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## WEDNESDAY EVENING SEMINAR

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*Education Program Presents*

# Defining Occupation in Asia and the Pacific: The Case Studies of Hawai`i and Baltic States

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Wednesday, September 29, 2010

6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Keoni Auditorium, Imin International Conference Center

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The occupations of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania occurred during and after World War II, first from 1940 to 1941, then following World War II until the early-1990s, as the Soviet Union subsumed these countries within its territorial borders. Similar to the Soviet occupation of the Baltic States, the US has occupied the Hawaiian Islands twice, first from January 16 to April 1, 1893, and then beginning on 12 August 1898. The US occupation of the Hawaiian Islands still continues.

This presentation will explore the definition of occupation as it applies to Asia and the Pacific. Specifically, this talk will examine the prolonged occupations of Hawai`i and the Baltic States as a means of understanding the concept of occupation. Once this legal concept is clarified, this presentation will then delve into other occupations that have occurred in Asia and the Pacific. How did these occupations begin? What happened to culture and language under these occupations? How did these occupations end? How did language and culture change after these occupations?

Dr. Kūhiō Vogeler has eighteen years of experience researching Hawai`i's unique cultural and political landscape. He has taught classes on Political Science, Political Theory, Politics of Hawai`i, and Public Law and Judicial Behavior. Dr. Vogeler has recently completed his doctoral dissertation, "For Your Freedom and Ours": The Prolonged Occupations of Hawai`i and the Baltic States." Dr. Vogeler is a former `Ōiwi Ake Akamai Fellow and East-West Center Degree Fellow. Dr. Vogeler is currently a cultural researcher at Cultural Surveys Hawai`i in Waimānalo.

**Refreshments will be served. Please bring your own cup, plate/bowl and utensil.  
The community is welcome to attend this lecture.**