



Hawai`i *Writing* Project



“Supporting local literacy leadership”

USING WRITING & TECHNOLOGY IN PLACE-BASED INQUIRY

OAHU — JULY 6TH THROUGH JULY 17TH 2009

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Friday

A few follow-up sessions will be scheduled during the 2009-2010 school year

Location: UHM, College of Education

Co-Facilitators: Rhonda Nowak and Debbie Kojima

Cost: \$50 donation to HWP *

Hawaii enjoys rich diversity in its cultures, languages, and ecosystems; yet, too often our classroom curriculum and instruction does not reflect a strong sense of this beautiful and complex place we live in. Have you ever found yourself wondering how teachers can:

- Integrate local places, people, and issues into the classroom curriculum?
- Support students in thinking more deeply about important topics?
- Make research engaging for students?
- Teach students how to critically evaluate a variety of informational sources?
- Use writing and technology in meaningful ways across the curriculum?

Come join us as we read, write, and use technology together so we might better understand and teach about life in Hawaii through a place-based inquiry approach.

During the two-week institute, we'll explore principles and practices of place-conscious education, inquiry, and critical literacy. We'll read professional literature and share ideas with colleagues in response groups. We'll observe, teach, and discuss inquiry lessons. We'll write and use a variety of multi-media in design workshops. And we'll select a topic for further inquiry in our own classrooms.

* Teachers can earn DOE professional development credits and/or 3 graduate credits (EDCS 640-M) through Outreach College at UHM. Teachers who wish to earn graduate degree credits will pay a \$124 College Administrative Fee. The fee does not include graduate tuition at UHM. Full or partial graduate tuition support is available from HWP for teachers enrolled in a graduate program at UHM-COE.

If you have any questions about the institute, please contact Rhonda Nowak, HWP Director, at rnolak@hawaii.edu or 808-956-5359.