EAST-WEST CENTER

Education Program

LEARN, GROW, CONNECT

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www.EastWestCenter.org/StudentPrograms
At the East-West Center (EWC), we believe that solving today’s challenges will require leaders who are innovative and can work collaboratively across cultural and disciplinary boundaries. Our Education Program provides students from Asia, the Pacific, the US and beyond with an environment of respect, openness and responsibility, of “shared community”: a space to share perspectives and experiences, exchange ideas, contribute knowledge, and practice collaborative problem solving.

**Our Distinctive Approach**
The EWC student programs provide:

- Funding support for degree study at the University of Hawai‘i
- A dynamic, international residential community
- A stimulating environment for academic collaborations and connections
- Engaging activities, seminars, and conferences, with a focus on shared issues across the US, Asia, and the Pacific
- Leadership and professional development opportunities
- Cultural exchange

**Friendships & Network**
Ask any of our alumni what makes the Center special, and they’ll tell you about the lifelong friends they’ve made and the support of a network of people committed to positive change in the Asia Pacific region.

“Being part of East-West Center has been incredible for connecting with scholars and practitioners around the Pacific. The structured opportunities to connect with other students, like CBI, were valuable in building that community EWC is so known for.”

— Foley Pfalzgraf, Graduate Degree Fellow, 2018–2020
East–West Center Graduate Degree Fellowship
The Graduate Degree Fellowship is a transformative opportunity to participate in educational, cultural, residential community building, and leadership development programs while receiving up to two years of funding to pursue master’s or doctoral degree study at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa (UHM).
www.EastWestCenter.org/GDF

Asian Development Bank–Japan Scholarship Program (ADB–JSP)
The ADB–JSP provides full support for young professionals to pursue master’s degree study in ADB–JSP approved fields of study at UHM and for participation in the educational, residential, and leadership development programs at the EWC.
www.EastWestCenter.org/ADB

United States South Pacific Scholarship Program (USSP)
The US South Pacific Scholarship Program (USSP), authorized by the US Congress and funded by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the US Department of State, is a competitive, merit-based scholarship program that provides opportunities for master’s and bachelor’s degree study at the University of Hawai‘i in fields that are directly relevant to the development needs of Pacific island countries.
www.EastWestCenter.org/USSP

Obuchi Student Scholarship
Obuchi Student Scholarships are part of the Graduate Degree Fellowship program and support students from Okinawa for master’s or doctoral degree study at UHM in fields deemed beneficial to Okinawan development needs.
www.EastWestCenter.org/Obuchi

PROJECT Governance Graduate Fellowship
The PROJECT Governance Graduate Fellowship (ProGov Fellowship) is designed to support promising young leaders from Pacific island countries to earn a one-year professional degree at UHM in the fields of finance, information systems, or law. PROJECT Governance is a partnership of the East–West Center, The Pacific Community (SPC), and other regional partners, funded by the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)—From the American People.
www.EastWestCenter.org/ProGov–Fellowship

Development Research for Oceania Pipeline (DROP)
DROP supports master’s thesis and doctoral dissertation research related to priority Pacific island development issues. It provides financial support and mentorship for policy-oriented field research, paper development, and research dissemination. It aims to increase awareness and understanding of the development challenges of the Pacific. DROP is a partnership between EWC and the Pacific Islands Development Program, funded by the Asian Development Bank.
www.EastWestCenter.org/ADB–DROP
Community Building Institute
The Community Building Institute (CBI) is an integrated orientation that brings together new students from the US, Asia, the Pacific, and beyond to engage in place-based learning and explore the many connections that unite different cultures here in Hawai‘i, at the EWC, and abroad. All activities are designed to foster learning and collaboration amongst students across their diverse cultures, backgrounds and academic fields, to build a sense of community in their new home at the EWC. The CBI reflects a whole of Center approach, intertwining arts, research, leadership, education and our residential community staff to lay the groundwork for students’ EWC experience.

The Exchange
The Exchange is a key community-building element of the EWC experience, designed to connect students to each other and to the issues, histories, challenges, and vibrant cultures of the US–Asia Pacific region, enhancing students’ regional literacy and collaborative skills. A required gathering of Center students in their first two semesters, The Exchange is a series of weekly evening events, planned and led by students, featuring guest presentations, performances, and activities.

Living on Campus at East–West Center
The international residential experience is a cornerstone of our graduate student programs. Students live, learn, and work together on the Center’s 21-acre campus, adjacent to the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, featuring conference, research and residential facilities, beautiful gardens, and inviting spaces for collaboration on academic and community activities. EWC scholarship and affiliation programs require living in residence at the EWC.

The East-West Center is a public nonprofit organization whose mission is to promote better relations and understanding among the people and nations of the United States, Asia, and the Pacific through cooperative study, research and dialogue. Established by the U.S. Congress in 1960, the Center fosters an open, international community of collaborative, multidisciplinary action that prepares emerging leaders to face shared challenges and bring about a more peaceful, prosperous, sustainable and just region.

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