The East-West Center experience unites more than 65,000 students, scholars, and professional associates from more than 166 countries. For many, the Center provided a defining chapter in their lives, affecting their outlooks and aspirations and building lifelong personal and professional networks.

Background

The East-West Center Association (EWCA) is an international network of professionals who have a past affiliation with the East-West Center. There are no membership fees or other requirements to participate in the EWCA. The Association is led by an international Executive Board representing the various professions, regions, and decades of its members. Collectively, they are contributing to global understanding, building an Asia Pacific community, and making a world of difference.

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EWCA Membership

EWCA members enjoy numerous benefits and privileges

**A Global Network.** The EWCA is a large community of more than 65,000 professionals working to advance international cooperation and understanding among people in the Asia Pacific region and the United States.

**East-West Community.** EWCA’s online community features an online directory accessible to EWCA alumni members only. Members can update their contact information and find information on alumni friends and colleagues anywhere with internet access. Access the East-West Community at EastWestCommunity.org/alumni. Or if you prefer, go to EastWestCenter.org/alumni/contact-information to download an update form.

**EWCA Website.** Provides information about chapters, programs, conferences, and online networks. Visit the website at EastWestCenter.org/alumni.

**Chapters.** Nearly 50 regional and special interest chapters broaden the outreach of the EWCA and provide members with a variety of professional and social activities. For a list of chapters and their contacts, go to EastWestCenter.org/alumni/ewca-alumni-chapters.

**Alumni Awards Eligibility.** Members are eligible to be considered for recognition by colleagues for outstanding professional achievements, contributions that further the East-West Center mission, and exceptional volunteer efforts.

**Conferences and Events.** Members are invited to participate in a variety of professional events and are eligible for discounted registration fees for EWCA international and regional conferences.

**Library and Housing Privileges.** While in Hawai‘i, members may borrow books and documents from the EWCA Research Information Services collection. They also receive discounted room rates at EWCA housing facilities.

Support Services

EWCA provides a variety of services and support for current EWCA students/participants

**Scholarships.** The EWCA Alumni Scholarships help increase the number of EWCA students and provide supplemental funding to graduate-degree fellows.

**Recruiting.** Individual alumni as well as chapters support the EWCA’s efforts to involve well-qualified students in its programs by helping to identify students, encouraging students to apply for EWCA programs and scholarships, and organizing pre-departure sendoffs for new students preparing to come to the Center.

**Mentoring.** Alumni volunteers serve as professional mentors to current EWCA students. These alumni provide opportunities for students to find out more about various professions and assist them in determining their future career objectives.

**Networking.** Alumni volunteers throughout the region help traveling students by providing local hospitality, introducing them to professional organizations, welcoming them to local EWCA chapters, providing them with advice to assist them in adjusting to new locations, and helping them locate internships.

**Travel Grants.** EWCA provides travel grants for students to make presentations at professional conferences, to accept internships away from the Center, and to carry out field research required to complete their degree requirements.

Update Your Contact Information

Keep your contact information current to continue receiving EWCA and EWCA information through email. Bookmark EastWestCommunity.org/alumni in your browser to update your information at any time.

Support the EWCA

The EWC continues to give high priority to supporting degree and non-degree students. Contributions make it possible for today’s East-West Center students to enjoy the same opportunities and successes that alumni once experienced. For more information go to EastWestCenter.org/alumni/support-the-ewca.