



## Spring 2019 - Campus Updates

Kapi'olani Community College approved through Faculty Senate and with the approval of Chancellor Pagotto, the following policy changes:

### **Dual Enrollment and Upper Division Coursework:**

*Effective fall 2019 – Students who are accepted into a dual admissions/enrollment program with Kapi'olani Community partner institutions will be allowed to use upper division courses (numbered 300 or higher under the UH System's course numbering system) to fulfill their Kapi'olani Community College degree requirements. The upper division courses refer to courses completed at the partner institution while the student's home institution is Kapi'olani Community College.*

Implications of change:

- Able to keep students on track with UHM degree plan template
- Able to graduate students who start to take upper division courses in their 2<sup>nd</sup> year of college
- Able to count upper division courses for VA educational benefits
- Able to fund upper division courses through financial aid at KapCC

### **Career Technical Credits allowed for Graduation in the AA-Liberal Arts, AA-Hawaiian Studies Degrees**

*Career Technical Education (CTE) credits may be used as electives for the AA – Liberal Arts degree and the AA – Hawaiian Studies degrees, providing the CTE course has at least one course outcome that addresses at least one General Education or other AA program learning outcome.*

Implications of change:

- Able to use CTE credits towards the two AA degrees will allow us to graduate a greater number of students and allow many students to graduate faster.
- This change is in alignment with how our UH 4-year campuses interpret the use of CTE credits.

### **Associate in Science – Respiratory Care Practitioner (Distance Education Option)**

The Respiratory Care program now offers students from neighbor islands the opportunity to complete most of the associate degree in respiratory care requirements online with clinical practice done at local hospitals and other health care organizations on the neighbor islands. Students will need to come to Oahu for an initial orientation session and final program exam preparation as well as a few required events such as the annual professional society meeting.



The coursework for lecture and lab will be delivered to students using the Laulima Learning Management system. Clinical rotations at neighbor island hospitals will be arranged to meet the Respiratory Therapy department schedule availability of their clinical instructors. Students will be expected to complete most of their clinical practice hours at the hospitals on their home island. However, there is a possibility, based on patient census and available resources that students may need to complete some clinical rotations on Oahu.

All prerequisites needed for application to the program can be completed at any other UHCC campus, or other college/university. The application process and deadlines will be the same for neighbor island students that apply for the program as distance education students.

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### **Certificate of Competence EMT – NREMT: Hawaii EMT Transition Program**

New program offered for students that already possess active NREMT EMT Certification, but need State Certification.

### **Employment Prep Center (EPC)**

Su Lazo, NCC, started working at the Employment Prep Center as a Student Support Specialist in June 2018. She is currently participating in the NCDA Facilitator training (with Lisa Yrizarry and Keahou Mitchell) promoted by the Integrated Student Support (ISS) Career Sub-group.

UHCC is also rolling out a \*new and improved\* UHCC Job Center Online (JCO) this Spring!