UH-Hilo's Ka Haka 'Ula O Ke'elikōlani College of Hawaiian Language

- Full-time or part-time student enrolled/planning to enroll in a **graduate** program at UH-Hilo's Ka Haka 'Ula O Ke'elikōlani College of Hawaiian Language

Graduate preference given to:

- (1) students of Native Hawaiian ancestry;
- (2) teachers who are employed at any P-12 Hawaiian language medium-immersion school in the State of Hawai'i who wish to enroll in the graduate teacher education program;
- (3) current teachers or administrators of P-20 Hawaiian language medium-immersion schools on the Island of Hawai'i to pursue master's and doctoral degrees;
- (4) students on the Island of Hawai'i who are or will be enrolled in the graduate teacher education program

- Show financial need
- Community service hours required

UH HILO HAUNANI BERNARDINO ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FOR EXCELLENCE

SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- Full-time, undergraduate or graduate student majoring in Hawaiian Studies at UH-Hilo's Ka Haka 'Ula O Ke'elikōlani College of Hawaiian Language
- Minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0
- Preference given to applicants who demonstrate knowledge or service in the area of Hawaiian music, culture or the arts, including, playing in a musical group, participating in community service activities, and enrolling in programs or education offerings related to Hawaiian music, and/or, the arts
- Community service hours required

KA HAKA 'ULA O KE'ELIKŌLANI STUDENT MERIT AID AWARD

SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Minimum cumulative high school and/or college GPA of 3.0 and/or distinctive talent and knowledge base of value to the College in its Hawaiian Studies, Linguistics, Education, and Indigenous Studies fields
- Prior community service in a Hawaiian language environment like the 'Aha Pūnana Leo, a Ke'elikōlani College laboratory school or another Hawaiian medium public school, and 'Imiloa Astronomy Center of Hawai'i and/or service in an environment that promotes endangered language and culture survival or increased interaction among peoples of diverse languages and cultures
- Community service hours required

APPLICATION SUBMISSION

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Completed applications should be turned in to:

Ka Haka 'Ula O Ke'elikōlani College of Hawaiian Language
Hale'ōlelo Bldg., Administrative Office
University of Hawai'i at Hilo
200 W. Kāwili Street
Hilo, HI 96720

* Completed applications may be returned:

in person to the office no later than 4:00pm, or

via email (khuokuhh@hawaii.edu) no later than 11:59pm, or

via USPS mail, postmarked no later than March 31, 2025

QUESTIONS? CONTACT:

Ku'ulei Kepa'a, kuulei.kepaa@hawaii.edu

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 31st, 2025

APPLICANT INFORMATION

UH ID Number _____

Last Name _____

MI _____

First Name _____

Email _____

Address Line 1 _____

Address Line 2 _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Phone _____

Birth Date _____

Resident Status (State of Hawai'i): Resident Non-Resident

Hawai'i State residents, select the island you are a resident of: _____

Last High School Attended/Year Graduated: _____

I am applying for funding for: Fall 2025 Spr 2026 Both semesters

If you will be a **HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT** during the **2025-2026** academic year:

Current High School Cumulative GPA: _____

If you will be a **UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE STUDENT** during the **2025-2026** academic year:

Year in College: 1 2 3 4 Graduate

Declared Major(s)/Program(s):

_____ Exp. Completion Date: _____

_____ Curr. Cum. GPA: _____

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Silva Unclassified Full-time declared major/graduate program:

Makuakāne Undergrad Part-time _____

Bernardino Grad _____

Merit current cum GPA: _____



If you will be an UNDERGRADUATE student in the 2025-2026 academic year, CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:

- I am a parent of a current student of a P-12 Hawaiian language immersion school on Hawai'i island and wish to improve my Hawaiian language proficiency.
child _____
grade _____
school _____
- I am a Hawai'i Community College transfer student pursuing a B.A. in Hawaiian Studies at UH-Hilo's Ka Haka 'Ula O Ke'elikōlani.
term/year transferred to UH-Hilo _____

If you will be a GRADUATE student in the 2025-2026 academic year, CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:

- I am a teacher at a P-12 Hawaiian language immersion school in the State of Hawai'i and have been accepted to Kahuawaiola for the 2025-2026 academic year.
school _____
- I am a student on Hawai'i island accepted to Kahuawaiola for the 2025-2026 academic year.
- I am a teacher/administrator at a P-20 Hawaiian language immersion school on Hawai'i island and have been accepted to one of the following graduate degree programs at UH-Hilo's Ka Haka 'Ula O Ke'elikōlani.
(graduate degree program):
 - M.A. in Indigenous Language and Culture Education, Indigenous Medium Education Emphasis
 - M.A. in Indigenous Language and Culture Education, Hawaiian Language and Literature Emphasis
 - Ph.D. in Hawaiian and Indigenous Language and Culture Revitalization(for teacher/administrator employment verification):
school _____
position _____

Other scholarships, grants, awards, etc. that I am receiving for the 2025-2026 academic year:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

- I hereby certify the truth and accuracy of all information contained in this application.
- I hereby give consent to the Scholarship Application Review Committee to (1) access my University records, and (2) confirm information given in this application, including but not limited to: enrollment of my child(ren) in the Hawaiian language immersion school listed (Makuakāne Scholarship), and my employment/position at the Hawaiian language immersion school listed (Makuakāne Scholarship).
- I hereby give consent to have my contact information forwarded to any organizations from which I receive funding.

SIGNATURE _____

ESSAY SECTION:

(1) Please explain what degree(s)/certification you are currently seeking and why:

(2) Explain how the vision statement of Ka Haka 'Ula O Ke'elikōlani,
“O ka 'Ōlelo ke Ka'ā o ka Maui: Language is the fiber that binds us to our cultural identity”,
relates to your educational goals (as described above):

(3) Please provide your statement of **FINANCIAL NEED**:

(4) Describe your knowledge or service in the area of Hawaiian music, culture or the arts:

Please include (1)musical group(s) of which you are a part, (2)participation in community service activities, and/or (3)enrollment in programs or education offerings related to Hawaiian music, and/or the arts:

(5) Please describe any special skills you possess that may benefit the Hawaiian language speaking community/other indigenous language speaking community as well as any community service you have already provided to such an environment: