I would not be where I am today without the College Opportunities Program. I was able to accomplish so much at UH Mānoa because of the guidance and support from COP staff and COP Family. I am so glad I applied to this program because I honestly would have been so lost without it.

Hazel Asperin, COP 2010
Pearl City High School
Nursing Major

COP has given me the chance to better my future by providing me with an opportunity to be admitted into UH Mānoa. I am thankful for the counseling and support system they provide and because of COP I will continue to work toward my degree.

Kawai Moss, COP 2013
Kohala High School
Hawaiian Studies Major

COP has provided the skills, knowledge, and tools to have a successful freshman year. I am grateful for all that COP has done for me and will keep striving for success.

Pono Akau, COP 2015
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UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI‘I AT MĀNOA

2016 SUMMER RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE EXPERIENCE
JULY 3, 2016 — AUGUST 12, 2016
WHAT IS COP?

The College Opportunities Program (COP) is an intensive six-week summer academic and residential program geared toward preparing academically at-risk individuals for a successful freshman year at the UHM. Selected participants live on-campus and enroll in classes designed to upgrade academic and social skills. Participants receive free room and board, textbooks, and paid instructional expenses. Upon successful completion of the summer program, participants gain admission to the UHM in the fall semester and advance to COP’s First-Year Academic Program.

The COP First-Year Academic Program requires all students to live on-campus, enroll in classes on a full-time basis, and be financially responsible for all of their college-related expenses. Students attend pre-scheduled group meetings and meet one-on-one with their COP advisors throughout the first year. “One-stop advising” enables all students to deal with registration, career planning and exploration, financial aid, housing, and on-campus employment issues at the COP office.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Individuals who meet the following criteria are eligible to apply:

1. Be a bona fide Hawai‘i resident and U.S. citizen, national, or person holding a permanent visa.
2. A high school graduate or senior graduating during the 2015-16 school year.
3. A cumulative high school GPA of 2.00 at the time of application.

Everyone who meets the criteria to the left is encouraged to apply; however, primary consideration will be given to applicants who meet the following:

1. Lack the minimum requirements to gain admission to UHM.
2. Intend to enroll as a full-time student at UH Mānoa.
3. Able to demonstrate eligibility for need-based funding as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
4. Be the first person in their family to attend a university.

HOW TO APPLY

To be considered for the COP 2016 program, please complete the following:

1. Apply to COP by completing the online application at www.hawaii.edu/cop no later than Thursday, January 7, 2016

2. Submit the COP 2016 Application Checklist with the following attachments in one packet no later than Friday, January 15, 2016.
   - Official high school transcript including first semester grades
   - SAT and/or ACT Scores
   - Signed Certification Form
   - Two (2) COP Recommendation forms

Eligible applicants will be scheduled for testing and interviews. Final selections will be made no later than March 2016.