East-West Center Professional Development Program

Orientation Program

Pacific Islands Tourism Professional Fellows Program

August-September 2022 Alumni Cohort
POST-ARRIVAL ORIENTATION

August 24-26, 2022

East-West Center

This is a program of the U.S. Department of State with funding provided by the U.S. Government, administered by the East-West Center.
Monday, August 22, 2022

9:10am  Fellows From Timor-Leste Arrive in Honolulu
American Airlines Flight AA 7359 from Sydney, Australia

Tuesday, August 23, 2022

8:50pm  Remaining Fellows Arrive in Honolulu
Hawaiian Airlines Flight HA 9 for Los Angeles, CA

Wednesday, August 24, 2022

East-West Center, Burns Hall Room 2012

9:00am  Welcome & Program Overview
Mr. Scott Kroeker, Senior Program Officer, Professional Development Program
Mr. Chris Remsen, Program Officer, U.S. Department of State (via Zoom)

10:00am  Leadership Tok Stori
Ms. Suzanne (Suzy) Puanani Vares-Lum, President, East-West Center
Dr. Mary Therese Perez Hattori, Interim Director, Pacific Islands Development Program

11:30am  Paperwork & Program Survey
Ms. Saw Thinn, Program Assistant, Professional Development Program

12:21pm  Bus Departs to First Hawaiian Bank & Lunch Mānoa Marketplace
Public Bus #6 -- stop located on East-West Road in front of Burns Hall
Per Diem checks to be cashed at bank followed by lunch on your own

1:30pm  Walk to Field Trip Site
A short (less than 1km) walk

2:00pm  Heritage Tourism: Ka Hale Hōʻikeʻike ‘O Mānoa Heritage: Mānoa Heritage Center
“Mānoa Heritage Center is 3.5-acre living classroom dedicated to promoting and understanding of the cultural and natural heritage of Hawaiʻi.” www.manoaheritagecenter.org

3:30pm  Your choice. Bus back to East-West Center or Grocery Shopping at Mānoa Marketplace
EVENING FREE
Thursday, August 25, 2022
Burns Hall Room 2012

9:00am  Diversity Requirements & Expectations of East-West Center Participants
Video overview of the East-West Center’s Harassment, Discrimination, Sexual Misconduct & Title IX policy. Please review the policy before the session.

9:30am  Tourism & Human Rights: Achieving the SDGs
Mr. Joshua Cooper, Director, Hawai‘i Institute for Human Rights
Joshua Cooper balances academia and advocacy focusing on international human rights law through diplomacy and direct action. He is able to persuade passionately and pressure persistently in global human rights mechanisms with intensity and intellect and has conducted trainings in many Pacific Island countries.

10:00am  Break

10:54am  Bus To Field Trip
Public Bus #13 -- stop located on Dole Street next to Burns Hall

11:30am  Hawaiian Culture & Mass Tourism
Ho‘okela Hawaiian Cultural Center
Ms. Ku‘uipo Kumukahi, Manager of Hawaiian Culture and Community Relations
Hyatt Regency Waikīkī Beach Resort & Spa

A beloved and award winning performer of Hawaiian Music, Ms. Kumukahi now ensures that Hawaiian culture is appropriately shared with visitors.

12:30pm  Lunch on your own

2:30pm  Cultural Tourism: Waikīkī’s Hawaiian Legacy
Helumoa Hale Guest Services & Heritage Room, Royal Hawaiian Hotel
Ms. Malia Sanders, Native Hawaiian Hospitality Association (NaHHA)

NaHHA will conduct a short walking tour of Hawai‘i’s tourism hub, Waikīkī, and discuss how the ancient history of the place still lives despite the commercialization of mass tourism.

4:30pm  Explore Waikiki on Your Own
Return to EWC campus on your own

EVENING FREE
Friday, August 26, 2022
Burns Hall Room 2012

9:00am   East-West Center Programs: Opportunities to Participate

  Scholarship/Fellowship Opportunities
  Ms. Ann Hartman, Dean, Education Program

  Alumni Activities
  Ms. Christina Monroe, Director of Alumni Engagement

10:30am  Shuttle Bus to Field Trip

  Meet in front of Burns Hall for private shuttle

11:30am  Historical Tourism: ‘Iolani Palace Tour

  The only royal palace in the United States,
  their mission is “to preserve, restore, interpret, share, and
  celebrate the unique cultural, historical, and spiritual
  qualities of Iolani Palace and its grounds for the benefit
  of native Hawaiians, the people of Hawaii, and the world.
  Iolani Palace is a living restoration of a proud Hawaiian
  national identity and is recognized as the spiritual and
  physical multicultural epicenter of Hawaii, representing
  the thriving dignity of the unique people of Hawaii.”
  - https://www.iolanipalace.org/

12:30pm  Lunch on your own in Chinatown

1:30pm   Shuttle to Field Trip Site

  Meet back at ‘Iolani Palace to catch shuttle to Kewalo Basin

2:00pm   Educational Tourism: Sail on Kamaoauli, a Traditional Wa’a Kaulua (Voyaging Canoe)

  “Kamaoauli is dedicated to preserving and perpetuating Hawaiian culture by offering a
  unique educational platform to share ka moʻolelo o ka ʻāina - the native history, myths,
  legends and stories of Hawai‘i. We offer a culturally immersive travel experience at sea
  along the Waikīkī coastline of O‘ahu.” — https://www.kamoauli.com/

5:00pm   Shuttle bus back to East-West Center

Saturday-Sunday, August 27-28 19-20, 2022

  Free Time/Religious Observances. Explore public transportation to placement site.

Monday, August 29, 2022

  Report To Your Placement
The Professional Fellows Program

The Professional Fellows Program (PFP) is a two-way, global exchange program designed to promote mutual understanding, enhance leadership and professional skills, as well as build lasting, sustainable partnerships between mid-level emerging leaders from foreign countries and the United States. PFP participants are placed in intensive 5-6 week fellowships which includes an internship in non-profit organizations, private sector businesses, and government offices across the United States for an individually tailored professional development experience. They build a broad network with American and other program participant colleagues as they develop a deeper understanding of U.S. society. The PFP is a two-way exchange, with American participants who have hosted foreign fellows traveling overseas for participant-driven reciprocal programs.

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