Ke Alaka'i: Special Education Leadership Project

Preparing Special Education Teacher Educators



The focus of the grant is to develop university faculty who will become teacher educators in Hawai'i and/or the Pacific region.

*Financial Support Includes:

- \$26,000/year stipend for 5 years
- Initial \$2000 technology stipend

Ph.D. Eligibility Requirements:

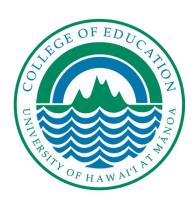
- Master's Degree in special education, disability studies, or related field from accredited institution
- 3.0 minimum GPA (last four semesters of the undergraduate record and all post-baccalaureate work)
- Minimum of three years of practical experience in education and/or exceptionalities
- Official GRE test results, current within 5 years

Ke Alaka'i Eligibility Requirements:

- Citizenship of US or US jurisdiction
- Emphasis area in distance special education personnel preparation
- Acceptance in the Ph.D. in Education Program, Exceptionalities Specialization for Spring 2017

*Required scholar service obligation (payback) of two years working in a special education leadership position in the United States (or its jurisdictions) for each year of financial support. Service obligation monitored by the federal government.





Applications and materials must be submitted by:

October 1, 2016

Interested or have questions?

http://bit.ly/spedinfo

Spring 2017

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Program Overview

Ke Alaka'i program requirements:

- Enrollment in at least 9 semester hours of program course requirements each semester
- Participation in bi-weekly special education seminars focusing on evidence-based practices, multicultural special education, & distance teacher education
- Participation in weekly faculty mentorship activities focused on special education research and professional development
- Intensive support and advising from special education faculty
- Completion of degree requirements (including doctoral dissertation) within 5 years

We strongly recommend that trainees refrain from full-time employment during their traineeship to facilitate degree completion within the 5 project years.

Leadership roles in special education include such positions as faculty at a college or university, researcher, district resource teacher, district or state-level administrator, agency program director or administrator, or special education consultant.

How to Apply

Receive a step-by-step application guide

http://bit.ly/spedinfo

Application: OGE **paper** application, along with \$100 application fee.

Transcripts: ALL non-UH post secondary institutions you have attended.

GRE Scores: Test scores current within 5 years Statement of Objectives: Professional and research-focused, addressing project priorities of evidence-based practices, multicultural special education, and distance teacher education.

Formal Writing Sample: Published article, thesis, research proposal, etc.

Three Letters of Recommendation Curriculum Vitae

An oral interview may be requested by the Exceptionalities Specialization after you have submitted all necessary application materials.

To Apply for this Grant

DO NOT send any materials to the UHM Office of Graduate Education Use the <u>step-by-step application</u> guide and send application and materials by October 1, 2016.

MORE PROGRAM INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE AT

https://coe.hawaii.edu/academics/special-education/phd-exceptionalities