

Kaiāulu Ko‘olau

Welcome to the new bulletin - Community of the Ko‘olau

FRESH FACES

Meet Hae Lin Han, the new speech instructor! Hae Lin was hired this semester after completing her master's degree at UH Manoa during summer '07.

Why did you choose speech? I was a psych major looking for something more interactive or something to expand my experience. A co-worker convinced me to take a speech class. I had a sense of personal pride and accomplishment while giving speeches as a student and decided to take it to the next level by minoring in it. I had a passion and a knack for it. I taught 3 classes as a TA.

What do you think is the best thing about WCC? Everyone is extraordinarily approachable and seems to really enjoy being here as a faculty/staff member.

What is one thing you most enjoy about teaching? To interact with



Photo by Theresa Worden

students can evoke an incredible sense of connection and I think that is what life is about, interdependency. I also like encouraging students to find a balance in their everyday struggles and to find themselves.

What is a little known fact about you? I can do amazing things with my feet.

Where, besides WCC, could one find you in Oahu? Sure Shot Cafe in Makiki.

What is one of the best things you did over the summer? I had an experience which trumped seeing Celine Dion in Vegas.

I watched Jersey Boys on Broadway, the most incredible show I've ever seen.

Anything else you'd like to add? A quote by Julia Sorel that I shared with my students today, "If you're never scared or embarrassed or hurt, it means you never take any chances."

ADVENTURES

"Bali was an incredible experience. The main town of Denpasar, as well as other villages is like the largest swap meet you have ever been to. The country is beautiful, lots of terraces and rice fields. There are amazing temples in every village. This one island I visited was like going back in time- families were growing and drying seaweed, everything was done by hand, and electricity was sparse. There were only a few mopeds, unlike the the main island where there are at least 30 mopeds for every car and few rules to the road (we have it good in Hawaii). I highly recommend going to Bali for an adventure, the best part is the spas (about \$10 for an hour massage). Most of the tourists were women and their girlfriends, who left their husband and kids at home. For me, it was my first break in 4 years and my husband survived in spite of me worrying that he would burn the house down with his cooking skills and my 2 and 3 year old would be in charge." -Michelle Smith, Human Biology lecturer, WCC and KCC. To find your own unique Bali treasure visit Michelle's website www.hawaiitropicaltraders.com

DID YOU KNOW?

The mission of the University of Hawai'i Community Colleges Leadership Champions (CCLC) is to identify, encourage, develop, and support the next generation of community college leadership.

The Goals of CCLC are to: Identify and encourage individuals to welcome roles of leadership; Develop creative dynamic leadership committed to the core values of the UHCCs; Support an atmosphere of leadership among faculty, staff, and administration

DOINGS of the DOI

- Office has been rearranged and now has a faculty sitting area with phone, work desk, and a resipiscent paperback lending library.
- Kim, Lara, and Erin are busy with purchasing for the depts as they go into full swing for the fall semester.
- Deans are working on enrollment growth, budget, scheduling, pole dancing, new program proposals from Ocean recreation and Safety, Vet Tech, and a budding Tree Program. Deans attended the system-wide convocation to honor our Excellence in Teaching recipient, Kathleen French. -Eliz and Margie

Lance Uyeda, English lecturer, writes:

TRiO Student Support Services had a busy summer and first week of school. On Aug 3, almost three weeks before the first day of class, twenty student participants came to school to clean, paint, and reorganize the SSS computer lab. The walls and parts of the ceiling were sprayed with bleach and scrubbed, the paint was mixed, cut, rolled, and



Herb Milliora paints at elevation

brushed, and the tables were rearranged. Then of course we all ate lunch! From Aug 20-24, TRiO SSS hosted a week of barbecues that had students from across campus lining up for jumbo hot dogs and delicious teri burgers. SSS staff visited classes throughout the week to drum up support for the program, and visitations will continue for as long as instructors are willing to let us barge into their classrooms (for no longer than five minutes!)



Chris Delima (R) with tongs at the ready. Director Roy Inouye (L) flips burgers.

Lisa Gillis-Davis, Director of Upward Bound writes: The TRIO-Upward Bound program at WCC was recently awarded a grant for \$1,000,000 from the U.S. Department of Education. There are over 750 Upward Bound programs nationwide! This new funding will allow Upward Bound to serve Windward high school students who are from low-income families or families where neither parent has earned a bachelor's degree through 2011. We will continue our academic counseling, high school visits, assistance with college scholarships, financial aid, applications, tours of Hawaii colleges, study prep for the SATs, and of course our six-week residential summer program. (Did you realize WCC Upward Bound students and staff live in the dorms at UHM for six weeks each summer while they attend daytime classes at WCC?) Thank you to the WCC faculty who have taught courses for Upward Bound during the past two summers, including Malia Lau Kong, Frank Palacat, Joe Ciotti, Jody Helfand, Jake Hudson, Sarah Hodell, Courtney Kunimura, and Ian Masterson. Thank you to everyone who wrote letters of support during our grant competition process. It really paid off for high school students in our community!



Upward Bound Students at work.

OFFICE of UNIVERSITY PARTNERS -ISSUES and ANSWERS

The first two Chaminade AUP (Accelerated Undergraduate Program) classes are in full swing at WCC, Criminal Justice 151 and Forensic Science 180. Initial surveys of the 19 students show the following basic demographics:

Fall Course	M	F
CJ 151	2	4
FS 180	2	11
Total	4	15

Nine of the students are concurrently enrolled in Windward classes, and three of the WCC students are enrolled in *both* Chaminade classes. Several of the students in the evening FS class already hold associate's or bachelor's degrees. **Immunizations.** Chaminade follows Hawaii state law regarding immunizations. Their students must provide current immunization records to the Chaminade Registrar. **Library Use.** Non-WCC students follow the Community User guidelines at Windward Library. **Computer Use.** Non-WCC students may use WCC computers on campus depending on demand and volume. Your comments and suggestions are always welcome. Aloha. cjturner@hawaii.edu

INSPIRATION

"A mind is a fire to be kindled, not a vessel to be filled." -Plutarc
 "Five frogs are sitting on a log. Four decide to jump off. How many are left? Answer: five. Why? Because there's a difference between deciding and doing." -Mark Feldman & Michael Spratt, 'Five Frogs on a Log'

If you have questions or comments about the bulletin or would like to submit an event, program/department update, or personal experience for October's issue, please contact Sarah Hadmack at minnis@hawaii.edu or 236-9140 by October 8th.

EVENTS

2007 Dean's Advisory Council Meetings: 9/20, 10/18, 11/15, (12/7 Fri-9am).
 2008 Meetings: 1/17, 2/21, 3/20, 4/17, (5/2 Fri- 10am) All meetings will be held in Alaka'i 118 at 12:40 unless otherwise noted.

Community Forums in Chemistry: 10/3
 Extraterrestrial Formation of the Molecules of Life, 10/29
 DNA Microarrays in Disease Detection and Diagnosis, 11/29
 Bioterrorism. Forums are from 1:30-2:30 in Imiloa III