Lunalilo Scholars Program Referral Form
2019 - 2020

Mission
The Lunalilo Scholars Program at Kapi‘olani Community College is a unique program whose mission is to provide opportunities for transformative college experiences for students who have not considered higher education as a viable alternative because of financial or other barriers limiting college access. Through scholarship, academic and personal support and a sense of community, students will build a foundation for success in the first year of college as measured by student engagement, learning, and achievement.

If accepted into this program, students are eligible to receive up to 12 credits of tuition assistance, as well as, assistance with fees, textbooks and supplies, along with many other types of support and access to campus services.

For help in completing this form, or for more information about this program, you can contact us by email at lunalilo@hawaii.edu, or if you would like to speak to someone you can contact, LaVache Scanlan, Director of the Lunalilo Scholars Program at (808) 734-9371.

Mail this form to:
Kapi‘olani Community College
c/o LaVache Scanlan, Lunalilo Scholars Program
4303 Diamond Head Road, ‘Ilima 205
Honolulu, HI 96816

To submit this form online instead, go to:

If you do not receive an email response acknowledging your completion of this referral form, please contact us immediately. There could have been an error in submitting your form.

Note to Referrer
Every application for the Lunalilo Scholars Program MUST be accompanied by a referral. Examples of a Referrer are teachers, counselors, coaches, social workers, advocated, pastors or mentors. Referrals cannot be from parents or relatives.

By submitting the following referral, you are helping our committee determine the applicant’s eligibility for the program. Thank you for taking the time to complete this referral form on the applicant’s behalf. If a referral form is not submitted on the applicant’s behalf, his/her application will NOT be considered. Applications without a referral are considered incomplete and will NOT be reviewed.

If the applicant is awarded this scholarship, he/she is REQUIRED to attend a 2-hour Program Orientation and a 7-day Summer Bridge Program (3 college credits) from 8:00am - 4:30pm daily (except weekends). Applicants will be able to select his/her top four choices of Summer Bridge Dates. Applicants will also be required to attend a mandatory Math & English Brush-Up Workshop from July 30 – August 2, 2019 (dependent on placement). Failure to complete requirements will deem the applicant ineligible and affect future awards.

Students accepted into this program must be a 2019 high school graduate OR have a high school diploma OR have a GED by December 2019 (the Lunalilo Program can support attainment of GED while in the program).

Students accepted into this program must be a state resident as determined by the University of Hawai‘i System Application Form. Applicants DO NOT need to be accepted to Kapi‘olani Community College before submitting this application or to be accepted into this program, however he/she MUST be accepted to Kapi‘olani Community College for the 2019 - 2020 academic year before the Summer Bridge Program begins.

In order to receive this scholarship, applicants must be attending Kapi‘olani Community College and also be living on ‘Oahu for the 2019-2020 Academic Year. Students cannot commute from the neighbor islands and/or take all classes online with this scholarship.
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Priority Deadline
Complete applications (application and referral form) that are received by April 15, 2019 will be reviewed first.

Deadline
Online applications can be submitted until 11:59pm on Friday, May 17, 2019. Paper applications must be postmarked by Friday, May 17, 2019 to be considered. Online referral forms can be submitted until 11:59pm on Tuesday, May 21, 2019. Paper referral forms must be postmarked by Friday, May 17, 2019 to be considered.

Applications submitted after the deadline may be considered for the wait list. A second round of applications may be considered if there is not a sufficient number of 1st round applicants. Applications submitted without referral forms will NOT be considered.

Applicants will be notified of the status of their application by May 31, 2019.

All questions are required. There are no right or wrong answers to the questions, so please answer them truthfully and to the best of your ability.
*Please print legibly

Applicant Information

Name of Applicant: ____________________________________________

Last, First, Middle

Previous Names Used by the Applicant (Maiden name, etc.): ______________

Referrer Information

Name of Referrer: ____________________________________________

Last, First, Middle

Affiliate Organization: ____________________________________________

Contact Phone Number: ________________________________

Email: ____________________________________________

Relationship to the applicant (counselor, pastor, teacher, etc.): ______________

How long have you known the applicant? ______________

Check all of the following that apply to the applicant:

☐ Currently taking college-preparatory classes in high school.
☐ Previously attended a college or university.
☐ Applied to UH-Manoa.
☐ Applied to another UH Community College, other than Kapi‘olani.
☐ Applied to other colleges or universities.
☐ None of the above.
Questions About Applicant's Potential and Need for the Program: Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability. This program is geared for students with life challenges that make it difficult to attend college. Therefore, the information we are trying to acquire about the applicant is not what would typically be found in letters of recommendation for other scholarships. It is also information that sometimes the applicant may have difficulty sharing or may not think to share. The referral form is heavily weighted in our review process and the answers to these questions help us to better understand the applicant’s needs. You may write in the space provided and/or attach an additional sheet.

Why do you think the applicant should attend college? How will college help this student? What are the applicant's goals for the future or what do you think is the applicant's potential? (Please be as specific as possible)

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What barriers or challenges have prevented or will prevent the applicant from attending college or make it difficult for the applicant to attend college? Please be as specific as possible. It will not hurt the applicant if you are candid about the barriers or challenges he or she faces. Your response helps the committee determine which applicants are most in need of the program.

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I agree that the information I have provided in this form is correct:

Signature: ___________________________________________  Date: _________________