



## Hau'oli Mau Loa Foundation – Graduate Assistantship Opportunities in Marine Biology, Oceanography, Earth Sciences

Hau'oli Mau Loa Foundation ([www.hauolimauloa.org](http://www.hauolimauloa.org)), SOEST, and CNS are pleased to announce the **availability of two graduate assistantships for local students dedicated to careers in natural resource management in the state of Hawai'i**. Each assistantship comes with generous support for two years (2<sup>nd</sup> year pending satisfactory academic performance), including a Graduate Assistantship, a full tuition remission, and \$5,000 in professional development funds (e.g., books, fees, travel to local and national conferences, and supplies).

**The overall goal of the Hau'oli Mau Loa graduate assistantships is to develop the next generation of natural resource management leaders in Hawai'i.** The following eligibility criteria apply: (i) good academic standing (minimum GPA of 3.0 prior to and throughout the assistantship); (ii) from Hawai'i, as evidenced by graduating from a Hawai'i high school; (iii) pursuing a M.S. degree in **Marine Biology, Oceanography, or Earth Sciences**; (iv) track record of supporting Hawai'i's environment (e.g., internships, volunteer opportunities, etc.) and serving in a leadership capacity (academic, athletic, extracurricular, and/or professional); and (v) commitment to pursuing and attaining a long-term career in natural resource management in Hawai'i.

### Application Details:

- (1) If you are not currently a SOEST or CNS graduate student, you must apply to one of the eligible M.S. programs by:
  - a. Submitting all required application materials to UHM, please see <http://manoa.hawaii.edu/graduate/content/graduate-programs> for specific program details; and
  - b. Submit an additional essay (~2 pages, single spaced) clearly describing how you do/do not meet the five eligibility criteria listed above. Submit: (a) the essay; (b) a letter of recommendation from your advisor; and (c) transcripts (unofficial are acceptable) to [elohr@hawaii.edu](mailto:elohr@hawaii.edu) with "Hau'oli Mau Loa Assistantship Application" in the subject line.
- (2) Current SOEST and CNS graduate students are eligible to apply if they will have completed <10 credit hours as of August 1, 2023. Submit: (a) the essay described above; (b) a letter of recommendation from your advisor; and (c) transcripts (unofficial are acceptable) to [elohr@hawaii.edu](mailto:elohr@hawaii.edu) with "*Hau'oli Mau Loa Assistantship Application*" in the subject line.
- (3) All applicants, please include your current USPS mailing address along with the other requirements.

**Successful applicants are expected to begin their M.S. graduate degree program in August 2023. The application deadline is January 15, 2023.** Please contact Chip Fletcher, SOEST Associate Dean, with any questions regarding this program (808-956-2582; [fletcher@soest.hawaii.edu](mailto:fletcher@soest.hawaii.edu)).