

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I AT MĀNOA (UHM)

COLLEGE OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM (COP)

"2015 Summer Residential College Experience" July 5, 2015 to August 14, 2015

WHAT IS COP?

The COP is seeking applicants for its 2015 Summer Residential College Experience, which is an intensive six-week summer academic and residential program geared toward preparing academically at-risk individuals for a successful freshman year at the UHM. Selected participants live on-campus and enroll in classes designed to upgrade academic and social skills. Participants receive free room and board, textbooks, and paid instructional expenses. Upon successful completion of the summer program, participants gain admission to the UHM in the fall semester and advance to COP's First-Year Academic Program.

The COP First-Year Academic Program requires all students to live on-campus, enroll in classes on a full-time basis, and be financially responsible for all of their college-related expenses. Students attend pre-scheduled group meetings and meet one-on-one with their COP advisors throughout the first year. "One-stop advising" enables all students to deal with registration, career planning and exploration, financial aid, housing, and on-campus employment issues at the COP office. The COP office also serves as a "home base" on campus, a place where students can work on assignments, use computers, meet friends, or just hang out.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Individuals who meet the following criteria are eligible to apply:

- Be a bona fide Hawai'i resident and U.S. citizen, national, or person holding a permanent visa. See UH Definition of Hawai'i Residency online at: http://manoa.hawaii.edu/admissions/undergrad/financing/residency.html
- 2. A high school graduate or senior graduating during the 2014-15 school year. Applicants who have earned or will have earned 12 or more semester transferable college credits at the time of application are not eligible for this program.
- 3. A cumulative high school GPA of 2.00 at the time of application.

Everyone who meets the criteria above is encouraged to apply; however, primary consideration will be given to applicants who meet the following criteria:

- 1. Lack the minimum requirements to gain admission to UHM (coursework, test scores, GPA, high school rank). See UHM Admission Requirements online at: http://manoa.hawaii.edu/admissions/undergrad/apply/freshman.html#adm_reqs
- 2. Come from an economically disadvantaged family background.
- 3. Be the first person in their family to attend a university.
- 4. Represent a positive role model to communities underrepresented at the UHM.

COP APPLICATION DEADLINE: DECEMBER 5, 2014