HWST 140: Mahiʻai I: Hawaiian Taro Culture
3 credits (CRN 64209)
Tuesdays 8:00am – 1:00pm

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WINDWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE MISSION STATEMENT

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CATALOG DESCRIPTION


STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

As a result of taking this course, students can expect to attain the following outcomes:

- Tell the Moʻolelo (traditional history) of kalo
- Explain the cultural significance of kalo in Hawaiian culture
- Identify varieties of kalo and their characteristics
- Record and analyze observations of kalo cultivation

COURSE TASKS

1. Weekly readings, reflections papers, and discussions (students will complete each weekly reading with a reflection paper and will participate in class discussions)
2. Kilo journaling (students will complete a kilo entry each weekday in their Kilo journals, to be turned at the middle and end of the session for grading)
3. Hōʻike (students will have 2 quizzes during the semester and 1 final test at the end of the semester)
4. Final Paper & Haʻiʻōlelo (students will write a paper and complete an oral presentation on their paper at the end of the session)
ASSESSMENT TASKS AND GRADING

- Attendance & Participation                        30%
- Weekly Readings, Reflection Papers, & Kilo Journal Entries 20%
- Quizes                                             10%
- Mid-term                                           10%
- Final Hōʻīke                                       10%
- Final Paper & Haʻiʻōlelo                            20%

Total                                                100%

COURSE CONTENT

1. Kumuhana 1 – Hāloa
   a. ‘O Wai ‘o Hāloa? – Who is Hāloa?
      i. ‘O Hāloa, Ka Hawaiʻi Mua Loa
      ii. Reflection & Discussion

2. Kumuhana 2 – Cultivation (Hawaiian Methodology)
   a. Topic: Kilo (Observation), Mahina, Lā, ʻŌpua, Makani, Wai, Lepo.
      i. Reading: Fornander Collection Vol. 6 – Pt. 1 (Fornander. Pg 160-160 & 330)
      ii. Reflections & discussion

3. Kumuhana 3 – Traditional Agriculture
   a. Topic: Mahiʻai, Mala ʻai, Kuaʻāina
      i. Reading: Hawaiian Antiquities: Ka Moʻolelo Hawaiʻi (Malo, pg 269-273)
      ii. Reading: Nā Kuaʻāina (McGregor, 2007)
      iii. Reflections & discussion

4. Kumuhana 4 – Present Day Kalo Cultivation
   a. Topic: Kalo Varieties, Preserving Kūpuna Kalo
      i. Jerry Konanui
      ii. Reflection & Discussion

5. Kumuhana 5 – Natural Farming practices
   a. Topic: Natural Farming, Kuaʻāina
      i. Rappunʻs, Kobayashi
      ii. Reflection & Discussion

6. Kumuhana 6 – Aloha ʻĀina
   a. Topic: Aloha ʻĀina, Conservation, Relationship
      i. Reading: Ke Aloha Aina – He Aha Ia? (Ke Aloha ʻĀina, Vol.1 Helu 1, 25th Mei 1895)
      ii. Reflection & Discussion

LEARNING RESOURCES

- Native Planters In Old Hawaii: Their Life, Lore, and Environment (Handy, Pukui. 1972)
- ‘Ōlelo Noʻeau (Pukui. 198)
- ‘O Hāloa, ka Hawaiʻi Mua Loa (Wilson. 1999)
- Fornander Collection Vol. 6 – Pt. 1 (Fornander. 1919-1920)
- Hawaiian Antiquities : Ka Moolelo Hawaii (Malo. 1998)
- Nā Kua’aīna: Living Hawaiian Culture (McGregor, 2007)

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

No cell phones during class time. Each unexcused absence (no call no show) will result in a 5 point grade deduction. Late and missing work can be made up after proper arrangements have been made with your instructor.

**DISABILITIES ACCOMMODATIONS**

If you have a physical, sensory, health, cognitive, or mental health disability that could limit your ability to fully participate in this class, you are encouraged to contact the Accessibility Counselor to discuss reasonable accommodations that will help you succeed in this class. Roy Inouye can be reached at (808) 235-7448, royinouy@hawaii.edu, or you may stop by Hale Kāko’o 106 for more information.

**SEX DISCRIMINATION AND GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE RESOURCES (TITLE IX)**

Windward Community College is committed to providing a learning, working, and living environment that promotes personal integrity, civility, and mutual respect and is free of all forms of sex discrimination and gender-based violence, including sexual assault, sexual harassment, gender-based harassment, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

If you or someone you know is experiencing any of these, WCC has staff and resources to support and assist you. To report an incident of sex discrimination or gender-based violence, as well as receive information and support, please contact one of the following:

Madoka (Doka) Kumagai, Confidential Advocate  
Phone: (808) 348-0663 (cellular)  
Phone: (808) 956-6084 (office)  
Email: kumagaim@hawaii.edu

Desrae Kahale, Mental Health Counselor & Confidential Resource  
Phone: (808) 235-7393  
Email: dkahale3@hawaii.edu  
Office: Hale Kāko’o 101

Karla K. Silva-Park, Title IX Coordinator  
Phone: (808) 235-7468  
Email: karlas@hawaii.edu  
Office: Hale ʻĀkoakoa 220

As a member of the University faculty, I am required to immediately report any incident of sex discrimination or gender-based violence to the campus Title IX Coordinator. Although the Title IX Coordinator and I cannot guarantee confidentiality, you will still have options about how your
case will be handled. My goal is to make sure you are aware of the range of options available to you and have access to the resources and support you need.

For more information regarding sex discrimination and gender-based violence, the University’s Title IX resources and the University’s Policy, Interim EP 1.204, go to manoa.hawaii.edu/titleix/

**ALTERNATE CONTACT INFORMATION**

If you are unable to contact the instructor, have questions that your instructor cannot answer, or for any other issues, please contact the Academic Affairs Office:

- Location: Alaka‘i 121
- Phone: (808) 235-7422