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TUITION WAIVER PROGRAM 2004-2005

SECTION 3, ACT 161, SLH 1995
HRS 304-16.5

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REPORT ON TUITION WAIVERS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII

Section 3, Act 161, SLH 1995, HRS 304-16.5, and Chapter 6-4 of the Board of Regents Bylaws and Policies require the University to submit an annual report on assistance provided to students through the tuition waiver program. This report is for the 2004-2005 year at all campuses of the University of Hawai'i.

The current tuition waiver program is consistent with amendments to University of Hawai'i administrative rules on tuition waivers approved by the Board in 1998. The amendments were approved to implement Act 161 (1995) and Act 237 (1996) which provided authority to the Board to grant, modify and suspend previous legislatively mandated tuition waivers as well as to establish new ones.

In March 1997, the Board of Regents approved a Tuition Assistance Plan effective Fall 1997 that provided the following tuition waivers:

- 1) **General Waivers.** The purpose of General Waivers is to provide access to higher education by Hawai'i residents; to attract and retain academically superior Hawai'i students; and to develop student diversity. A maximum number of 13% of the previous fall semester's full-time equivalent enrollment at each campus may be awarded in General Tuition Waivers.

Need-Based. A minimum of 70% of the General Tuition Waivers must be awarded on the basis of financial need. 250 of the need based tuition waivers are reserved for needy Hawaiian students. (Note: Hawaiians are eligible and receive assistance through all tuition waiver categories)

Merit/Service. Up to 30% of the General Tuition Waivers may be awarded based on merit or service criteria

- 2) **Pacific Asian Scholarships (PAS).** The purpose of the PAS is to attract and retain well-qualified students from the Pacific/Asian region or students pursuing studies important to the Pacific/Asian region. Up to 2% of the previous fall semester's full-time equivalent enrollment may be awarded as Pacific Asian Scholarships.

- 3) **Categorical Waivers**

- a) UH Employees. Per collective bargaining agreement and BOR Policy 6-4-3.1, faculty and staff who are employed at least half-time, are exempt from tuition and fees for not more than six credits per regular semesters.
- b) Faculty Spouse/Domestic Partner. The 2003 faculty (Unit 7) collective bargaining agreement extended eligibility for tuition waivers to faculty spouse or

domestic partner. Faculty spouses or domestic partners are exempt from tuition and fees for not more than six credits per regular semester.

- c) Graduate Assistants. Per HRS 304-12.4 and BOR Policy 6-43.2, graduate assistants are exempt from full or partial tuition charges based on their FTE appointment level.

4) **Other**. A number of tuition waivers are available for: a) Regents and Presidential Scholars; b) intercollegiate athletes; c) band members, d) commitments of tuition waivers through agreements with other institutions. No tuition waivers were awarded under the Hawai'i Opportunity Program in Education. 9-11 Tuition waivers are no longer awarded as this program has lapsed.

In 2004-2005, \$20,356,119 in tuition assistance was provided. (see Table on Dollar Value of Tuition Waiver). A total of 8,840 students systemwide received full or partial waivers of tuition charges (see Table on Number of Tuition Waiver Recipients). Tuition waivers are heavily utilized at all University of Hawai'i campuses.

In 2004-2005, an additional \$26.4M of tuition was waived for non-residents in the following categories: East-West Center grantees, faculty/staff, institutional agreements, military, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Asian study, student exchange, and the Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE). Tuition revenues from these students was \$18.8M.

The University is currently reviewing existing policies and procedures that relate to the Tuition Assistance Program and tuition rates. When completed, the comprehensive Executive Policy and amendments to Chapter 6 of the Board of Regents Policy will incorporate changes recommended by an audit by Price Waterhouse Coopers; Act 161 (1995); Act 237 (1996); HAR 20-6 (1998); and applicable federal regulations which affect the UH Tuition Assistance Program.

**DOLLAR VALUE OF TUITION
WAIVER 2004-2005**

	MAN	HIL	WOA	HAW	HON	KAP	KAU	LEE	MAU	WIN	TOTAL
GENERAL											
*Needy Hawaiians	448,013	34,453	4,914	9,071	13,252	34,945	4,183	27,990	18,307	10,434	605,562
Other Needy	2,903,805	493,551	102,787	111,719	205,564	331,715	64,484	241,192	169,906	101,698	4,726,419
MERIT	2,167,413	302,944	10,101	13,701	60,959	36,331	18,468	36,566	1,081	8,625	2,656,187
REG/PRES	304,022	13,332	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	317,354
ATHLETIC	2,168,637	229,433	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,398,069
BAND	601,028	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	601,028
INST AGREEMENTS	252,346	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	252,346
PACIFIC ASIAN	1,457,003	133,441	13,104	5,808	2,444	76,704	12,173	15,557	2,350	9,870	1,728,454
OTHER											
Employee	653,215	19,137	10,657	6,877	6,989	15,681	4,448	9,246	8,071	2,756	737,074
Employee Spouse	130,084	15,726	3,309	4,669	498	7,273	301	2,824	698	1,533	166,914
Employee DP	25,124	0	368	0	1,495	944	0	0	0	0	27,931
Grad Assistants	6,059,326	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,059,326
SUMMER SESSION	46,252	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	46,252
EXTENSION	1,704	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,704
UG NURSING CLINICAL											
	31,500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31,500
Total	17,249,472	1,242,016	145,239	151,844	291,200	503,592	104,056	333,374	200,413	134,915	20,356,119

**Number of Tuition Waiver
Recipients 2004-2005**

	MAN	HIL	WOA	HAW	HON	KAP	KAU	LEE	MAU	WIN	Total
GENERAL											
*Needy Hawaiians	137	18	3	17	17	55	5	35	21	11	319
Other Needy	1,141	310	68	135	301	506	92	387	205	131	3,276
MERIT	845	140	7	14	64	66	19	52	2	9	1,218
REG/PRES	95	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	101
ATHLETIC	362	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	405
BAND	278	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	278
INST AGREEMENTS	78	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	78
PACIFIC ASIAN	375	61	6	1	3	83	13	19	2	11	574
OTHER											
Employee	563	25	11	25	22	43	16	24	20	11	760
Employee Spouse	85	20	3	7	2	18	1	7	3	4	150
Employee DP	8	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	12
Grad Assistants	1,527	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,527
SUMMER SESSION	94	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	94
EXTENSION	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
UG NURSING CLINICAL											
	46	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	46
Total	5,636	623	98	200	410	773	146	524	253	177	8,840

* Native Hawaiians are eligible and receive assistance in all tuition waiver categories.

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