

Hawaiian Studies

The Academic Subject Certificate (ASC) in Hawaiian Studies prepares students for careers in education, healthcare, the visitor industry, or in fields requiring expertise in Hawaiian subject matter.

Upon successful completion of this certificate, students will be able to:

- Access sources of information about Hawai'i and Hawaiian studies
- Critically analyze information about Hawai'i and Hawaiian studies
- Communicate, applying correct Hawaiian pronunciation, spelling, basic phrase and sentence patterns
- Apply a firm foundation to continued Hawaiian language acquisition
- Demonstrate a basic understanding of Hawai'i, its natural and social history, and its Hawaiian heritage
- Identify Hawaiian environmental and community issues and ways to contribute to Hawai'i by applying information and understanding gained from the ASC in Hawaiian Studies
- Understand, appreciate, articulate, and safeguard Hawai'i, its unique heritage and identity through having attained the ASC in Hawaiian Studies

This certificate consists of a minimum of 24 total credits with five different areas of emphasis: Language, History/Culture, Science, and Performing and Visual Arts. See course descriptions for prerequisites.

NOTE

Choose ONE Area of Concentration (8–9 credits) from the following:

- 'Ōlelo Hawai'i (Hawaiian Language) (8 credits)
- Mo'olelo Hawai'i (Hawaiian History and Traditions) (9 credits)
- Hawaiian Performing Arts (9 credits)
- Hawaiian Performing Arts (9 credits)
- Ahupua'a (Hawaiian Land and Ocean Systems) (9 credits)

Program: [Hawaiian Studies](#)

Type: Academic Subject Certificate

Ke Kahua - Core Courses (11 credits)

Item #	Title	Credits
HWST 107	Hawai'i: Center of the Pacific	3
HAW 101	Elementary Hawaiian I	4
HAW 102	Elementary Hawaiian II	4

'Ōlelo Hawai'i (Hawaiian Language) Concentration (8 credits)

Item #	Title	Credits
HAW 201	Intermediate Hawaiian I	4
HAW 202	Intermediate Hawaiian II	4

Mo'olelo Hawai'i (Hawaiian History and Traditions) (Any 9 credits from list below)

Item #	Title	Credits
HWST 110	Huaka'i Wa'a: Introduction to Hawaiian Voyaging	3
HWST 115	Mo'okūauhau: Hawaiian Genealogies	3
HWST 215	Oli Hōlona: Beginning Hawaiian Protocol and Chant	3
HWST 217	Understanding Polynesian Religions	3
HWST 238	Native Voices through Contemporary Hawaiian and Indigenous Literature	3
HWST 253	Kamehameha I and the Hawaiian Kingdom	3
HWST 255	Introduction to the Hawaiian Kingdom	3
HWST 263	Hawaiian and Indigenous Film	3
HWST 270	Hawaiian Mythology	3
HIST 284	History of Hawai'i	3
POLS 180	Introduction to Hawaiian Politics	3
REL 205	Understanding Hawaiian Religion	3
REL 217	Understanding Polynesian Religions	3

Hawaiian Performing Arts (Any 9 credits from list below)

Item #	Title	Credits
HWST 130	Hula 'Ōlapa: Traditional Hawaiian Dance	3
HWST 131	Hula Ōlapa 'elua: Traditional Hawaiian Dance II	0
HWST 215	Oli Hōlona: Beginning Hawaiian Protocol and Chant	3
MUS 121F	Slack Key Guitar 1	2
MUS 121Z	'ukulele 1	2
MUS 122F	Slack Key Guitar 2	2
MUS 122Z	'ukulele 2	2
MUS 130F	Slack Key Guitar Ensemble	2
MUS 177	Intro to Hawaiian Music	3
MUS 211	Intro to Hawaiian Ensemble	2

Hawaiian Visual Art and Design (Any 9 credits from list below)

Item #	Title	Credits
ART 113	Introduction to Drawing	3
ART 189	Introduction to Hawaiian Art	3
HWST 135	Kālai Lā'au: Hawaiian Woodwork and Wood Carving	3
HWST 136	Kālai Lā'au II: Advanced Techniques in Hawaiian Carving	3
HWST 222	Ma'awe No'eau: Hawaiian Fiber Work	3
HWST 263	Hawaiian and Indigenous Film	3
HWST 273	Tattoo Traditions of Polynesia	3

Ahupua'a (Hawaiian Land and Ocean Systems) (Any 9 credits from list below)

Item #	Title	Credits
ANTH 175	Polynesian SuRF Culture	3
AQUA 201	The Hawai'i Fishpond	3
BIOL 200	Coral Reefs	3
BOT 205	Ethnobotanical Pharmacognosy	4
BOT 105	Ethnobotany	3
	BOT 130 & 130L	4
GG 103	Geology of Hawaiian Islands	3
HWST 110	Huaka'i Wa'a: Introduction to Hawaiian Voyaging	3
HWST 140	Mahi'ai I: Hawaiian Taro Culture	3
HWST 142	Mahi'ai Kalo II - Traditional and Modern Techniques of Lo'i Kalo Production	3
HWST 275	Wahi Pana: Mythology of the Hawaiian Landscape	3
HWST 285	Lā'au Lapa'au I: Hawaiian Medicinal Herbs	4
IS 201	The Ahupua'a	3
SCI 210	Polynesian Voyaging: Seamanship and Stewardship	3
ZOOL 105	Hawaiian Use of Fish and Aquatic Invertebrates	3

Electives (5–8 credits)

Any one course can be used only once in each Academic Subject Certificate.

Item #	Title	Credits
ANTH 175	Polynesian SuRF Culture	3
ANTH 175L	SuRF Culture Field Lab	1
AQUA 201	The Hawai'i Fishpond	3
AQUA 201L	The Hawai'i Fishpond Lab	1
ART 113	Introduction to Drawing	3
ART 189	Introduction to Hawaiian Art	3
ASTR 110	Survey of Astronomy	3
BIOL 200	Coral Reefs	3
BOT 105	Ethnobotany	3
BOT 130	Plants in the Hawaiian Environment	3
BOT 130L	Plants in the Hawaiian Environment Lab	1
GG 103	Geology of Hawaiian Islands	3
GG 210	O'ahu Field Geology	1
GG 211	Big Island Field Geology	1
GG 212	Maui Field Geology	1
GG 213	Moloka'i, Lana'i, and Kaho'olawe Field Geology	1
GG 214	Kaua'i and Ni'ihau Field Geology	1
HAW 201	Intermediate Hawaiian I	4
HAW 202	Intermediate Hawaiian II	4
HWST 110	Huaka'i Wa'a: Introduction to Hawaiian Voyaging	3
HWST 115	Mo'okūauhau: Hawaiian Genealogies	3
HWST 130	Hula 'Ōlapa: Traditional Hawaiian Dance	3
HWST 131	Hula Ōlapa 'elua: Traditional Hawaiian Dance II	0
HWST 135	Kālai Lā'au: Hawaiian Woodwork and Wood Carving	3
HWST 136	Kālai Lā'au II: Advanced Techniques in Hawaiian Carving	3
HWST 140	Mahi'ai I: Hawaiian Taro Culture	3
HWST 142	Mahi'ai Kalo II - Traditional and Modern Techniques of Lo'i Kalo Production	3
HWST 215	Oli Hōlona: Beginning Hawaiian Protocol and Chant	3
HWST 217	Understanding Polynesian Religions	3
HWST 222	Ma'awe No'eau: Hawaiian Fiber Work	3
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HWST 253	Kamehameha I and the Hawaiian Kingdom	3
HWST 255	Introduction to the Hawaiian Kingdom	3
HWST 263	Hawaiian and Indigenous Film	3
HWST 270	Hawaiian Mythology	3
HWST 273	Tattoo Traditions of Polynesia	3
HWST 275	Wahi Pana: Mythology of the Hawaiian Landscape	3
HWST 275L	Wahi Pana: Mythology of the Hawaiian Landscape Field Lab	1
HWST 285	Lā'au Lapa'au I: Hawaiian Medicinal Herbs	4
HWST 296	Special Topics in Hawaiian Studies	3
HIST 284	History of Hawai'i	3
IS 201	The Ahupua'a	3
MUS 121F	Slack Key Guitar 1	2
MUS 121Z	'ukulele 1	2
MUS 122F	Slack Key Guitar 2	2
MUS 122Z	'ukulele 2	2
MUS 130F	Slack Key Guitar Ensemble	2
MUS 177	Intro to Hawaiian Music	3
MUS 211	Intro to Hawaiian Ensemble	2
OCN 201	Science of the Sea	3
OCN 260	Pacific SuRF Science and Technology	3
OCN 260L	O'ahu SuRF Science and Technology Lab	1
PACS 108	Pacific Worlds: an Introduction to Pacific Islands Studies	3

POLS 180	Introduction to Hawaiian Politics	3
REL 205	Understanding Hawaiian Religion	3
REL 217	Understanding Polynesian Religions	3
SCI 210	Polynesian Voyaging: Seamanship and Stewardship	3
SCI 210L	Polynesian Voyaging: Seamanship and Stewardship Lab	1
ZOOL 105	Hawaiian Use of Fish and Aquatic Invertebrates	3