Leeward CC Strategic Plan 2015-2021

Hawai'i Graduation Initiative

Increasing enrollment and completion rates while reducing time to completion

Objectives:

- Accelerate time to "college-ready" status for students at one or two levels below the collegeready standard
- Establish clear structured pathways for each degree for both full-time and part-time students
- Institutionalize Open Educational Resources (OER) as campus wide initiative to reduce or eliminate cost of textbooks for students
- Continue to serve populations in geographic regions with large Native Hawaiian populations
- Eliminate achievement gaps for target populations Pell recipients, Pacific Islanders, Native Hawaiians, Filipino in enrollment, graduation, STEM degrees and transfer
- Collaborate and discuss with Na 'Ewa Council and appropriate Native Hawaiian representatives regarding the recommendations from Hawaiii Papa O Ke Ao
- Continue services that support the achievement of the UHCC Performance Funding targets listed below

Performance Funding

The metrics and associated weights for performance funding include:

Graduates (Associate Degrees & CAs)	35%
Native Hawaiian Graduates (Associate Degrees & CAs)	10%
STEM Graduates (UHCC Associate Degrees and CAs + UH STEM	10%
baccalaureate graduates)	
PELL Graduates (Associate Degrees & CAs)	10%
Annual Transfers to Baccalaureate Colleges	35%

Increase Enrollment of Target Populations

Increasing enrollment and year-to-year retention of recent high school graduates, high school non-completers and GED recipients, Pacific Islanders, working adults, and international students

Objectives:

- Continue dual credit enrollment programs such as Early College, Jump Start, & Running Start
- Coordinate programs with the DOE Adult Schools to align education and GED preparation courses with community college curricula
- Develop outreach programs to the Pacific Islander communities and related agencies
- Provide support for programs that target working adults and fully implement the Prior Learning Assessment techniques
- Implement the communication plan collaboratively created by UHCC Integrated Communications Task Force to connect and inform students in a more efficient manner
- Continue to develop and expand programs that recruit and serve international students

Hawai'i Innovation Initiative

Developing and delivering programs and training needed for a qualified workforce in existing and emerging careers

Objectives:

- Increase access to STEM programs and provide distance and hybrid education opportunities in STEM education
- Create specific pathways into baccalaureate programs in data science and cybersecurity, biotechnology, engineering, physical sciences, and other demand fields using meta majors
- Increase credit and noncredit programs to prepare students for high-wage, high-demand jobs
- Identify new programs and opportunities that align with the community needs and workforce demands

Modern Teaching and Learning Environments

Ensuring that students and faculty have the learning and teaching environments appropriate for the 21st century and the sustainability practices to maintain those environments

Objectives:

- Continue to execute energy reduction strategies and sustainability programs
- Enhance facilities with appropriate technology and ensure all facilities support 21st century learning and teaching environments
- Develop a professional development and certification program for online instructors to master online teaching techniques and share best practices
- Develop professional development programs to encourage innovative practices for faculty and staff including the opportunity to experiment and test various teaching strategies to enhance student success

High Performance System of Higher Education

Providing students with smooth transitions from K-12 through the community colleges to the baccalaureate institutions in a cost-effective manner

Objectives:

- Deploy STAR as the student registration interface as an engine to manage guided student pathways
- Develop services and information for students for use on mobile devices
- Expand partnerships with area high schools to continue to align programs with DOE pathways with the community college
- Expand partnerships with community organizations and employers in the local area