

Hawai'i Community College Alumni & 'Ohana

Alumni of the Year Award

For many, the road to lifetime achievement started at Hawai'i Community College. The Hawai'i CC Alumni & 'Ohana established the Alumni of the Year Award in 2017. This prestigious award recognizes Hawai'i Community College alumni and former students for their academic achievements, contributions and impact in their profession or vocation and/or in their service to Hawai'i CC and/or community.

Nominations for the academic year maybe be considered based upon campus priorities/themes for that year. The Hawai'i CC Alumni & 'Ohana President and the Chancellor will meet at the start of every fall semester to discuss the thematic direction for the academic year, ensuring timely and relevant connection between alumni and the campus.

The Alumni Advancement Committee (Hawai'i CC Alumni & 'Ohana president, campus Chancellor, External Affairs/Relations Coordinator, and UHF Alumni Relations representative) will meet to map out plans for communicating the recognition effort to system-wide alumni and community stakeholders.

Previous recipients of the Alumni of the Year Award:

- 2017--Harold Nishimura
- 2018--Lacy Deniz

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for nomination, the candidate must:

- Be a graduate or former student of Hawai'i Community College.
- Be present to accept the award.
- Be a person of such integrity that the College will take pride in his or her recognition.

How to Nominate

Anyone may nominate a Hawai'i Community College alumna/us or former student for this award by completing a nomination form. Self-nominations are also welcome. Any one individual can receive the Alumni of the Year Award only once a lifetime. Please note that nominees remain nominated for three (3) years after the receipt of their nomination.

[Alumni of the Year Award Nomination Form](#)

The Selection Process

Following receipt of a completed nomination form and required attachments, the Alumni of the Year Award Committee (volunteers from the Alumni & 'Ohana Board) in consultation with the Chancellor will select the recipient based upon a scoring system.

Activities/Recognition

1. Host featured alumni at one event each year – give recognition certificate (e.g. Model Home Alumni Reunion, Harold Nishimura)
2. Commencement recognition on platform - plaque
3. Community awareness at Hawai'i CC Day, in local chamber newsletters and other outreach vehicles
4. Push out via strategic PR / Media placement opportunities (web, print, social, broadcast media – locally and Oahu) as our 2018 Alum of the Year. Promote via Hawai'i CC Alumni & 'Ohana website, UHalumni.org website and system-wide alumni social media vehicles.

For More Information

For more information on the Hawai'i CC Alumni of the Year Award, contact our Alumni & 'Ohana President, Colby Koreyasu, at ckore@hawaii.edu or Nico Verissimo, Director of Alumni Engagement - Hawaii Island, nico.verissimo@uhfoundation.org.