



## 2021 Hau'oli Mau Loa Foundation – Graduate Assistantship Opportunity

### Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Management

Hau'oli Mau Loa Foundation ([www.hauolimauloa.org](http://www.hauolimauloa.org)) and the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Management (NREM) (<https://cms.ctahr.hawaii.edu/nrem/>) at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (UHM) are pleased to announce **three graduate assistantships for local students dedicated to careers in mālama 'āina based fields in Hawai'i**. Each assistantship comes with generous support for two years (2<sup>nd</sup> year pending satisfactory academic performance), including a Graduate Assistantship salary (\$22,140/year plus fringe benefits), full tuition, and \$5,000 in professional development funds (books, fees, travel to local and national conferences, supplies, etc.).

**The overall goal of the Hau'oli Mau Loa graduate assistantships is to develop the next generation of natural resource management leaders in Hawai'i.** The following eligibility criteria apply: (i) good academic standing (minimum GPA of 3.0 prior to and throughout the assistantship); (ii) from Hawai'i, as evidenced by graduating from a Hawai'i high school; (iii) pursuing a MEM degree in NREM; (iv) track record of supporting Hawai'i's environment (e.g., internships, volunteer opportunities, etc.) and serving in a leadership capacity (academic, athletic, extracurricular, and/or professional); and (v) commitment to pursuing and attaining a long-term career in natural resource management in Hawai'i.

#### Application Details:

- (1) If you are not currently an NREM graduate student, you **must apply to the [MEM program](https://cms.ctahr.hawaii.edu/nrem/Graduate/NREM-Masters-Degrees/MEM)** (<https://cms.ctahr.hawaii.edu/nrem/Graduate/NREM-Masters-Degrees/MEM>) by submitting: (i) all required application materials (Note: some application materials should be sent directly to the UHM Graduate Admissions Office and others directly to NREM, also **GRE is NOT required this year**); and (ii) **submit** an additional essay (2 pages, single spaced) **clearly describing how you do/do not meet all eligibility criteria listed above** (send essay to [mehana@hawaii.edu](mailto:mehana@hawaii.edu), cc [nrem1@hawaii.edu](mailto:nrem1@hawaii.edu). Write **"HML Assistantship Application"** in the subject line). **Please submit ALL materials by January 1, 2021 (MEM deadline extended).**
- (2) Current NREM graduate students are eligible to apply if they will have completed <10 credit hours as of August 1, 2021. To apply, **submit by January 1, 2021**: (i) the additional essay described above; (ii) a letter of recommendation from your advisor; and (iii) transcripts (all in a single email to [mehana@hawaii.edu](mailto:mehana@hawaii.edu), cc [nrem1@hawaii.edu](mailto:nrem1@hawaii.edu) with **"HML Assistantship Application"** in the subject line).

**Successful applicants will begin MEM graduate program in NREM in August 2021.** Application review will begin on January 1, 2021. Please contact Dr. Mehana Vaughan [mehana@hawaii.edu](mailto:mehana@hawaii.edu) with questions.

