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Appendix

UHS STRATEGIC PLAN 2023 – 2029 GENERAL SURVEY RESULTS

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APPENDIX A: SURVEY INSTRUMENT

SMS HAWAI'I: UH SURVEY

INTRO

The State of Hawai'i has gone through much change since the start of the global pandemic. Many feel that Hawai'i must be more sustainable, resilient, and equitable if it is to emerge from this pandemic globally competitive. But Hawai'i will succeed in this mission only if its higher education system can also pivot to support this new future. As such, the University of Hawai'i seeks your input in developing a new Strategic Plan 2023-2029 to guide the institution in the right direction.

On behalf of the University of Hawai'i, SMS Research, a Honolulu-based survey research company, is conducting this public opinion survey. Results of the survey will be reported in aggregate and all responses are confidential. Please complete it to the best of your knowledge.

AFFILIATION

What is your affiliation (if any) with any of the 10 campuses of the University of Hawai'i (UH)? (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

I am a former student.....	72%
I am a parent of a past or current UH student.....	21%
I am a former employee of UH.....	18%
I employ UH graduates	7%
I am a donor to UH.....	21%
I attend UH sporting or other UH events.....	26%
I am a current student or current employee	18%
I have no direct personal relationship to UH	7%
Other (please specify):	5%

PRIORITIES

What should UH campuses' top priorities be to best serve Hawai'i? Please rank the importance of these priorities for the University over the next six years with rank 1 being the most important:*

- Provide the scientific and intellectual capacity to address Hawai'i's problems and opportunities, particularly around sustainability, energy, and climate resilience 3.11
- Educate and train Hawai'i residents for Hawai'i's jobs 3.14
- Drive economic diversification and development across the islands through research, innovation, entrepreneurship, and technology 3.21
- Increase the number of Hawai'i residents who have education/training beyond a High School diploma, targeting those who have been under-represented..... 3.38
- Increase access to more programs for students and communities throughout the state 3.57
- Sustain and support Hawaiian language, culture and people..... 4.58

OTHER PRIORITIES

Are there any other top priorities?

Yes	35%
No	45%
Prefer not to answer	20%

OTHER PRIORITIES

Other top priorities, please specify:

STATEMENTS

Please mark which of the following statements is closest to what you think, even if neither one is exactly right:*

A college education is a smart investment in the future.	52%	32%	11%	5%	A college education is more of a gamble that may not pay off in the end.

RECOMMEND

Would you recommend attending any of the 10 UH campuses to a family member?*

Yes86%
No7%
Prefer not to answer7%

IF RECOMMEND IS YES

Why do you recommend UH?

IF RECOMMEND IS NO

Why do you not recommend UH?

FUTURE

What is one thing you'd like UH to do in the future?

OCCUPATION

What is your primary occupation?

Agriculture, forestry and fishery workers1%
Armed forces occupations1%
Clerks, clerical occupations2%
Craft, trade, plant & machine operations2%
Homemaker2%
Managers5%
Professionals: science, engineering, health, education, business, legal, computer, technology51%
Services and sales occupations5%
Retired24%
Student2%
Other (please specify):2%
Prefer not to answer4%

RESIDENT

Are you a resident of Hawai'i?

Yes96%
No, another state (please specify):4%
No, another country (please specify):0%

ZIP CODE

What is your zip code? (Recoded to islands)

O'ahu71%
Maui5%
Hawai'i19%
Kaua'i4%
Moloka'i0%
Lāna'i0%
Unknown1%

LIVED HAWAII

How many years have you lived in Hawai'i?

My entire life43%
Less than one year0%
1 to 9 years7%
10 to 19 years8%
20 to 29 years9%
30+ years32%
Prefer not to answer1%

AGE

What is your age?

Under 180%
18 – 242%
25 – 349%
35 – 4414%
45 – 5418%
55 – 6420%
65 – 7424%
75+9%
Prefer not to answer4%

THANK YOU!

Thank you for your time completing this survey.
Your opinions matter and will help the University of Hawai'i develop a new strategic plan 2023-2029.
Mahalo.

APPENDIX B: RESPONSES

Other Priorities

Note: does not include responses that were classified as equivalent to the six top priorities

Outreach to international institutions. Cross discipline.
Increase Hawaii's importance to the World Stage by building the TMT. Just rename it the King David Kalakaua Telescope.
Promote Hawaii's unique location and specialty areas in Indo-Pacific languages, and Asia Pacific studies, in addition to its current reputation in the sciences.
Recruit the best and brightest from around the world to work at UH.
Becoming a leader as a diverse learning institution in globally minded thinking, and creating top opportunities for research across disciplines.
Increase foreign student headcount for further injection of capital and talent.
Inculcate in the entire university community that UH as both a public university and land-grant university should spread and conduct its research and activities for the benefit of the state, the U.S., and the world.
Make sure UH is recognized globally as a reputable institution for higher education
To diversify the perception of Hawaii with a goal being an international recognition of Hawaii as a center of learning.
Increase the number of foreign students who attend UH to get a degree
Asia and Pacific issues should be a top priority, not Hawaiian Language.
To expose Hawaii residents to students from other states, countries and cultures
Reach out to other island groups in the Pacific. UH should strive to be the 'go to' higher education institution for Pacific Islanders; especially at the post-graduate level. Expand UH's presence in Pacific Rim nations. Collaborate with the East-West Center to bring diverse groups and their ideas together for a stronger more resilient Pacific.
Hawaii needs to also work with Asian countries in developing and promoting economic growth.
International partnerships and educational opportunities for Hawaii students.
The twenty-first century will continue global cooperation & interaction. All priorities seem insular, not international, a bad reputation that UH system continues to maintain. Attracting students and researchers, innovation from Asia is important. Most priorities seem community college based, NOT multi level University system based. Reach higher and broader than Hawaiian Islands.
Attract international talent to help diversify, improve and promote departments across the university.
I would like UH to be one of the best Universities in the World. I think that would serve Hawaii the best.
Lead Pacific Island nations in innovation, sustainability, climate change mitigation. Connect with Asian nations to collaborate on innovation, sustainability, climate change mitigation.
Major focus on areas of study unique to UH's location & strengths: Asia-Pacific studies, oceanography, geo-thermal energy, astronomy, tropical medicine and agriculture.
Support construction of NASED, including a vibrant entertainment district. Consider playing other sports at the new facility besides football.
Expand the Ching Complex stadium to meet minimum NCAA requirement, not just seating, but also locker rooms, restrooms, and concessions. Improve parking and traffic flow before and after on game days and special events such as graduation
Athletics
Need Community College sports programs to keep students in Hawaii. The team I coached in high school had every athlete for 4 years go to the mainland to play and get a cc education. Multiply that by each sports team and again by high schools and you have massive amounts of tuition lost each year and loss of culture to the mainland.
Make Manoa a True residential campus to encourage greater engagement in the academic space. Expand Manoa campus property And reduce vehicle traffic on campus. Keep sports on campus including football. Invest in facilities improvements and keep state employees accountable for their individual performance.
Support UH Athletics and the new stadium.
New stadium ASAP
Support UH Athletic Programs, especially football, which generates publicity & pride for Hawaii and also opportunity for local athletes. Proper management and On Campus Stadium can potentially generate revenue for all UH sports.
Support scholar-athletes to enable them to prepare for professional athletic careers if desired.
UH Athletics - need to stay division 1, keep local kids at home, stable funding/revenue stream/s, stadium near Manoa campus?
Keep best athletes in Hawaii representing our state on the biggest college stages. More funds
Athletics
Provide athletic and cultural outlets for students and the community

increase support for the revenue producing athletic programs to enhance both revenue and non-revenue athletic opportunities.
Football needs to a top priority for UH. It drives available resources for other UH sports programs that are not able to be self-sufficient. UH leadership seems to be more supportive today and need to encourage legislature knowledge as to importance of a championship team. A statistical plan and report need to be in place and updated always; to provide the legislature much needed information at any given notice. UH must be able to convince our elected officials as to how other programs justify the increased spending and how the counties benefit from football programs.
Complete the stadium build up ONLY as planned and support a real stadium (and entertainment/cultural center) build up in place of Aloha Stadium
Athletics is a big part of the college educational process. UH has been quickly falling behind in regards to facilities and the amount of backing from that powers that be that allows the University to continue to be competing within their conference(s). With conference realignment, the state and University need to keep up with the rest of the nation or get left behind 'again.'
Fund UH athletics - they've shown to be able to build world class programs like volleyball, surfing, and sailing; fund football and basketball fully - for the greatest bunch of fans in the world.
Provide access to affordable education.
Access through free tuition for residents and native Hawaiian students.
Affordability. School, housing, 'required' materials such as lab coats, textbooks, etc. I think we should cater more to Hawaii grown students. Not just pricing wise but other resources as well. Expanding types and amounts of courses could influence those who grew up in the state want to stay home for university/college rather than moving away for it.
Making education more affordable
Make college affordable. Revamp programs for 2025 and beyond marketplace. Increase hiring faculty and staff on campuses beyond Oahu
Provide affordable education!
LOWER THE COST OF LIVING
Lower tuition cost for residents.
- provision of financial aid along w/ college readiness at no cost to students to increase success & graduation rates - streamline training to meet the needs of employers (i.e., 'ladder', short-term training to allow students to learn & work and move up in their chosen field)
Making education affordable for everyone
Make it affordable for Hawaii residents to attend college and have more technical education (community college education)
Keep tuition affordable for Hawaii residences
Make education affordable to more students.
Affordability of education Relevancy and practical skills
Make education affordable for residents
Lower tuition
Affordable Parking for outer island programs post grad
Free education for locals
Make education affordable. Free community college for residents. Improve school infrastructure and housing. Dental, PT, and other schools.
Provide more scholarships for underfunded students.
Need more financial support for UH Athletic.
Affordability
Affordable education and tuition relief for disabled persons. Disabled Hawai'i residence cannot afford to secure an education with your tuition prices, parking fees, and reduced capacity to work/attain income.
Provide more full ride scholarships for the Arts. Review tuition vs quality of education received, tuition may reflect existing education quality. Develop a world class Agriculture research program.
Keep tuition affordable without decreasing the quality of the quality of the education provided. to raise this money, I say we should increase the GET but not for essentials like food and meds (drugs & services). I went to grad school in Chicago after UH, tax there was 8% on all items except food, drugs and medical services.
Keep education affordable for Hawaii's residents. More vocational training at community colleges.
Affordable education. Model sustainability (e.g., renewable energy source of power, recycle/reuse of non-sensitive material/books/paper, community garden, etc.)
Why is it cheaper for a local person to attend a state school in another state? UH is not even competitive for Hawaii residents
due to UH barriers my son was not able to graduate from UH and now has so much student debt. UH needs to help our local students get an education with minimal student debt. Also UH needs to help past UH students to pay off student debt. Aldo students from the neighbor island need help with housing costs while on Oahu!! stop spending so much money on stupid research and help our local people get educated!!

Economy, tuition prices, class instruction (e.g. in-person and online)
Reduce the out-of-pocket costs to Hawaii residents who attend UH across ALL schools. College should not be just for the rich, and Hawaii is too expensive to carry student loan debt.
Free on campus parking for seniors who enroll in the kupuna program at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, KCC, HCC.
Make higher education more affordable.
Make higher education as affordable as possible for Hawaii residents.
Ensure that local students can afford to attend UH.
Give more financial support and assistance to Student Athletes. Help all students with housing and food throughout the year.
Keep it affordable
Lower tuitions for local students to keep them in Hawaii
Make education more affordable.
Make it easier financially for residents to attend.
Affordable
Provide more opportunities for scholarships and grants for college.
UH should be able to provide more financial opportunities for local Students to attend universities and Community colleges at a lower rate. also to ask the state of Hawaii to compensate University system to provide financial aid in exchange for students to work for the state or counties in areas that have any vacancies for 4 to 5 years.
Affordability for Hawaii children to be able to get an education/degree that makes it possible to live and work in Hawaii.
Provide financial assistance for middle-class families via scholarships and grants.
Affordable quality education for Hawaii residents
Affordable tuition, why is it that HCC is cheaper than UHH. When I went to college in 2008-2010 I was in UHH, HCC had classes with the UHH but the HCC didn't pay the same rate as UHH did. Why is that ?
Lower the cost of attendance. UH's community colleges are very expensive and unattainable for most people. The university's tuition is astronomically high and many students are from out of state. Hawaii needs to prioritize making higher education affordable for it's residents.
UH should provide better incentives for residents to stay in the State and pursue higher education. It doesn't make sense that it costs the same amount of money to attend UH Manoa that a CA college.
Financial aid / scholarship availability
The University could seek donations from the many famous wealthy individuals that live in Hawaii. Having more scholarships for students in undergraduate, graduate and professional schools may attract applicants that opt for a university education on the mainland.
Keep tuition as low as possible for Hawaii residents while trying to improve the quality of education. Develop private/public relationships that help to attain the above goal.
Provide financially accessible higher education opportunities for Hawaii residents. Update aging and failing UH buildings and infrastructure.
More opportunities for local students to receive financial aid for higher education.
Make college more affordable by helping students meet basic needs and pay for expenses beyond tuition and books.
Supporting students financially.
Help local students by lowering tuition for those students who graduated from a Hawaii school or offer more scholarships for those students
Offer funding for residents who want to attend.
Produce a high quality education for students at a price that does not saddle them with debt for life.
affordable college, stronger support programs for ALL students covering things such as but not limited to: childcare, food, technology (Wi-Fi and laptops), transportation, etc.
make education affordable
Cost of education.
Provide social economic diversity among the local ethnic communities scholarships people in Hawaii
Set the goal in early development stages to get an education to make Hawaii livable, a purpose for all to attain. Help all to get an education, it has to be affordable!
1. Build the TMT. 2. Free tuition for residents. 3. Residences for students and new faculty on campuses throughout the system. 4. Advice for entrepreneurs.
Give more scholarship opportunities to mainland students.
Increase out of state tuition to be comparable to western states. Make community colleges free
Provide financial aid for veterans dependent

My top priority is to have higher education more accessible and affordable for our local public youth.
Renovations to facilities, dorms, etc.
University of Hawaii Manoa is a commuter school that doesn't have enough parking. The parking facilities (structures) are in fair to poor condition (they posted a study conducted by Kimley Horn) stating there is 110 million dollars in deferred repairs. Parking should be a priority
More online classes for those who do not live within 30 miles of a campus. Develop more vocational programs, especially in the medical field.
Bring the university to be a fore Runner in technology .. like esport
Expand and combine computer related learning and botany support
Upkeep of campuses and buildings.
Update facilities across the board from dorms to athletics to be more competitive with mainland schools
Retrain the faculty on technology so they can teach modern classes to prepare students for the modern world.
Update buildings & infrastructure. Improve campus appearance
Better online classes, more online options, and semi online/in person classes where students can meet with teacher maybe once a week. University of Hawaii needs to keep up with online resources, which are sorely lacking
Clear the backlog of maintenance and repairs on all campuses.
Modernize facilities at UH Manoa and create a safer campus environment in order to attract top students from abroad and keep top Hawaii students from going elsewhere.
Moving into the digital age, with online classes and online support.
Maintain and upkeep of infrastructure and existing classrooms and laboratories. Help sustain good work habits and competent, work habits.
Expand technology innovation in the classroom by modernizing our campuses to provide distance and hybrid education directly from the campus itself. Courses could then offer in-person and distance education within the same CRN rather than separating them.
Streamline and improve distant learning capabilities to reach remote locations by adding more online classes and programs. The present process is limited and difficult for students and advisors.
Expand programs and facilities at Palamanui
Facilities - repair/fix existing, construct new facilities better able to match the needs of future students
Improve infrastructure and hire additional administrative and business financial staff to support faculty and students. When I send funds to UH to support faculty, students, and research, there is no reason that simple contracting and procurement task should take so long.
parking opportunities
Renovate buildings and state of the art facilities, build a visitor center.
Provide a online/virtual learning system for undergraduate and graduate degrees with worldwide participation. Review the implications of AI upon future needs of the current educational system strategies. Review the need to expand in-class instruction and brick and mortar requirements for the future. .
Effective public transportation for UH students to get around.
Support students? basic needs so they can go to school, complete their education, and close that needs gap.
Keep the Students Health and Welfare safe, No Rapes or other heinous crimes. Protect the Students and Staff within the U.H. system
Make sure students have access to safe and affordable housing, statewide.
More student housing at a large scale.
Make sure women are treated equitably in the classroom, on the playing field, and at the university in general.
Supporting students who may be having trouble navigating financial issues or academic issues.
Encourage more students to experience different cultures through exchange opportunities.
Direct outreach to communities by providing how to apply for FAFSA . to help increase student population. Do not limit to young people only. Take a look at the aging population and what they could contribute. More vocational outreach. We can be creative ask your communities..
Ensure the universities are psychologically safe for students and staff
Provide programs that are achievable in a timely manner. Classes should be set up so students can study to achieve their degrees within 4 - 5 years. Most students now waste their first year with no guidance.
Make sure that teachers as well as advisors are aware of their students status. So many students drop classes cause there is no support.
Support students while enrolled in the University system (ensure graduates are well supported throughout their academic journey, are well educated and prepared for the modern workforce)
Develop the total student and help student deal with mental health issues

Better pay for staff, more support and resources for students and alumni
Provide more on campus housing opportunities for the student body to support learning and retaining students from Hawaii and abroad.
Ensure AFFORDABLE housing is available to all Hawaii residents attending UH. Housing insecurity is by far the biggest issue facing our students. I have spent more than half my education (including currently) as a homeless student, and still have to take on loans for living expenses and student fees every semester, which makes the prospect of finding affordable housing post-higher education even more precarious.
Enhance empathy and understanding of others
Promoting and infusing Individual Mental health and emotional well-being into systems.
Both promote diversity of gender, life style, ethnic background and be open to learning from and attracting faculty and resources from the nation as well as the international community. The great historical land grant universities did not just focus on individual state's populations. Free tuition for mining, agricultural, engineering studies, etc., greatly helped build the economies of the home states but also surrounding states and ultimately the nation as a whole. Just contemplating our own navels holds us back.
Address affordable housing for UH and all communities
Create an opportunity for both young and old to come together by building a Continuing Care Retirement Community on campus. If done properly, there will be a great benefit to all concerned and the University will become the recipient of endowments from the grateful residents housed in the CCRC.
Self sufficiency
Decolonize its systems, processes and policies.
Revamp the way administration is crafted for ALL the campuses. Right now, cronyism and incompetency are rewarded and it creates homeostasis. Just look at HonCC for its tremendous drop in health of programs, the uninviting nature of the campus as a whole, and the lack of faculty and staff morale. The unfortunate hiring of an inept vice chancellor of facilities and the status quo of keeping an ineffective interim chancellor in place alone speaks to the need to remove the top heavy admin structure in place across the system
Ensure the UH system is funded fully and completely in a way that is commensurate to its integral role in the future success of our State and its people
Administrative team and Regents must become strong and vocal advocates for the university given the increasing hostility of many legislators who continually seek to undermine the UH autonomy and pass legislation which continues to strip the institution of funds and ability to recruit and maintain its standing as a strong R-1 institution with strong independent campuses throughout the state of Hawaii.
Get the fucking legislature to fucking actually fund the university
Remove C19 vaccination requirements. Allow for more online schooling options.
Be a fiscally responsible organization, spending their funding responsibly and efficiently.
With the cost of living in this state so high and with the State Legislature having to prioritize where funding and resources should go, this is just a suggestion: Revamp and review/assess the whole University of Hawaii System. From academics to athletics. Trim the fat away (in other words - get rid of programs we don't need or want/cannot afford). For example: Look at academic majors in the community college and 4 year college systems - get rid of degrees that students are not interested in or we cannot afford. In athletics - Perhaps the Rainbow Warrior Men's Team can focus only on Football, Volleyball, Basketball, Baseball and Tennis. The Rainbow Wahine Women's Team can focus only on Softball, Volleyball, Basketball, Water Polo (since we have the Duke Kahanamoku Aquatics Complex) and Tennis. Again, this is just a suggestion.
Prove leadership and serve as the source for objective, science-based information to guide and inform state policy, regulatory, and budgetary decisions.
Ensure that administrators are transparent and willfully share information with their respective campuses whether positive or negative
Changing the way the University is funded so that it no longer depends on so much public/legislative dollars and changing with that, the way the University is governed so that it becomes an independent institution. Only then do I believe the University can become not just a thriving institution, but a part of what makes Hawaii a healthy and thriving state. Most counties that are healthy economically and socially, have healthy and thriving higher education systems in their communities. There are too many hands in the 'pot' and too many people trying to micro-manage the system.
1. Reduce administrative (headcount) and overhead costs to stabilize tuition and sustain maintenance costs. 2. Reevaluate and determine the level of collegiate sports for State and UH that can actually sustain (no deficits) itself and still enhance students' educational opportunities. Should UH be in Division I in all sports? Do we need more sports teams, particularly from UH West Oahu? 3. Enterprise risk mitigation - Build credibility with the community. Demonstrate strong leadership and commitment on select issues, Don't just show up. Engage.
Get rid of political hiring and appointees ie blm member at law school staff
Develop leadership in diversity, equity, and inclusion
obtain increased funding from all sources (not only Hawaii legislature) to drive the pursuit of excellence across all campuses, especially the Manoa flagship campus.
Promote respect for authority and all people in the classroom — stop the gender talk and keep it to people talk. Get feedback from teachers, students, community members who are long time residents for process improvement ideas. Like this survey! :)
Work to improve student experience, reduce bureaucratic hurdles for student groups, and encourage campus life

(1) Establishing a culture of excellence at Manoa and other campuses (2) Integration of Manoa and other campuses with JABSOM and WSRSL (3) Cutting of administrative 'bloat' (cut or reduce admin salaries) and red-tape to better provide fund and services to students
Living within your means. We cannot match the large mainland schools with funding. We cannot match private institutions with richer endowments. We are a land-grant college founded to provide local students with a college education.
better management of liberal arts college to be as rigorous as top colleges/universities elsewhere; build town/gown relationships esp. in government sectors. 30% of upper-class students should be interning in state and city agencies.
Evaluate/re-evaluate/re-imagine land and facilities use by the university for it and future community use, possibly inspiring us at the very least as we face never housing everyone if we continue as we have.
Increased funding by the State. De-emphasize sports and their funding. Promote strong academic liberal arts and science training as well as job training.
Maintain the independence, financial strength, and commitment to the Community colleges, especially on the neighbor islands.
More funding and support for the performing arts whose students suffer from cancelled classes and lack of opportunity. Sports should take a back seat to education.
Leverage university resources to meet community needs - increase community involvement (community advisory boards, etc.)
1. increase resources in key areas that directly affect the community in Hawaii including education, nutrition, and drug addiction. 2. Support the Hawaiian community and connections to understanding the university's place within Hawaiian society as a whole
Integrated into the uh system should be a recognition and incorporation of local/multicultural traditions and values.
Hire staff, faculty, and leadership who are of this place and have a relationship to this place
-> Include community/neighbor-island voices (users) in the university systemic decision-making
Hire more people from Hawai'i. It is hard for those that are not from here to understand the struggles our community college students face. Furthermore, it is hard to use those that move here as role models because they grew up with different lifestyles. As a student that attended UH from their associates to their masters, and a current employee with a child about to attend a UHCC school, it is imperative that we show our students what they are capable of doing by hiring instructors that are from here who understand the struggles of other responsibilities while going to school. It is ridiculous how underrepresented we, as Kanaka, are as employees (especially instructors) of the UH System. Furthermore, we cannot say we are an indigenous serving institution and not bring our culture to the forefront. It should be a requirement that all employees attend an orientation that allows them to learn about our language and the ways that we are an indigenous serving institution. Those that do not support this should not work here. Our University should support our language and culture because without it we do not have a Hawai'i and we definitely do not have a University of Hawai'i.
Creating community solutions through education. Such as using students to build affordable housing, an adult literacy program, helping with taxes, etc.,
Community engagement using experiential learning for students. Must increase student success metrics like retention, 4/6 year graduation rates and increase enrollment.
food security for Hawaii
Climate Change. Present the facts about climate change, both pro and con, to allow everyone to understand it. Allow University experts to debate the facts about climate change.
sustainability and food security
Offer more course work on Sustainable Community Food Systems on other campuses
Increase local production of agricultural crops and value-added food products; train/ education students so that they can obtain jobs that pay a living wage and stay in Hawaii; support new industries in Hawaii so that high-paying jobs exist for locals/ students to afford to stay/ live in Hawaii
Assist small businesses and farms to help create more sustainability on the islands where need to buy and source out goods & food from other states and countries are not necessary.
Help to educate students and communities about food security and agriculture and island resource protection and beneficial programs.
Ensure that the development of these campuses is more environmentally sustainable, esp. re: transportation - need more modes served.
Be a force in creating a sustainable society in Hawaii.
~ understanding of, and preparing for climate change. ~ agricultural sciences: healthy, productive soils without pesticides/herbicides. .
Highest priorities should be preparing for and ameliorating the climate crisis in HI, increasing HI-grown-for-HI and sustainable agriculture, retaining and expanding health care and quality of life for HI and its human and natural environments, and creating local sustainability industries.
Repair damage done to Hawaiian lands and people, specifically the damage caused by over reliance on tourism .
Create intellectual property that addresses island issues related to climate change!
Anything to do with understanding and impact of ocean to sustainability climate resource energy enhancement etc. Astronomy just as the Polynesian's used it in culture agriculture and navigation application to further future culture agriculture and navigation
Focus research on improving good governance in the state Focus research on identifying operational methods for enhancing diversity and equality Focus research on structural and other methods for mitigating sea level rise Focus research on employing the sea in nonintrusive ways to generate energy

Increase significantly support by education, research and technology for diversified agriculture and sustainable food production in Hawaii. In this, address shortcomings in Hawaii's food marketing and distribution. Refocus CTAHR graduate research and studies on programs to directly benefit Hawaii agriculture instead of Third World programs. UH agriculture programs have significantly declined even as our population has increased, along with the need and desire to greatly increase food self-sufficiency.
support Hawaii's goal of food self sufficiency
I think UH should be key in terms of sharing how Hawaii could be a role model and example of how to create sustainable life using the unique talents and skills of Hawaiian culture; complete with old time methods, arts and lifestyle.
Considering that many courses are taught by adjunct instructors, compensate them better. I have taken classes as a student and the courses taught by adjunct instructors were better than some of the tenured profs. The quality of teaching was superior.
Recruitment and retention of diverse faculty and students; real engagement about preserving the Mauna and respecting the will of the Hawaiian people, programs that drive social justice.
Reexamine the hiring, retention, and tenure process. Cut out the administrative bloat at upper levels. Focus on hiring and retaining faculty and staff that provide DIRECT service to students. Increase intake sizes for nursing and medical schools. Stop paying for expensive consultants. Hire UH presidents and deans from UH alumni.
Recruit better teachers and offer innovative programs.
Hire local. The University makes no effort to return accomplished graduates back to Manoa. Or simply dismisses them. If an offer is made it is always below average the going compensation packages.
Recruitment of professors from ranked universities. Your faculty is out of balance. Try to avoid inbreeding of professors, or employ professors who obtained their doctorates from UHM. Also you have too many foreign professors. I enrolled in one class where a Korean student asked a question in Korean and the professor responded in Korean. No one knew what the question and answer was. I dropped the class. Then it happened again with a Chinese professor. Again I dropped the class. You should also try to recruit students who grew up in Hawaii and got their doctorates from well respected, highly ranked universities. They can't get hired here or they don't want to come back because the school reputation is so bad. Whatever happened with the merit system?
Faculty that are qualified for the jobs they have. Greater Pharmacy Practice faculty ratio than currently. Currently we the DKICP lacks the Pharmacy Practice faculty to compete nationally and to adequately prepare students for jobs. Additionally, most of those current Pharmacy Practice professors have less than stellar credentials (publications, trainings/education/certifications, etc.) and less experience in the topics they are teaching. Often the professors are inaccessible due to them not living on island and they are not physically present in class teaching, making learning difficult. These issues are reflected in the NAPLEX pass rates where we are consistently around 68%, which is below the national average. UH-Hilo has a current issue providing ADA accommodations under TITLE II, Section 503, of the Office of Civil Rights. This is particularly true with regards to DKICP. Current administration has continually presented false information regarding their abilities and has led to written complaints to the OCR, University Disability Services (which has been purposely mislead by DKICP administration to avoid having to provide ADA approved accommodations), and to VC's of Student Services and Academic Affairs. These complaints have been ongoing for the last 4 years and no resolution has been presented. Daryl Masanda and Laura Gomes are the main employees denying these requests and misleading Disability Services Director. An investigation needs to be conducted and responsible parties need to be terminated. Additional training needs to be arranged.
Stop over paying Faculty and Staff
Create more tenured track positions for lecturers.
More support for admins and lecturers as they are the least paid but does all the work to MOVE things for faculty and department heads. Increase their salaries and better treatment
Be attractive to recruit and retain great teachers in
Be more inclusive by hiring people with disabilities on campus and supporting programs including people with disabilities.
All departments and students should be treated equitably. UH prioritizes astronomy over all else including paying for court cases and PR. It is NOT the only science.
Streamline transferring from CC to Manoa, Hilo, and West Oahu... fast track it and enroll them as juniors...
Make all credits with the UH system transferable. IE credits earned at UHWO transfer seamlessly to any UH institution
UH is disconnected in their own system. Build communication and standards between the 10 entities, strengthen the track between community college and university by accepting transfer credits WITHIN YOUR OWN SYSTEM. This should be a seamless process but it is clear the right hand and left hand of UIH are not in sync, which creates barriers not only for our under-represented populations, but all students.
Make your 10 campus systems on one system. Students have such a difficult time registering for classes, it should truly be on system for the entire UH. A student shouldn't have to do multiple tests, entrance exams for different campuses. Also offer free tuition for native Hawaiians, Arizona is doing it for Native Americans, Hawaii should do the same!
The community colleges and University need to work on coordinating credits of students trying to move up in the system. It's absolutely ridiculous when students' community college credits are not accepted by the university, especially when the students were told that they would be. If the university is unaware of this, that is part of the problem. The other priority is, or should be, determining whether athletics or education is the primary mission of the university. I mean why are we even talking about education (notice that all of the options given on the previous pages NEVER mention athletics) when so much of our taxpayer dollars continue to go towards athletics? Does UH think we're stupid? Like if they don't mention athletics in this survey, people will forget how much money is spent on NON-EDUCATIONAL things i.e. athletics.
Ensure ALL credits earned at ANY UH campus transfer to a main campus degree.
To be a true UH System so students have a seamless higher education experience when taking courses at any of the campuses.

Please reinstate the full music department at UH-Hilo. We have many talented musicians who are unable or unwilling to go to college off-island or out of state, and the current performing arts program does not have enough opportunity for instrumental students to continue their studies. Since the mid-90s when we had a full music program including music education/teaching program, each year it has gotten cut further and further until it is just a tiny part of the performing arts degree. As a full fledged university, it is appalling and unfair that a full range of music education is not available to our students who choose to attend UH Hilo.
Make world/foreign language/culture requirements for all exit requirements.
Emphasize mathematics, with free tutoring; in-person, on-line, and via excellent slide programs. Require students to be able to write intelligible sentences and paragraphs. Require students to be able to write argumentatively, and using proper grammar and punctuation.
UH loses it's best faculty, particularly in the humanities, because they feel isolated as scholars. Enlarging those programs and providing more support for conference travel and holding conferences here at UH might help.
Protect and encourage learning in all fields of study, not just a narrow few, nor just to secure a job.
Increase PR concerning the UH achievements within Hawaii thus supporting the institutional sustainability.
Assure balanced and fact-based education
increase funding for early education and access to childcare (along with better pay for childcare workers)
Phase out athletics programs that are not self-supporting, redirect funds to student scholarships and hiring full-time faculty
LIBERAL ARTS!!! Arts disciplines must be supported at the State University. Residents should not have to leave the state to obtain a high caliber Liberal Arts education.
Allow UH Hilo to become its own university.
Reduce the current liberal indoctrination.
Keep all the arts alive because we not only need a creative outlet to help bring emotional health and freedom of expression for our students and our community, we also need creative minds to help bring innovative change.
Maintain and expand Astronomy education & research in Hawai'i
Maximize use of UH lands for mixed use TOD and affordable housing.
Improve the quality of education at UH and the competency of its graduates
Raise the quality of education: coursework should be vigorous to keep up other 4 year universities. UH has to open up safely in COVID era and allow students a full experience(in person classes, student activities) otherwise great students will transfer elsewhere.
Provide the students with the 'tools of life'. Educate them for excellence not for expediency. Maintain HIGH standards. Don't be tempted to lower the standards to promote any particular cultural zeitgeist . . .
Openness to questions of the validity of woke agenda.
Reinforce civic responsibility (of students) Teach epistemic humility and responsibility A practical introduction to evolutionary social psychology with implications for personal and societal change.
Switch the initiative mindset from reactive to proactive. Control Early College growth to ensure the right demographic is targeted and supported and EC growth is thoughtful and allows students to experience HS and grow as adolescents.
Please provide a Masters Degree in Business Administration or Accounting at UH Hilo.
UH should have a mission to seek the truth based on empirical evidence.
Cleanse the UH system of its covert Marxist /socialist ideas that aim to dismantle the United States. Offer such ideology in courses openly, such that students may choose to study this rather than have it by way of indoctrination across all disciplines. As a tax-paying citizen I do not assent to this kind of 'education,' which produces people who hate our country and seek its destruction.
Providing education in financial literacy
Teach not preach. Be free to think, discern, question, contribute, and decide more than disrupt, discriminate, and ostracize.
Looking at the national situation, assume that k-12 social studies nationwide has failed in topics such as Civics (basic American democracy theory and practical applications, and significant dangers/benefits to each citizen). Offer an optional 1-credit course that can be taken online (or maybe in-person) available for all students, undergrads and grads, at anytime in their enrollment. It would cover topics such as: 1. comparison of American democracy with other forms of government, 2. evolution of American democracy, 3. strengths and weaknesses of American democracy, 4. historic successes and failures in American democracy, 5. role and responsibilities of each American citizen, 6. comparison of the history of democracy in America with the history of democracy in Hawaii, 7. hands-on practicum of being involved in self-government democracy in Hawaii (e.g., intern in a government office, be a student government leader, organize a community service project, help with voter registration, learn Parliamentary Procedure and its theories and experience conducting a meeting, visit the Legislature in action, visit a court trial, make a documentary, design school lessons, etc.) -- Offer a non-credit version for the general public through Continuing Education. Develop a k-12 version.-- Ask County and State government to make it a requirement for employment and/or elective office.
Add opportunities such as degrees in pharmacy, physical therapy
Drop the 4 semester foreign language requirement. Google Translate is available on everyone's phone. One semester of foreign culture would be enough.
Nothing is more important than engaging students with a large variety of in-person classes. Having the opportunity to explore a broad range of subjects in the company of their peers is priceless for furthering Hawaii's cultural development. Online 'school' is a joke.

In a world changing faster than academia, fostering creative-problem solving, adaptability and empathy are crucial.
UH should prioritize hiring their own PhD graduates who want to teach rather than recruiting from the mainland.
Build stronger programs in music, art and art history and increase support for those programs.
It's seems people have forgotten lessons from our past or haven't learned to apply history to forward looking solutions. I don't ever hear of programs that bolster support for history and graduates I meet make ill-informed decisions based on their lack of understanding of lessons from our past. I'd like to see more support for the history department
Organize the health and health science components of UH across the campuses under a talented, collaborative, and capable academic leader in medicine.
Education- make it easier to become teachers. Faster route. College- forgive college loan/debt. College- allow for 2nd bachelor degree. Change the admissions process.
Continuing education for teachers to improve public school education
More/any graduate courses offered at each UH campus
Eliminate Football, spend the money on education more.
Educate and train HI residents to teach, especially pre-K-12

Why do you recommend the UH?

A good place for our local students to begin their college life
A university education at home. Not necessarily a Hawaiian university, but a university in Hawaii?
Accessible to Hawaii residents and more feasible than attending a university out of state.
Allows family members to stay home and take care of the families, the price also is important, but I recommend for all students to leave the state to see other opportunities elsewhere.
An opportunity to live at home or at least stay in the same state while attending college
As someone who grew up in Hawaii all their life, I feel it is more fulfilling to go to school in Hawaii compared to other colleges on island and the mainland. I didn't attend a UH community college but I feel the community college path has been the most beneficial for those who are unsure what they want to do yet and wants to attend school at an affordable price. I think there is a misconception that you have to go to a big school in the mainland and that the mainland has all of the opportunities. But starting your education in Hawaii isn't bad either.
Because it is a University at Home
Because it is home.
Because it is local and we can keep our children here on the island.
Because it's close to home
Because it's close, and has some good programs. Just need more of those!
Because it's Hawaii's largest university.
Because it's on island.
Because it's the best University in the State.
Because it's the flagship school in the islands that can give children who grew up here and can't afford to go away an opportunity to obtain an education. When I got my undergraduate degree at UH the professors were wonderful. One of them was working on the papers of Adlai Stevenson. When I got my masters years later I really had to shop around for my classes because I wanted professors I could learn new skills and perspectives and not just pass the class. Education is a commitment and time is valuable.
Because its the state school
Because they try to keep our High School students here.
Because we need to keep people here in Hawaii. And I feel we have a lot to gain from staying here. The teachers are really great at Palamanui as well as UH Manoa.
Because we need to keep the children of Hawaii home. Give them a chance to get a good education, and a good career at home.
Being able to get higher education while staying close to the resident's family.
Best available local institution
Best in Hawaii.
better than nothing. the community colleges are more realistic for local people. the university at Manoa is often out of touch with the community.
Children attended and graduated from UH and didn't have to move from the island that they call home
Close by and reasonably priced.
Close by. Reasonable cost. Lots of options...Cc to 4 year
Close to home
Close to home
Close to home and in state tuition would be more affordable.
Close to home, affordable, local sustainable science, small classes, supportive professors, undergraduate research, online degrees and classes for remote islands, beautiful campus, connections to research
Close to home, good faculty
Close to home, great programs to choose from, able to attend school and work on campus/nearby or attend school functions.
Close to home, quality education
Close to home. Cost effective for Hawaii students.
Close to home/ in state tuition
Close, economical
Closer to home and reasonable tuition

Colleges that are near one's home are a good place to launch. Providing innovative coursework and challenging classes encourages young people to continue .
Community college campus's that offer trade school and vocational training. Is where you can keep Hawaii student's from going out of state.
convenience, low cost, quality programs
Convenient
Convenient and cost
Convenient place
Depending on field of study, UH could be an affordable choice, close to home & family, very mixed race campus.
Depends on other educational and financial options, but higher education is essential and expensive. UH is satisfactory based on economic limitations.
Easily accessible Maintains Hawaii's culture Educates our local children Good value for \$
Fine education close to home and affordable.
For Hawaiian residents, the convenience
For locals it makes sense economically to study in state, especially if attending one of the community colleges.
For many students who are unsure of their educational objectives the community colleges are a great and reasonably cost effective two years of growth and increasing maturity while gaining college credit. They offer vocational education also—I would love to see more emphasis on those educational opportunities.
For the most part, it is cheaper than the mainland and (especially in Hawaii), you develop community connections which will help in future jobs in Hawaii.
For the most part, students can see where they might attend next. And, they can meet and exchange ideas with graduates who are successful. Instead of having to leave the islands for opportunities elsewhere.
For the people by the people of Hawaii
For the unique opportunity to live and learn in the state of Hawaii's lifestyle and culture.
For those with Hawaiian Blood, UH always them to 'stay home' to plan and prepare for their futures! Hawaii for Hawaiians! At this point MOST of Hawaii's youth 'go to the Mainland'...then never come back!
Good educational opportunity for those who want to stay in Hawaii.
Great opportunity for increased local education and hopefully sustain our population to grow the economy, environment, and technology throughout the state.
Hawaii parents are lucky the mainland issues of violence and Marxist ideology have thus far failed. re: https://www.staradvertiser.com/2022/06/30/breaking-news/counties-in-nevada-and-las-vegas-see-biggest-growth-of-native-hawaiians-pacific-islanders/ stupid reporter wonders why?
Helps Hawaii and helps keep the person in Hawaii
Home
I always support education with in my home state
I believe in the support of local education. Many in my family have benefited from their UH affiliations
I do not know a lot about UH, but as a former community college instructor, I know how important it is to have easily accessible campuses and programs.
I feel that we can receive a quality education here at home. I enjoyed my 11 years in the UH system.
I live on Maui. There is no other university here.
I live on the Big Island.
I love Hawaii. And I love higher education.
I prefer the safety of Hawaii over any other state.
I received a top notch, diverse educational with the comfort of staying home.
I think it's important to invest time and money in Hawaii-based institutions to gain a thorough understanding of the needs of the local population, and then contribute accordingly to benefit our island society.
I think they offer good options for students who aren't able to go away for college.
I want my kids to stay in state at this moment.
I would recommend to see more local kids attending our home school.
If staying in Hawaii UH Manoa is good enough
If students and parents prefer to be geographically close, need the support of their Ohana, and have less desire to travel and study abroad.
If the person wants to live and work in Hawaii.

If you live in the State of Hawaii, the UH system is great, and there are classes accessible about the Hawaiian philosophy and culture.
I'm a State of Hawaii taxpayer and expect the tuition to be reasonable for Hawaii residents.
In State tuition and close to home.
Instate tuition and close to home.
It is basically the only educational system in the state, but it is also overall providing an excellent education for students. Most of the professors are highly qualified and eager to help all students. UH is an excellent research institution and is world class in many areas.
It is closer to home and more convenient.
It is convenient to stay in Hawaii and go to college and get a degree.
It is less about UH and more about the advantages of going to school in the islands.
It is local, convenient, affordable, and is uniquely configured to address the training and education needed to succeed locally
it is local. Don't have to pay nonresident fees
It is located in Hawaii. I
It is our local college allowing students without the resources to move away from Hawaii to continue their education.
It is our state university system with good programs for students after they graduate from high school.
It is the best available in Hawaii
IT is the central main institute of higher education in Hawaii. We should be encouraging graduates to stay and give back to the Hawaii and UH has the potential to do that.
It is the only public university in Hawaii, so for those of us who do not want to live on mainland, UH system is by far the best option. I have learned and grown so much with the help of UH institutions - I would recommend to most people.
It is the only public university in the state. Internally, there is a lot of work to be done as far as recognizing each campus' value in the overall picture of helping individuals achieve higher education, streamlining processes so that classes and credits are accepted from community college to university level, and developing clear tracks to achieve educational goals between the two levels. UH puts so many barriers in the way and often contradicts itself. Cut the red tape, talk to your counterparts in all 10 entities, develop tracks and standards, accept transfer credits from your own institutions, and champion students in their efforts to achieve higher education.
It is the state's public flagship university. Kamaaina needs UH to educate and/or vocationally train its residents so that the state can function as a just society.
It provides an opportunity to stay in Hawaii and get a degree.
Its home and it has good programs. Hopefully we can duplicate programs across the community colleges so all programs are accessible in all communities.
It's our only public university system, should be affordable to residents
It's a good opportunity for local kids
It's a great university in the middle of the pacific
It's at home, the cost is lower, the education will be good.
It's available!
It's close to home and a decent school.
It's close to home and cheaper than mainland colleges.
It's close to home and provides all of the possible learning opportunities.
It's close to home; there are many options for students who are undecided for career paths; it's cheaper than going to a private or mainland school.
It's Hawaii's public institution for higher education and also I am a uh alumni.
It's here in Hawai'i. I enjoyed my time at UH
It's home, local, good stepping stone for those not ready or mature enough.
It's home. By staying home for school you'll always keep you're familial support system close. Everything is still familiar and normal and there's no big culture shock compared to moving away for school. It's for enjoying the beach and seeing friends and family while still making new connections on campus as well.
It's in Hawaii. Students can attend school while working/taking care of family.
It's local and affordable
It's local and convenient for most people. Excellent programs in all major areas of study. Offers programs for higher degrees.
It's local and for the price you pay, you get a pretty good education in return. It's much more feasible than going to a mainland college.
It's local and more affordable than private universities.

It's local.
It's locally available to students, may be affordable in comparison to mainland schools, and it's an okay school that could open up opportunities for current and future generations.
It's our only local university
It's our State school. It has an excellent reputation and here on Maui.... it's the only option.
It's our university and a good dollar value
It's the only game in town.
It's the only game instate.
It's the only one on Maui with a dental hygienist program.
It's the only state university system in Hawai'i (at this time).
It's what's available
Keep the younger generation home.
Keeping kids close to home in these troubled times and investing in Hawaii.
Keeps our talent/students on island and not in the mainland.
keeps students at home and a high standard of education
Keeps students here at home.
Keeps young people in Hawaii. I had a good experience at UHH
Living at home while attending college is cheaper than living off campus in an apartment, plus cost of food.
Local and good value.
local post secondary institution
Local, affordable, but mostly because the learning experience is equal to mainland state colleges.
location and costs
Location and culture
Location and good education for relatively low tuition/costs.
Location and value.
Location, cost of attendance is low for residents.
Major public university system in Hawaii.
Maui close to home
Nearness, inexpensive, dedicated staff
Obtain a college degree and then stay home to work and give back to our community.
On Lanai, it's the only game on island.
Only best University on the island .
Only public college system in the State. We need to build and support keeping local expertise and workforce in Hawaii.
Only public university in the state; depending on campus and program, has decent degree programs.
Only viable, affordable option for residents
Opportunity to study locally while at home, therefore must provide follow on job opportunities locally so grads remain and contribute to Hawaii's future growth; lower tuition to reduce future educ debt if attending colleges in a non-resident status;
Options are limited, and UH is established and capable of growth
Overall education was good and campuses are accessible to all Hawaii residents
Programs, nursing school, convenience, experience, diversity
Proud of Hawaii!
Provides as good an education as any mainland university, close to home.
Proximity, possible residential tuition discount.
Same quality as most mainland state universities, but don't have to move to the mainland
So they stay home!
Some young people are not ready for a mainland experience. Staying close to home for at least a semester or a year is preferable to dropping out of a mainland college after a semester or a year.

Start locally, especially taking core requirements at a CC.
State pride
State school already invested in by friends and family.
Students more likely to be accepted, attend, and complete school when the campus is in Hawaii.
The experience of living away from home but still being in Hawaii is invaluable to develop a person not just academically but as a whole person.
The only public option in the state
The UH provides adequate education, and hopefully graduates will find jobs in Hawaii—instead of moving away.
There are relatively few competitors to UH for local students.
There are very fine educators and programs here; we need to support local; it is much more convenient, and often is more economical.
to be close to home and the programs that are available
to keep Hawaii kids at home
To try and keep our local students here. Once they leave the islands, they tend to not want to return to live/work when they realize how expensive it is compared to elsewhere.
UH campuses are located in Hawaii UH has many high ranked programs
UH does offer a good education. Being able to stay in the islands for higher education is a great option.
UH has the potential to be a one stop shop that offers something for everyone and it is close to home. We have not done a good job of instilling pride in UH alumni and Hawaii residents.
UH is a good school that provides Hawaii residents with an opportunity to obtain higher education without leaving the state.
UH is an acceptable option.
UH is located in the state of Hawaii, home, to our families. 'Aloha', exists within the staff. We are diverse and there is sincere support.
UH is practical and available around the island.
UH is the only access to higher education that Hawaii residents have unless they leave the state.
UH is the primary public higher education nexus and must be valued by Hawai'i's citizens including graduates and their families.
UH provides a good education that is close to home.
We have always recommended UH and will continue. The first is what is appropriate for person considering many factors. For ALL levels of higher education. But the key is that you MUST influence the public that UH really cares about average joe who needs to work and school same time but unable. We need flexible educational system. 24 hours a day. Eliminate the obstructions to learning. UH needs to deal with the REAL reality that a large % of high school students or age of high school students DONT go to school and are not motivated in high school level. Got to catch 'em in high school and take them through higher learning whether it be intellectual or working programs. Everyone is of value and can contribute positively to society in their own unique way. Mahalo.
We need higher education in our state
We need to support UH campus
With campuses on most islands, it's accessible. We're a family oriented state and attending UH contributes to this truth. I've always recommended to anyone that asks my opinion of staying home vs going to the mainland, especially if he or she is adamant about leaving, if UH has the program they're interested in, attend a UH campus for the first year or two, then transfer. Then I hope they truly get to experience UH life, embrace it and, stay on.
You can get a really solid education and improve your job prospects. I took all my degrees from the UH system because (1) I couldn't go anywhere else and (2) the quality of the education was very good, definitely on par with similar mainland institutions.
You can get your education here and continue or live here instead of moving away
Young people of Hawaii need access to higher education at costs that are within reach. Resident tuition here is usually cheaper however many graduates find themselves without job prospects when they graduate.
- Low Cost - 3 Ties and Engagement - Sense of Community and Support on Campus
1) Price 2) While some classes were general knowledge, there were others that were definitely Hawaii centric
A good education for the cost
A good foundation, at a reasonable cost
A UH education is affordable education, for those who may be struggling financially. But it is also worldly education. Hawai'i continues to be blessed by its location in the Asia-Pacific region, and it continues to attract top level researchers and educators for that reason, as well as the Aloha Spirit. These are unique, powerful, enduring, and sustainable advantages that Hawai'i has over most other places in America, and the world. Hawai'i truly is, in the words of the late Duke Paoa Kahanamoku, 'the world's center of understanding and fellowship.' Hawai'i deserves a world class public university, and its community should always support that university, and all other schools and colleges that choose Hawai'i as their home. Aloha ????????
Access and availability.

Affordability
Affordability and accessibility
Affordability for local residents
Affordability for local residents Technical programs such as AMT for students preparing them for jobs
Affordability for residents.
Affordability for residents. And hopefully staff continue to help our local students to succeed.
Affordability relative to future income prospects.
Affordability, close to home. Your community college system i.e. KCC is great transition for many public students from public school to higher education. Also offers opportunities for public high school students to take college courses before high school graduation and makes it affordable for some and more likely to continue to higher education.
Affordability, excellence in specific programs
Affordability, location, and good instructors
Affordability, location, and if they ultimately want to be here to work at the end of the day.
Affordability, variety to various programs, student services provided
Affordability. But, to be honest, for my own kids, I encouraged them to go away for the personal growth. I feel badly about it, but I felt that was so important since they grew up rather sheltered.
Affordable
Affordable
affordable
Affordable and good education option for 3. Many UH programs are nationally & internationally recognized and offer a solid foundation for students entering workforce.
Affordable and good education. Access to local employers especially if planning to remain. In Hawaii especially in law, business, engineering and medicine
Affordable and quality education for Hawaii residents.
Affordable and ranked college/university.
Affordable and, depending on the major, good quality.
Affordable college education for people who want to remain in Hawaii for college.
Affordable education
Affordable education and a many but not all programs are just as or better than others nationwide. The only reason for going away to college is to gain independence and the prestige of parents and students.
Affordable education at home, especially for those who don't have the means for other options
Affordable education in Hawaii
Affordable education, supportive faculty and staff, small classes
Affordable education.
Affordable excellent education
affordable for residents
Affordable higher education
Affordable higher education and, until recently, one that was dedicated to supporting the community in ways beyond workforce development (which seems transactional and limited).
Affordable in-state school.
Affordable instate tuitions. D1 athletics.
Affordable local tuition, cheap rent if living at home, on campus job opportunities
Affordable solid option for higher education in Hawaii. UH Hilo has great graduate programs in fields that are relevant to the people of Hawaii Island.
Affordable, local networking, provides solid education
Affordable, close to home
Affordable, close to home, trade school
Affordable, convenient
Affordable, good options depending on area of interest.
Affordable, local connections for future employment

Affordable, quality programs & great professors. Beautiful campus.
Affordable. Excellent education especially if planning to stay in Hawaii.
Affordable. CC options with technical education programs.
Affordable. Overall good experience though I feel the admin could have done more student centered events (concerts, comedy shows, etc.). And getting returner football tickets was crazy as you couldn't buy them on game day.
Affordable; In our community; potential synergy town/gown relationship.
Amazing programs at an affordable rate.
Anyone of OUR COMMUNITY COLLEGE will provide you with a STEPPING STONE into COLLEGE - academically and financially (AFFORDABLE) for a TRADE and or to continue for a HIGHER education. This first two years will give you an opportunity to decide on which direction is best for you.
Assuming that the family member is a Hawaii resident, attending UH would likely be more economical than attending another college or university
At home state is cheaper than any mainland school. CCs can save a lot of money.
Attending college is an expensive and time consuming proposition. Hawai'i offers unique strengths as a system within the most ethnically diverse state in the union. Aside from location specific strengths, UHM offers a quality and relatively affordable option for local families; especially those who can't afford to commit to sending their children to the mainland or abroad for school.
Attending UH is a more affordable option than studying on the mainland.
Basic core college courses are inexpensive to attain at home.
Because I am a graduate of UH and believe it offers a decent education at a reasonable price.
because it affords first-generation to college students the opportunity to become successful professionals
Because it is not very expensive to Hawai'i residents. Helps to make connections and networking for Hawai'i students to the working world of Hawai'i. May keep some of our children home and help to invigorate the local economy.
Because it provides a decent education at an affordable price.
Because it provides Hawai'i people an opportunity to a Affordable college education
Because of the high costs of a college education, I firmly believe that anyone local who attends UH will get the most bang for their education buck.
Believe there still is higher education value that UH provides and is capable of providing. While tuition seems to have increased dramatically, the campuses remain accessible to most.
Best option in the state for the price.
Best value for residents
Best value for the money.
CC are affordable and provide either training or educational start.
Cheaper
Cheaper cost for residents and a CC system that can provide job skills if you're not sure what you would like to learn.
Cheaper for residents with in-state tuition and good learning opportunities, with connections to research and graduate work if desired.
Cheaper than going out of state for college.
cheaper than mainland
Cheaper than mainland
Cheaper than mainland colleges
Cheaper than mainland in some cases. CC are good for those interested in the trades
Cheaper than private
Cheaper tuition comparing to universities in the mainland
Cheaper tuition than mainland
Cheapest, in state tuition
Community college is affordable and transfer of credits is easy since it's all one system.
Convenience, affordability.
Cost
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Cost
Cost
Cost & convenience of staying in Hawaii. Would depend on what the family member is interested in studying. Would not recommend UH if they intend to study medicine.
Cost Diversity of students and programs
Cost and access
Cost and access for initial education at community college level. Specific education in Law, Medicine, Engineering, and School of Ocean and Earth sciences where there is a competitive advantage over other institutions.
Cost and education if going away to school is not an option.
Cost and quality of education
Cost and quality of program
Cost compared to going away to a Mainland school. Graduating with little to no debt.
cost effective
Cost effective
Cost effective
Cost effective
Cost effective Diversity of programs
Cost effective education that took me places. Lots of mentoring and opportunity awareness prevalent here than at mainland state schools.
Cost effective for Hawaii residents. Strong academic programs in specific areas. Important to have diverse educational opportunities for Hawaii residents.
Cost for education is reasonable but if comparable mainland institution is available consider that as attendance will afford a non-island experience
Cost for residents are affordable
Cost is affordable and academics are great.
Cost is better for resident students than going to another university that provides the same programs.
Cost is low at the community colleges.
Cost is reasonable Some programs like marine sciences & law school are among best in country.
Cost is relatively low for Hawaii residents compared to going out of state
Cost of resident tuition vs out of state resident tuition
Cost to families
cost, choices of fields of study
Cost, educational experience
Cost, location, quality
Cost, locations, classes offered
Cost, adequate education, and in some instances like HCC's MELE program, the UH systems Marine Option Program, and Native Hawaiian support programs like NHSEMP, outstanding opportunities. In addition, there are many services that assist a multitude of different student needs. And it has a growing and powerful Hawaiian studies program that provides education you can find nowhere else.
Cultural value, cost, experience, diversity
Despite the tuition rises it's still a good value, and some of the signature programs are really strong. I think anyone can get a great education in the UH system
Diversity of curriculum and lower cost over all
Earn college degree at affordable price
Economical
Economical and can offer a sound education
Economical. Some of the schools have produced effective teachers, engineers, information scientists, et al. professionals.
Education is of great value. However, I think the UH needs to continue to work hard to earn the public's trust. In certain areas of the school people and programs are resting on the state \$ and are not actually trying to improve what they offer, and anticipate the needs of changing times.

Education value (factoring in cost) is better than other options.
Education was accessible and affordable with a high quality of instruction. Appreciated the diversity of students and faculty.
Educational value
Especially if you can qualify for in-state residence, UH provides quality education at a reasonable cost.
Excellent value and quality
For a Hawaii resident, it provides many benefits which start at cost vs mainland schools. If UH wanted to have an elite college campus - the 'Ivy of the Pacific' it can be done. It can also have the best technical school for trades - if it wanted to.
for financial economy but still travel elsewhere during breaks and study abroad opportunities
For Hawaii residents, it's much more affordable than going to a mainland college. UH offers excellent academic programs. Encouraging students to stay in Hawaii for higher ed will hopefully keep them in our local workforce where they are needed.
For local residents it is beneficial because of the lower cost vs. going outside of the state.
For locals that seek a higher degree but would not be able to attend college on the mainland, UH would be the recommendation.
For residents it is cost effective and can help gain an affordable college education.
For residents of Hawai'i, there are many good options for obtaining post secondary education at the UH campuses. Hawai'ian, Pacific Islander and Indigenous education and practices are available here, but not at other institutions.
For residents ONLY: cost effective with one of its biggest strengths being that credits are easily transferable. CC and Colleges each come with their pros and cons for a particular program.
For some students, UH may provide proper intellectual challenge and stimulus. UH provides reasonable financial costs to local residents.
For the associate degree and bachelor's degree level, it provides a good foundation on core requirements, affordable education, and provide opportunities for students to keep or change into another field without the high cost from student loans or able to pay for the tuition and other living expenses while attending UH.
For the cost of tuition. A private college is considerably more expensive.
for the specific programs --- going to out of state schools are costly and many do not continue due the culture shock of out of the state schools I tell people to do their undergraduate here and transfer for their high degrees
For those who cannot afford to attend a mainland college, the UH system is very affordable.
free courses for seniors
Get a good college education within our state at an affordable cost. No need to travel to the mainland schools and pay big money to live and study there.
Good bang for your buck.
Good education for a reasonable price
Good educational value.
Good enough and cheaper than out of state. But if you want to make a living (a good living), then you should consider out of state since better jobs and housing out of state.
Good price, proximity to family
Good school and a good financial deal.
Good value
Good value
Good value for locals
Good value for money, good education.
Good value for tuition dollars. World class for a number of academic fields.
Good value for tuition; good programs & faculty, especially in the sciences; nice campus
Good, affordable education.
Great deal, cheapest college option for local residents.
Great education at Manoa and community campuses. Economical. Good enough to get and keep employed with sufficient pay to make a living.
Great education for the price, unique opportunities due to geographic location and global partnerships.
Great educational value for your money, especially if you are a Hawaii Resident. College is what you make it, you get out what you put in, and my experience at UH Hilo was fantastic in large part because I applied myself. I was lucky to have great teachers and classmates and to know it and consciously make connections with them and the community.
Great price for a great education. Campuses are beautiful and well maintained (WCC, LCC and Manoa are the ones I'm familiar with)
Great teachers and value!

great value for the education
Great value. Locals are able to obtain a solid education for a very reasonable price tag.
Has a lot of programs and is not too expensive
I believe that it provides good value for the cost
I know people who attend/have attended. I also appreciate that the in-state tuition appears reasonable.
I recommend any and every educational opportunity. UH is reasonably accessible, even for those of little means.
I recommend community college campuses more because I think learning is important but budget wise most people I know cannot afford to be in debt that the main campuses will inevitably bring.
I recommend UH because of the affordability of tuition as compared to other Hawaii institutions of higher education, and because of the positive, supportive experience I have had (so far) as a student.
I think it is the 'best deal' (cost and academic wise) in town for a Hawaii high school graduate.
I would recommend the CC as they are affordable options to become career ready after two or three years or to gain credits to transfer to a university in the mainland. I do not recommend any of the 4 year colleges in the UH system.
I would recommend UH as a option for college because of its programs, cost for residents, and convenience as there is a UH college in most of Hawaii's communities.
I would recommend UH to a Hawaii resident because of its somewhat affordable cost of education (compared to other private universities and college on Hawaii and the mainland), and it is a way to give back and contribute to Hawaii's community.
If they are a resident of the state the tuition is cheaper than being an out of state college student else where.
If you have state residency status, you achieve a discount on your education, and this makes sense to most. I recommend UH because it is a unique environment and experience. People must be in love with Hawaii in order to really enjoy their UH experience.
If you live in Hawaii, it's the most economical way to get a college degree.
In Hawaii, it is the most accessible, affordable, and versatile venue for higher education.
In state tuition at UH is way cheaper than paying for out of state tuition. Also there would be less of a cultural and environmental shock than going to a college on the mainland.
In state tuition.
in state, less expensive than the mainland
Inexpensive education.
Instate tuition Hawaiian studies forte Opportunity
It appears to provide a good value for the education
it is a great education for an affordable price. it allows kids to stay at home and stay together with ohana (keeping a support system) and allows kids to start making work connections at home in hopes of keeping them on the islands
It is affordable and has some good programs
It is affordable good school
It is affordable, accessible, and diverse.
It is economical.
It is inexpensive, offers some highly ranked programs, and students can stay home but take advantage of programs on the Mainland and abroad.
It is much cheaper than mainland colleges, gives a great education, and helps the student with local family and college support. If the student wants to go to the mainland later, at least they will save money by taking their core requirements in Hawaii.
It is much more affordable for families and students. It is a world-class university. It brought in \$505 million in research dollars which is evidence the UH has high quality professors/researchers and programs.
It is our State university and should be more affordable for our local people compared to other private educational systems available.
It is reasonably priced and more accessible to local residents.
It provides an excellent opportunity for education at a reasonable cost with good logistics (even for Neighbor Islands), compared to mainland schools.
It provides an opportunity for higher education for those that cannot afford to attend college on the mainland.
It should be less expensive to attend than a mainland university.
It still provides good value. Not as good as when I attended (class of '03) but you can obtain a degree without putting yourself in debt.
It's a more affordable option for college that allows our keiki to stay in Hawaii, while still getting a good education.
its affordable for the most people and can provide a basic post high school education for more of Hawaii's people
It's a cheaper alternative than mainland schools. A college education is too expensive to justify the return.
It's a cheaper option than mainland schools

It's a fine local school, affordable option.
It's a great option for higher education for Hawaii students in terms of affordability and degree offerings.
It's a great value for the cost and a great institution.
It's a great, affordable school that prepares students for the needs of our community & job force.
its a public higher education institution in Hawaii that funded by state taxpayer funds that should provide affordable education to Hawaii residents who can then contribute to support in meaningful ways the State.
It's affordable (vs. mainland college) and kids can stay at home.
It's affordable and provides a good education, particularly UH Hilo.
It's affordable for residents
It's affordable quality education that's easily accessible.
It's affordable when compared to HPU and Chaminade.
It's affordable, especially the community colleges.
It's an affordable way of obtaining higher education.
It's cheaper for residents.
It's inexpensive. It provides a good education and the facilities are adequate.
It's local, cheaper and the education is top-notch.
It's low cost, has some excellent programs. Mainland experience is good for some recent high school grads, but not all. For people wanting to change or enhance their careers UH can offer the convenience and flexibility to make that happen.
It's still relatively affordable for residents
Kaua'i Community College is a small college that is way cheaper than most places. Plus, you can live at home while you get a great education. Kaua'i Community College was the foundation of my success. However, had it not been for the resilience I gained as a 19-year-old mother I don't know if I would have had the courage to pursue my master's degree to show everyone, my children included, what I am capable of.
Knowledge is power and the UH system is pretty affordable.
Least expensive higher education for a resident.
Let's face it, UH is a big, sometimes impersonal place. But if you have the drive, UH offers a world class education in virtually any field. And considering the reality of the cost of an education, resident or not, UH is a bargain!
Local and cost
Local, reasonable value for money, stay home and get a good education.
Local. Easy on parents' budget. Familiar surroundings. People who look like you. After graduating from Kamehameha and while attending LCC, I saw MANY of my HS classmates return to HI and attend LCC with me.
Location, cost, and accreditation
low cost
low cost
Low cost for residents of Hawaii at very good campuses.
Low cost good education
Lower costs.
Lower tuition relative to mainland universities. Close to home.
Makes sense to get in-state tuition if you qualify instead of spending a lot of money or taking out loans and being in debt. Real education is what you put into it not the prestige of the institution. For people who plan to stay in Hawaii, the networking and connections you get from UH are just as valuable as having the name of an elite school on your resume.
Many programs and affordable tuition at the community colleges
more affordable
More affordable option for students. Not everyone is ready or eligible to financially go elsewhere.
More affordable than going away to college. Need a college degree to even be considered for many jobs.
More affordable than mainland but not by much, mainland might be better for higher level degrees
More affordable, has all the professional schools, safer than many other schools
More cost effective than mainland schools.
Most affordable and accessible learning higher institution
Most economically feasible for most Hawaii residents.

Most inexpensive option for most students residing in Hawaii.
Most of my friends and family members do not have the means to pay out-of-state tuition at a better, more prestigious university, which would be most of them.
My experience with education generally - UH as a proxy for the intrinsic value of educational experiences, and personal experiences with those denied such education.
Not everyone is able to afford living on the Mainland. UH also has campus exchange programs
Not only affordable but the institution hires quality professors and offers many courses that are exciting and fulfilling.
Only affordable, in person option for those who do not want to attend colleges outside of Hawaii.
Overall, the cost of education is more cost efficient for Hawaii residents than attending a private or mainland institution.
Price
Price
Price and availability
Price for credits, networking opportunities.
Pride of Hawaii. Affordable education. Applicable programs of interest.
Programs Cost
Provides access, value, and quality of education to Hawaii residents.
Provides an affordable college option.
Quality education at a good price.
quality education with a fair price
Quality, affordability, local
-Reasonable cost. -Better business relations if you intend on living in Hawaii. -Easier transition to living away from home. - Comparable education value to mainland schools.
reasonable tuition
Reasonably priced
Reasonably priced education
Reasonable cost and good faculty.
Relatively affordable
Relatively cheap to other options
Relatively inexpensive; good first college step before/if thinking of leaving islands for college.
Resident tuition
Resident tuition is very reasonable. My son says online program/education is easier to navigate & better than a private college he attended on the mainland.
Resident tuition; localized expertise in some fields of study; exposure to local enterprises to keep talent home....
ROI
Save \$. Support Local Economy
Save money going away.
Save money, Local environment, programs.
Smaller campus and affordable (palamanui)
Solid education at a great price for in state residents BUT classes must return to in person with the full college experience.
Sound higher education for a reasonable tuition for residents. Diverse programs
Terrific choice academic options at an affordable price.
The 4 year campuses are still a good value and they can offer a quality education depending on the program.
The availability of the Community Colleges and the specificity of the training and majors they offer.
The average family is unable to send the kids away to school without a scholarship
The community colleges are feasible and great vocational training as well as a great stepping stone towards higher degrees.
The cost is so reasonable compared to mainland schools. The professors and classes at UHM taught me the concepts and tools I needed to be successful in my current job and career. UHM set me up for success.
The price is cheap especially if pursuing a degree in the STEM fields. If someone is interested in living in Hawaii after college UH is the best college to attend to develop a network of professionals in their field

The tuition is affordable.
There are not much choices of universities in HAWAII which most residents can afford. UH might be the only one.
There are opportunities for more training and education beyond high school that the UH system can provide. Especially at the community college levels where students can gain employment skills without adding expensive long term debt that they will be repaying for the rest of their lives.
Tuition for residents is reasonable, especially at community colleges. programs that lead to better jobs, careers. Excellent business, pharmacy, medical and nursing schools. Culture of home for students
Tuition in state is extremely helpful, provides great programs for incoming students and job placement directly after.
Tuition is lower for local residents but it should be free.
Tuition, convenience of being close to home,
UH can be cost effective
UH Hilo is affordable, UH Manoa is too expensive
UH is a good institution and a good value for local people. Going away to school on the mainland can be good but comes at a significant cost.
UH is affordable for local students. Learning about Hawaiian culture is unique and valuable. There are many professors at UH that serve as wonderful mentors and are very helpful in encouraging students to succeed.
UH is affordable to Hawaii residents and they offer one on one time with the teachers when students who need help. They also provide on campus housing for mainland students or something students from different islands.
UH is one of the most cost-effective programs in the US offering high quality education. The community colleges are hidden jewels within the system
UH Manoa is FAR more economical than going to school on the continent; it's a good education if you are self-motivated, and it is a FAR better education than the UH community colleges. I do not EVER recommend UH community colleges.
UH may be the best place for students that cannot afford the cost on the mainland. UH may have the best program for a students area of interest.
UH offers a very cost effective education.
UH offers affordability and easier access, though with the explosive expansion of online programs from colleges and universities across the United States, UH should focus on Hawai'i specific needs and education to differentiate itself.
UH offers cost-efficient options for most of our students to gain a good education and preparation for competitive employment, while being part of a university system that can address local issues and solve local problems.
UH provides a good education at a reasonable cost
UH provides a high quality education at a reasonable cost for any local resident. Furthermore, the connections you make at UH provides you with a great foundation of business connections if you intend on living here in Hawai'i.
UH system is both relatively affordable and provide a high-level of education.
UHMC has good professors, small class sizes, and reasonable tuition. Stop cutting funding for UHMC programs.
University of Hawaii is by comparison to other universities in the state of Hawaii is cheaper as far as tuition. I feel that you still get a good education and the credits can be transferred to other colleges since we are an accredited institution.
Valuable but yet still affordable
value
Value
Value and opportunity to grow if you apply yourself
Value for money
Value for your dollar.
Value vice other local university.
Value, both personal and professional. After attending a prestigious mainland college for my undergraduate degree, I returned home to work and get my professional degree. Ultimately, I wanted to live and work in Hawaii, and the U.H. provided me with the opportunity and means to do so.
We are stuck in Hawaii do to the high cost of living, it's to expensive to go elsewhere
We will all benefit from the changes that will be made once the new strategic plan is fully implemented, and yes, taking down all the silos would be a great first start, not to mention, keeping the community colleges affordable, a really big deal to many!
When affordability is the major concern, it is a fine choice academically for most. And for certain areas of interest, oceanography, volcanology and astronomy, possibly one of the best choices.
While UH is not a top tier school I think UH (Manoa specifically) offers a fantastic value for prospective students. This is especially true for students in STEM fields with ocean and earth sciences being a standout.
With the cost of going to college being so high now on the mainland, I feel an education at UH is worth while (moneywise) and you can make connections with other students and hopefully find a job after graduation.
You can get a quality education at an affordable price. Investing in local higher education is a plus for all of Hawaii.

accessibility and networking opportunities in HI
Addresses local concerns
As an educator myself, I know the importance of knowing who my students are that I am serving, that is, their backgrounds, cultures, and values. I trust that UH knows their students better than colleges in the other 49 states.
Available within community I live
Be more collaborative with working with community organizations (nonprofits and cultural) to enhance students with ethnically diverse communities
Because it is a close knit community that allows you to fall back and get a better perspective of where and what you want to achieve for your future and opens up more opportunities with less financial risk
because some of the campuses have a strong sense of community and work hard to support students
Connectiveness & community structure
Diversity, knowledge of Hawaii, local culture.
Each campus has its specialty and fits the needs of many local students diverse background students
education grounded in this place; there are faculty who can teach with context and relationship to this place; affordable
Education should continue in Hawaii so that students can apply their knowledge to the local scene first. As they grow they realize that their knowledge may be useful through out the world. As they become altruistic in their thinking, they will work collectively for the common good of mankind.
Familiarity, respected school of higher Ed. Definitely not cheap!
Good education in a 3
Great opportunity for student to earn a degree and to find work.
Hawaii based education is valuable to better serve our community at home and to network with other Hawaii professionals.
Hawaii hires applicants that have UH diplomas. But UH needs to get rid of instructors holding back the programs. We all must keep up with changing times.
Help boost economy and community.
Higher education that is grounded in Hawaii, the Pacific, and the unique culture, people, and landscape of this place.
I strongly believe that UH provides a great resource for the community.
I would recommend UH to Hawaii High School graduates to invest in their communities by helping to create a larger workforce
If you want to work in Hawaii for job's that require a degree, it's best to study in Hawaii so you're networked, culturally aware, and trained for Hawaii's work culture and not the mainland's.
It is a local college, able to understand the important issues facing Hawaii and support student's success.
It is a local institution that can, at least for the first couple of years, provide the basics and foundation for a 4-year or higher degree.
It is better aligned with Hawaii's needs than any other University in the world. And so it should be.
It is local, diverse and easily navigated by adults with families who are seeking higher education.
Keep local kids local and where they can make difference in their community. Only place you can learn Hawaiian History from the source
local
Local and cheaper than most
Local connections/network
Local networking opportunities. Great value
Many diversified career options. Affordable.
more connection to stay in the local workforce
No better place to prepare for civic responsibility in Hawai'i.
Opportunity to complete a college degree while gaining an understanding of the culture and history of Hawai'i.
Solid education in many areas. Great to stay home in Hawaii and contribute to community. We need our best and brightest to work and invest their energies at home.
The opportunities UH provides.
The school takes pride in educating every student on the importance of the Hawaiian Culture as well as the importance of community.
The UH community is a wonderful tight knit community! The location is amazing too!
They offer a local experience and training.
To local residents that want to stay in Hawaii, the relationships with existing business that support the UH System through clinical affiliation or practicing in any field help the transition from student graduate to potential employee.

UH graduates have an edge in being hired for Hawaii jobs compared with mainland universities.
UH is a great opportunity to join a network and community within the state to seek higher education and advance your career.
UH offers educational programs and resources that can be useful to students and graduates in addressing local problems and issues important to our communities.
UH offers excellent programs and a high quality academic and local experience. It is also is an important access way to opportunities in the Asia and Pacific region.
UH provides a community where students can learn about themselves and build their skills to give back and support Hawai'i in many different ways. Most UH faculty and staff have a sense of service, responsibility, and commitment to Hawai'i's communities which is important not just for the students but for the overall advancement of our state.
UH provides adequate training and preparation for students who wish to live and thrive in Hawaii
UH provides great opportunity for local young adults to get an education that will prepared them to assume responsible employment opportunities here in our Island State.
UH provides locally available knowledge and skills for students' assimilation, to enable not only survival, but compassionate prosperity.
UH provides the fundamental education for many professional fields that are vital to Hawaii at a reasonable cost, builds local relationships and allows you to stay in Hawaii.
UH's educational program is a local university.
University of Hawaii is rooted in rich history and has made progress in committing to serve underrepresented communities. The school spirit is contagious and feels like family. The campuses are beautiful and the programs are on their way to supporting Hawaii's community for generations to come.
We need to train local people for local Jobs so our college bound residents quit moving off island for their education. Many don't return to Hawai'i after their mainland schooling.
Academic prestige and convenience.
Beautiful campus, strong expertise in a number of specializations.
Certain departments in the system provide excellent education and in fields that can lead to excellent jobs. We also need the ability of their faculty to examine Hawaii's problems and possible solutions
Cultivate excellence in place
depending on the area of study, i.e., marine science, geology, astronomy, medical, law, tourism, etc. affordable to residents.
Depending on the major. I would recommend UH. Affordable education.
Engineering is good at Manoa Hawaiian Studies are good at Hilo Both programs that provide education not political indoctrination
Especially the community college campuses I have recommended to many of the people in my life including family members good place to start... Depending on what they wish to focus on I have recommended UH Hilo and Manoa... Again it has to do with what they want to study... Pacific culture and the arts... Tropical medicine... law with an emphasis on seniors .. Marine science, technology, information studies that's a good place to be
Essentially it all depends on the programs UH offers and the circumstances they're in. Of course if someone is looking to get a college degree in trade or want to start off small, then UH community College is a great way to start. I would recommend UH Manoa if people are passionate in getting an education in a field that they are familiar with. University price for tuition & room and board for in-state students are ridiculous and needs to be heavily considered.
Excellence in a number of fields relevant to the Hawaiian economy and heritage; geographically accessible to Hawaiian residents.
excellence in many areas
For a few areas of science and engineering in which it is particularly strong: such as Astronomy and Marine Biology.
For it's excellent programs in oceanography, astronomy etc.
For many students UH represents a world class education that reflects the interests, culture and economic possibilities of our state. It's outreach via campuses on other islands helps increase it's accessibility.
For specific programs UH is a very affordable and good investment.
For those of us who are local, UH is convenient and can easily add knowledge and skills to adults looking to improve job prospects. For people pre-college, UH is an affordable option. For talented individuals that could attend top colleges on the mainland, UH has a handful of truly world class programs (astronomy, marine biology, Hawaiian, etc.) that definitely compete and offer a much better deal economically without sacrificing quality.
Great University in a great place.
Has a good reputation in some specific majors. Astronomy and marine science come to mind.
I believe in in-state public education. UH has an excellent reputation. UH has a variety of programs vocational through academic.
I would only recommend UH for certain programs, but not for most. I would also recommend it to local students, because the cheap tuition.
I would recommend JABSOM for any Hawaii resident because of cost. I would recommend UH for vulcanology, astronomy, tropical ag, or marine biology
I would recommend UH for specific programs if a friend or family member wanted to study something particular (like Natural Resources and Environmental Management or Library Information Science.) It is also an opportunity for people to gain a higher ed

degree and/or move away from where they grew up if they're not from Hawaii. Going to UH for students from the continental US is an opportunity to immerse yourself in a different culture and learn how to be sensitive to host cultures around the world.
In certain areas, UH punches well above its weight and gets almost no credit for its achievements. UH is affordable and here. Moving for college is broadening, but if there are other ways to handle that, like travel, working hard at UHM for example will meet the standard.
In order to learn from a research university which is affordable and believes in diversity.
In the right circumstances or renowned specialty program, it could be a good economical fit to obtain a secondary education.
It depends on the field. But if they were pursuing marine biology, astronomy, or something in the Hawaiian language and culture I would recommend the UH system.
It depends on the student's interests but there are good programs and it's relatively affordable. Also some programs are really innovative.
It depends on whether it had the academic program that met my family member's needs.
It has been rated one of the top Univ. in the U.S. and lives up to it.
It is a well regarded university
It is a world class education and exposure to instructors is a win for everyone.
It is an outstanding, nationally recognized, university system that includes a major research campus. Plus, its really a bargain!
It now is competitive with schools on the mainland.
It's a fantastic school with great programs and amazing people, and is a leader on many fronts.
It's a top ranked school with many programs and is affordable for residents. It would be great to try and keep our local graduates home with good well paying job opportunities. I love local owned businesses who employ local graduates.
It's a top ranked university that offers more meaningful experiences than it's mainland/international counterparts in a beautiful yet urban environment. The faculty, staff and students convey aloha to all and its a wonderful, nurturing place to be as one journeys towards their education and professional goals.
It's good for specific programs of study.
Many unique opportunities, especially in the field of astronomy.
One of the top universities in the world. Variety of programs offered, including classics.
Reasonably high ranking academically and affordable
Recommend, but only in certain fields in which UH excels.
Reputation is good
Some campuses have specific programs such as nursing or travel /hospitality & food services programs that are good & needed for Hawaii.
some departments are world class
Some good niche programs that lead to employment
Some of the best programs in the world for astronomy, marine science, atmosphere and earth sciences, culture diversity, Hawaiian culture and language. People in HI, in addition to the weather, is a once in a life time experience
Some programs are respected nationally. STEM engineering
Some, but not all, majors are very reputable in the community.
The Marine Science Program at UH Hilo is small and you have access to quality professionals to gain needed skills
The UH System campuses are a great option for Hawaii residents due to its diverse fields of study, reasonable in-state tuition, and convenient locations.
The university is respectably rated and students can stay home in Hawaii.
The University of Hawaii is a great institution for marine biology and research, as well as other fields such as law renewable energy and medicine (Cancer Center).
There are numerous fields of study available .
There are some (not all) excellent departments that are at or above mainland school programs. It's more affordable.
There are some classes at UH that are unique and place based that can enrich a college student's experience.
There are some high quality, reputable schools and programs at UH
There are some programs that are ideally suited to study in Hawaii. UH is more affordable than out-of-state colleges and even if the student transfers later they can do their core coursework close to home.
There are some real gems at UH e.g. medicine, nursing, public health, law, cancer research, ocean sciences, sustainability, Hawaiian knowledge, education. Great programs that will lead to good local jobs.
There are some very good schools within the system.
Ties to the 3; strong research opportunities; depending on an individual's interests, UH has several outstanding programs.

Tropical Ag and Astronomy.
UH does have some valuable programs, I think the community colleges are very important in regards to teaching trades so local people can get better jobs to support their families.. not a fan of programs that don't focus on job placement or readiness.
UH has certain leading science and technical fields comparable nationally.
UH has proved over the years to reach for and achieve high standards of research and scholarship. I am proud of it.
UH has the capability to address Hawaii's needs in management of our essential community resources such as oceans. Our UH Hilo campus has high ratings.
UH is a great institution. Manoa is internationally known and respected for research. The other campuses all have their benefits. UH has uplifted our community for decades and will continue to do so. It's a great bargain, right here at home.
UH is a top university that is affordable.
UH is a unique institution nationally with superb faculty and staff.
UH Manoa campus has programs such as the Shidler's School of Business, College of Engineering, Richardson S. School of Law that is nationally recognized/respected. It is also affordable and allows our keiki to remain, work, contribute to our islands.
UH Manoa has great research programs and therefore the best opportunity to work with world class faculty. The CC's have some really amazing teachers.
UH Manoa is our flagship University. It provides education and research opportunities for Hawaii's unique assets: its host culture and the science of the land/sea/sky.
We have several quality academic programs - we need more of them.
WSR School of Law is the top school for Hawaii lawyers. 1. Networking (if staying in Hawaii) and 2. UH Manoa is a quality school.
Yes, depending on which academic track they are pursuing. For example: UH has the capacity to provide fantastic education and real-world experience to those pursuing careers in environmental sciences, conservation, 'green jobs' sector, etc. And at the same time, if someone is pursuing a degree in a field where UH struggles to provide a quality education - like art, social work, or nursing (thinking about top tier institutions in these fields), I wouldn't recommend someone attend.
1) There are many excellent programs at the four-year campuses, and 2) there is valuable opportunity to get job-related certification at the more affordable two-year community colleges, or seamlessly transfer introductory classes to the four-year campuses.
1. Relatively high quality of education; and seeks to improve. 2. Relatively affordable. 3. Provides topics and style relevant to Hawaii. 4. Strengthens the quality growth of Hawaii, and the world.
able to receive a high-quality education, at a more affordable tuition
Academic strength and diversity of study opportunities
Academically fine, but culturally too casual.
Accessibility, resources, knowledge, increased pay, networking, opportunity.
accredited
Accredited, great value and respected for its costs
Affordable quality education with networking opportunities (need more)
After having worked in financial aid, I know that UH offers a wide variety of majors and is capable of providing a sound educational background for its students.
As a graduate, they provide excellent opportunities.
As an employee, I see first-hand the value and benefits of an education from UH. I believe UH can provide a quality education, but perhaps needs to work on access and application process issues, such as providing a friendlier environment for prospective students, and simplifying application, registration, and transfer processes.
Because a strong liberal arts education is the corner stone of any kind of modern thinking sure studying tech, and innovation are important but worthless without an understanding of where we've been and how we got to where we are
Because the team members that we have hired that have gone to UH are top notch professionals
Best place to get a college education!
Both of my daughters have attended UH at different times and both received an excellent education that has a positive influence on them every day.
College education provides a graduate increased opportunities; however, a degree itself does not guarantee success. Motivation to improve oneself is vital and taking appropriate action to succeed is essential. I recommend the UH system to Hawai'i's residence due to the quality of knowledge being provided and the affordability to the kama'aina population.
Despite the lack of instrumental music opportunities at UH-Hilo, I do feel that UH campuses in general offer a range of opportunities and majors to help students excel in life and find what they want to do for a career.
Each campus is unique. Trades, culinary, liberal arts, medical, Veterinarian, there is something for everyone. However the University of Hawaii needs to make the educational journey smoother. Each campus has their own requirements.
Easy credit transfer and strong programs (certain ones for each campus)
Excellent degree programs and educational opportunities.
Excellent education and opportunity to create relationships that will enhance career

Excellent educational opportunity.
Excellent faculty and excellent opportunity, however, Manoa and the UH System remain mired in mediocrity and in-fighting amongst departments.
Excellent faculty at UHM
Excellent faculty who care about students education and their future.
Excellent faculty, diverse programs, excellent science and social sciences affordable. The smaller class size and access to faculty are difficult to find at a public university.
Excellent instruction and programs.
Excellent instruction by caring faculty.
Excellent professors - good curriculum.
Excellent professors and programs of study
excellent programs of study and outstanding instruction; costs; convenience in that it's being at home
Faculty & Staff for the most part are super amazing and helpful. They will guide you through the application process, and try to ease the stress throughout registration every semester. Lastly, they are very family oriented, should emergencies arise (true ones) and you provide documentation, the faculty and staff are understanding and will allow you extra time if needed.
For some majors, UH provides a decent education for students who want to work in Hawaii.
Good as any other college.
Good curriculum
Good degree programs at an affordable price for local students.
good education
Good education & access to HI employers for job placement
Good education and opportunities for Hawaii students; usually less expensive than going away.
Good education and price
Good education at reasonable costs.
good education comparable to the mainland
Good education inexpensively with cultural diversity
Good Education to prepare for future.
Good education, culturally understands significance of Hawaii and its people.
Good education, excellent price for residents.
Good education, Knowledgeable instructors.
Good education, not as expensive
Good education.
Good education. All 3 of my children attended UH (two are graduates) All have done well,. Tuition is affordable
Good institution; well respected; Hawai'i values and needs in mind; diverse; committed.
Good instructors
good profs and environment
Good programs and campuses available to help local people reach educational goals without moving out of state.
Good programs and lower cost specifically for local residents,
Good school with good professors.
Good school without the distractions of a big city. Better parking
Good school,
Good staff, community-based, place-based, variety of education options, caters well to locals
Good to great educational institute
good undergraduate education, good to excellent postgraduate training depending on the specific department or school. Affordable option for local students.
Good University
Great academics and experience
Great education

Great faculty and academic programs!
Great faculty and good academic offerings.
Great faculty and outstanding programs
Great faculty, small classes, diverse
Great teachers and professors. The campus is a beautiful place to grow and learn. Diversified ethnicities and cultures makes learning more interesting, to know how other people think and learn.
High quality education at a competitive price.
Highly developed and innovative programs
Honestly I would recommend uh Hilo because it is fairly easy. The curriculum is pretty simple and the professors are understanding and easy to work with. That is if the student is able to go to school and have the privilege of not having to work at the same time
I believe it provides good education in a great setting. I'm most familiar with UH Hilo and I appreciate the outreach to the community.
I feel the UH system can provide a decent, solid, and affordable educational experience for any interested, motivated, and capable student.
I feel the University offers a quality education.
I found the courses challenging and relevant, (most) professors seemed deeply knowledgeable, engaging and helpful.
I have taken lots of community college classes throughout the islands and am currently enrolled in UH West Oahu. Through my experiences, the teachers are amazing, the classes are always interesting and fun.
I taught at UH, Manoa for 40 years. I know the potentially great education students can get....if they are lucky.
I think UH West Oahu has innovative faculty and the atmosphere is more open, less hide bound by tradition.
I witnessed the success of UH CC students who followed into education at Manoa. Many gained academic confidence through CC programs' success. It should be promoted as a way to cycle in and out if degrees. However my husband was a construction genius with a miserable school record. Not all genius need UH anything. St. Louis produced an engineer trade school grad who designed and built the ISS electrical system. Hawaiian Portuguese Haole from Waimanalo. Not UH talent. Trade school and Sheet Metal Shop raised by owner dad. You never know.
I would like to promote UH as an important institution that can provide critical education in a variety of fields. I would like UH to increase its quality of education so that more people will think of UH first rather than as an afterthought.
Intellectual confidence; become more knowledgeable; be able to get better positions in the future; stability in finances
It a good education and not overly expensive.
It depends on the student and the student's interests. I would recommend UH if the student was highly motivated to seek out higher education -- in which case the most important thing would be the student and not the university.
It is a diverse school, with many academic choices. The teachers come from all over the globe, therefore giving students a global perspective in their field of study and their education in general.
It is a good education, better than not going to college, and provides the foundation for a stronger career and future.
It is a quality education with lots of program options for the state of Hawaii.
It is a very good college.
It is an outstanding system for our students.
It is at hand, It is a good University system
It is excellent!!!
It is the best University, for professional and intellectual development in Hawaii, for most subjects.
It is the land-grant, research institution in Hawaii; it has highly qualified & dedicated faculty & staff who conduct cutting edge scientific research and who educate students to be logical and evidence-based when seeking to solve issues in Hawaii and the world
It is very good school and better priced than similar mainland institutions.
It provides a great education for the graduates' future and leads to a more civilized community.
Its a good solid school
It's a good university.
It's a great university. Good professors and great programs.
It's an excellent University.
It's innovative and fresh in its thinking, esp. with its new UH Esports program. I find it amazing how many students are interested in esports, and desire it to be a career pathway for themselves.
It's wide range of programs, its relative affordability, and the quality of education.
KCC - great teachers and cozy campus UH, Manoa - super majors/choices UH, West Oahu - work/live/study in same area. Good reputation
Known for quality education in Hawaii

Mainland quality education at UHM for someone who wants to stay in Hawaii
Many areas of study, competent faculty, diverse student body
Many programs and majors to choose from. You save money compared to going to a mainland college.
Programs and classes provided are very useful and hands on. UH campuses are also throughout the islands which makes for easier access! Great experience!
Quality academics and affordable. Strong research focus
Quality and affordability
Quality college education at a affordable cost
Quality courses and instructors. You can get a college degree without having to leave the islands.
Quality education
Quality education Reasonable price Diversity because we are in Hawaii
quality education and affordable
Quality education for reasonable price
quality education in a diverse setting UH is unique!
Quality education is being provided through smaller class sizes, a diverse community, safe campuses, and involved educators.
Quality education right at home without the need to locate very far. More personable experiences with smaller class sizes and a true way to create and sustain relationships with others in our community.
Quality education, field experience in addition to classroom experience, cultural significance and learning is a clear priority
Quality education, value for resident tuition cost
Quality education, value, community
Quality faculty. Research opportunities. Chance to help local communities
Quality local education
Quality of education, affordability, networking opportunities, career advancement.
Quality programs, affordable, and Hawaiian focused education
Quality, affordable education by dedicated, caring faculty
Quality, Cost, Culture
Quality, diversity, lower cost to earn a college degree than attending a mainland university
Recommend UH Manoa because it provides basic high quality education and research for all.
rigorous education in a beautiful location where students can easily decompress in nature (if that is their nature)
Small class sizes, low costs, good professors, hands-on learning, lots of research opportunities, good support systems
Smaller school provides hands on education.
support the uh system and receive a quality education
The community colleges are a great place to begin your education. The class size is small and the price is comparatively inexpensive. And there is a campus close to everyone who lives in the islands.
The Community Colleges offer good programs.
The quality of student is excellent that comes out of UH. The smarter the state is the better choices we all make!!
the quality of the teaching staff the variety of courses
The UH system provides various college experiences, from community college to four year university, with a broad range of majors that are suited for the Hawaii community.
The University of Hawaii systems have provided quality education to myself and my family members throughout the years at a nominal cost.
The variety of studies offered
There are good educational opportunities to be experienced at the UH campuses rather than having to go to the Mainland.
There are many outstanding professors who are passionate about what they teach. There are many classes to chose from. I do believe, however, college should definitely be 3 years, then you come back later for a Masters, etc., after you have worked awhile.
There are many possible majors which will help the student to compete against one else if one applies oneself. Hawaii is comfortable and can help one reach his/her goal, without to many distractions.
There are so many opportunities because there are choices in terms of choosing direction with 19 different campuses . I would like to see more under represented groups & more opportunities for lower tuition.
There are some good programs at UH. Others I would avoid recommending.

There are some good programs, and good people at the university. It provides an opportunity.
There is a broad selection of academic programs, and it's a good value for the money.
There is place for everyone no matter what their situation. High school dropout to valedictorian to someone looking for a career change
They are top quality schools
They offer students a solid education no matter what their future plans.
Top quality education
UH has been increasing their offerings of programs.
UH has many excellent programs and degrees currently. It needs however, to look at what will be important for the future.
UH has many good programs and even mediocre programs can have good results for excellent students.
UH has some great professors who are active in their field. Courses reflect community needs.
UH offers solid education programs that are more affordable than many other institutions.
UH provides an excellent education for our Hawaii residents and keeps our education funds in Hawaii.
UH provides excellent education and opportunities that a student can have. Support and guide students how to navigate college ..what kinds of questions to ask for help. Who to talk to for...., where to go
UH provides learning opportunities in a wide variety of fields.
UHM used to have a faculty who were personally invested in their student's success. I'm not sure that is the case now.
Varied course, various way to attend, lots of options
Variety of academic courses and the Na Kupuna program
Variety of courses offered. Well-organized curriculum for different majors (e.g. education, engineering, marine biology)
Variety of quality classes that provide information for me to move forward with more empowerment.
Well rounded curriculum
Wide variety of programs and dedicated faculty
You can receive an excellent education and training in many majors that result in solid jobs/careers upon graduation.
alumni
Alumni and quality of education.
Alumni and supporter of the university and its programs because it provides an in-state education for local students.
As a former student and an alumni I believed attending land based college is much suitable and cheaper in the long run. I am a local and family members are closer thus chose UH Hilo as oppose to relocating to the mainland.
As a former student I enjoyed the opportunity to broaden my horizons. I obtained my Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering and my Masters degree in Business Administration. My Masters education was done at what was once Maui Community College by the UH College of Business while I worked full time as a civil engineer with the County of Maui. My MBA allowed me to serve in upper management positions in the County of Maui while my engineering degree provided me with the technical background needed for my work,
As a graduate of UH Manoa I would no doubt recommend UH.
As a UH Manoa graduate who initially entered higher education as a Community College student. I have personally been a huge beneficiary of the UH System. My intellectual horizons have been vastly expanded, as have my employment opportunities, and I am now a huge believer in the value of lifelong education, both for the individual and society at large.
Beautiful campus. Alumni friends recommendation.
Because I am an alumni and I enjoyed my college experience.
Because I graduated with a BA from Manoa.
Because I have attended many classes as a senior and have been impressed with the quality of education and the students attending
Because I received an excellent education from the Sociology Department from 2011-2014!!! Plus, save money and go to local schools!
because I'm a resident and former student
Everyone I know who has attended UH has received a very good education enabling them to be successful.
Family members and friends who have graduated from UH and/or the UH Medical School are now living successful, gainfully employed lives and are contributing members of their communities. There's a lot to be said for attending college where you grew up.
Former graduate
Hilo was small and had great opportunities for students who lived on island

I absolutely loved my undergraduate experience and as someone who now works in higher education I can say that the UH system does an amazing job at listening to their staff, faculty, and students and supporting those individuals in a holistic manner. To me, UH has set the standard.
I am a former student, graduate, donor and an emeritus regent.
I am a proud Alumni of UH.
I am a proud UH Hilo alumnus.
I am a UH grad and got a good education from UH.
I am a UH Grad and had an opportunity to attend Grad School at Northwestern University in Chicago. If you can do well at UH, you will be able to compete anywhere. My 3 kids attended UH, I told them you are a fool to pay outrageous college tuition on the mainland for an undergrad degree where you can get the same education at UH. It's not what school you attend, what counts is the effort you give in learning any subject matter that counts. The only difference is the competition at UH is not at the same level as with some colleges on the mainland. But if you do well at UH, you will be fine anywhere.
I am a UH Manoa graduate; felt I acquired a well-rounded education at UH Manoa, that enabled me to work and live in Honolulu after graduation for 46+ years.
I am an Alumni of both Hawaii Community College as well as University of Hawaii at Hilo.
I attended UH
I attended UH because my siblings were also in college so attended UH to help my parents financially. I'm glad I did because I met my mentor who helped me decided on a career and got me the present position through RCUH
I attended UH Hilo. The professors and everyone listens to your concerns and guides you to success after graduation.
I believe that UH offered an educational opportunity to expand my horizons. It was an educational experience.
I benefitted directly from the UH System in completion of my associate, bachelor, and master's degree. I had a good experience at all educational levels.
I feel UH at Manoa curriculum has a lot to offer to students who are dedicated to settle down and study. I went to a private university before transferring to UH, don't regret it.
I felt that may education helped make me a more dynamic individual. At the time I attended 2004-09 it was priced in such a way that I was not left with much dept.
I graduated from UH-Hilo
I had a good experience at UH Hilo
I had a good experience there, and completed a bachelors degree and additional classes.
I had a great experience as a graduate student
I had a great experience at UH West and I believe I was prepared to join the workforce. My current job is in line with my degree.
I had a great experience in the Shidler College of Business for both my undergraduate and MBA degrees. I believe that some colleges are stronger than others, so I usually recommend those programs to others. UH also has pretty good athletics programs. I especially recommend UH to Hawaii residents because of the value it provides with it's relatively cheap tuition.
I had a great experience thru the system
I had a positive experience at UH. Our community colleges are good and are still reasonable cost.
I have 3 degrees (BA, MPH, MURP) have worked there as a student, and twice as a support staff. It always had mostly quality people involved.
I have appreciated my advanced degree. My son will be attending as a freshman come this fall.
I have four degrees from UH and it's the relationships with people in a small community that matter.
I learned a lot from the wide array of colleges, departments, and classes. As a student worker, I engaged daily with professors from diverse departments. I found them to be friendly and knowledgeable. I even contacted some of them after I graduated for casual consultations.
I love that my child got to live and get her degree in Hawaii. A chance of a life time.
I not only had the time of my life in my 40s going to WCC and UH, my education was the best!
I obtained my MBA in 92. The quality of the faculty, facilities and experience benefitted me in my career and personal life. I am a booster for Wahine VB. The state of Hawaii should be proud that UH was one of the first universities to embrace Title IX by providing athletic opportunities for women.
I received 3 degrees at UH
I received my bachelor's and master's at UH, was employed by UHMC. I know it's a great system that continues to grow.
I received my college education from the UH system. There are degrees that UH offers that US Mainland colleges do not - (i.e. Hawaiian Studies). As UH has mentioned in its previous advertisements: "Your journey begins at home!"
I received my education from UH and feel I had a great education. Higher education was much more affordable when I attended and making the contacts within the community was extremely helpful in getting employment after I graduated.
I received two degrees from UH Manoa they have served me well.

I recommend UH to my family and friends because I enjoy going to U H. Also, when I was considering attending UH, I was thinking that I was to old for school, but the staff at UH told me age doesn't matter.
I support public universities, as a graduate of public university from another state
I was a former student at UH Manoa. I know anyone would benefit from it
I was very happy in my years at UH. My child got her degree at UH.
I went back to school after working for several years and found that I really enjoyed school, learning new things and meeting people of varying ages and backgrounds.
I went there and loved the whole experience.
I went to school part-time for 8 years and now have two degrees from UH. Also taught in both the College of Ed and the Shidler Business School, so nothing but aloha and recommendations for anyone considering it.
I would especially recommend the CCs to students who typically are not academically oriented but would do well at a trade. I attended Manoa and had excellent professors there. I feel I am a more well-rounded person and more knowledgeable about the world than if I hadn't attended the U. I also attended HCC. Their graphic arts program was behind the times but since I've left many years ago, it has caught up and surpassed many other similar programs around the country. Congrats! College is not for everybody, and the CCs give students more options in life work. They play an important role. I understand that Us now need to gear themselves more toward employment preparation, but I treasure those other courses unrelated to my major that I learned about. It opened up the world. It enabled me to talk to people outside of my comfort zone. I feel my education on the mainland was also eye opening, but not all kids can afford that option.
I'm a alumni
I'm an alumni and believe that UH can provide a quality education. However, I also believe that it needs to look at the future of work, learning and how it might better prepare residents for what lies ahead.
I'm an alumnus
I'm proud to be an UH alumnus & did all my post-graduate work here in Hawaii. UH has provided me with skills to have achieved a great career.
In spite of the awful conditions of the dormitories, my child had a decent experience at UH Manoa.
it helped me
Its my alma matter and for most of Hawaii students its affordable
It's my school!
I've been a student at three campuses at different periods in my life. At Leeward and Kapiolani Community Colleges, I earned three Associate degrees, and at University of Hawaii-Manoa, I earned a BA. I appreciated the learning environment at all three Campuses.
My education and experience was second to none, I am UH's biggest supporter.
My experience as an undergraduate at UH. Additionally, my child, a current student, reports positive feedback on her education and experiences and chose to remain on island despite multiple scholarship offers to mainland universities.
My experience at UH have allowed me to develop professionally and therefore economically. The credentials I earned allowed me to provide service to our Island community and beyond.
My experience earning my MBA at Shidler was incredibly enriching. I actively recommend the MBA program to people within my personal and professional network.
My experience growing up in and attending the university and current observations
My experience with UH was good. Coming from a all girls private school with small classes, it was hard to adjust to the big lectures but I managed do to well. I had the option to go to UNLV, Northern Arizona, and Western Oregon, but chose to stay home in Hawaii. Although I lived on island, I requested to dorm to get the full college experience which taught me to be independent. I majored in TIM as Hawaii has a big tourism industry. I knew I wanted to live in Hawaii and eventually raise my kids in HI so why not stay in HI to make those connections with the industry from the start. Although some professors are better than others, UH was great! the dorms, libraries, resources at campus center, etc. (I wish the new athletic center was built when I was there.)
My sister had a good experience there.
My time at UH Manoa was extremely memorable & the education I learned at Shidler was useful
My UH degree served me well throughout my lifetime.
Proud alumni, and it helped me with my career
The education provided by UH helped me with getting my job.
This is where I got my higher educational start—Honolulu Community College's vocational program and Leeward Community College PASS Program and beyond, where I received opportunities for increasing my reading, writing, and critical-thinking and solving skills. I am now a PhD in English and have been teaching youth for 25+ years in the skills of reading, writing, and thinking. Even though my Ph.D. Is from Oklahoma State University (OSU), I would recommend UH because it is a highly respected, fully cultured, local, global, and global research institution very much like OSU.
UH Hilo provided my children and me with a good education, interesting opportunities, and affordable tuition all while maintaining a 'small-town' vibe.
UH is a great institution and I had a great experience.
UH is my Alma Mater, and I think that it provides a good education for the cost.

UH prepared me well for a career and higher quality of life.
Was prior student, and fortunate to have an instructor that was good at what she taught.
Affordability and Hawaiian culture/knowledge
Because I support public higher education and because of the unique opportunity to learn in an 'indigenous serving institution'
Because we are Native if we do not attend the university on our Native land the university will forever be foreign and will continue to work toward dys-placing Native peoples from our places.
College is valuable education and expands one's perspective to see Hawaii as part of the whole world from the bottom of the sea and into space, while appreciating and preserving our unique Native Hawaiian language, cultural practices, and heritage. UH is a conduit to keeping Hawaiians here at Home forever!
excellent Hawaiian studies department
for the direction that folks like Kekuhi and Tangarou and others are taking UH Hilo. For what is happening at Hawaii.
From what I've seen in the news, UH is trying to emphasize Hawaiian culture, values in modern times and addressing ethics. These are essential skills lacking in today's world and hopefully will be used in the next generation of leaders.
High level education grounded in Indigenous and Hawai'i peoples and places
It has unique degrees.
It's a complicated question. UH used to offer diverse programs not found in continental US universities. There used to be a lot of courses dedicated to the traditional arts of Hawai'i and those of other cultures around the world. However, many of the opportunities UH used to offer have been cut because of a lack of funding for education. The focus should be on quality education and not on funding a new stadium, a failing football team, and the paychecks of top administration officials.
Only school to offer degrees in Hawaiian language and studies.
Particularly UH Hilo: for someone studying Hawaiian Language and Culture, or Vulcanology at UH Hilo's geology department, or Drama.
UH offers programs and insights specific to Hawaii and the Pacific, good value, diverse student body, networking for opportunities in Hawaii and abroad
A good institution of higher education with employees that care about the students and communities we live in.
Affordable, supportive environment, have some outstanding programs
Environment and ohana. When I was attending in 1983, quality of education was subpar at best, but as I understand it UH has really grown and accomplished a quality education for all.
Excellent, accessible faculty who care deeply about the community and Hawaii's unique ecosystems.
Faculty and students have a sense of community, and faculty go beyond the classroom to support the education of their students.
For those identifying their needs, UH helps by embellishing their underlying talent..
Good place to feel comfortable in first 'adult' phase of life; get to know other folks.
Great opportunity to better my life, appreciate the higher education opportunities, UH is supportive of my educational goals, and great experience.
I do not recommend UH, as much as I recommend the community colleges where individual care and mentoring is part of the daily fabric of school-life.
I felt I learned the most at the UH Windward Community College Campus in comparison to UH Manoa. My professors cared about their students success.
I hope the curriculum is still aloha and community focused. Supporting local businesses is important.
I recommend Windward Community College because the faculty are committed to teaching students - whether is it for a certificate or as a prequel to attending a four-year institution
I would recommend UH, because each campus offers higher education for each individuals need. Whether you're a traditional student or not.
I'm assuming it is still a welcoming place that would be conducive to growth and positive experiences
In my experience, most of the instructors were excellent teachers who seem to care about providing a good level of education to students. Prices are affordable comparatively.
It is versatile and holds a small student body to professor ratio, making education more personable. It's a good liberal arts university, and ties in native Hawaiian culture in an innovative way which helps to preserve it.
It's a good option for local residents, post-covid we offer more online classes, the Community Colleges are affordable, we have a variety of degree program options and many of staff members are UH graduates so we're invested in the success of our students.
LCC and Honolulu CC Good teachers who care about their students.
Offers some good programs, teachers who are invested in Hawaii, is a good value for cost of tuition, has record of proven graduates and successful students.
Positive classroom environment
The culture of the university seems to still be inclusive and safe; gives adequate opportunities to learn Hawaiian culture and Hawaii has the best weather.
The nurturing learning environments, especially at the CC's

The professors are courteous and genuinely want their students to succeed. Deborah Hughes, Ben Zenk and Andrey Simonov go above and beyond with their students.
The teachers and close family environment
There are people within the UH system that genuinely care that students succeed. With these people in their corner, more students will be able to complete their education and further their lives.
They will be furthering their education in a comfortable area.
UH has been great at being welcoming for all students and creating safe spaces for students to flourish
UH offers a supportive environment in which people can enrich their lives, make connections, support our community and themselves in a positive future.
Welcoming campus, great faculty, and options of degrees
1) The climate & people you'll be studying with from different cultures & all walks of life 2) To be able to work while going to school without having to travel so far
A college education is an opportunity for academic and personal growth. For many who cannot afford going away to school, UH is the best option for this period of development in Hawaii. The life skills of critical thinking and perseverance are best learned in an environment where there is a diversity people to challenge the students.
Because of its inter-cultural opportunities and roots in Hawaiian culture
Because of the diversity it has to offer and more economically affordable than going away. However, if it is affordable, I also think it is a rich experience to go away for school for awhile too. Maybe there could be more exchange opportunities set up between colleges and universities on the mainland.
Because of the multiracial aspects that exposes everyone to other cultures
Broad offering of degrees and classes, diversification of students and professors, good teaching university system
Diverse
Diverse student body, lots of different majors/minors to choose from, in-state tuition is more affordable than other colleges
Diverse student population. Excellent programs and faculty. Community Colleges provide a great opportunity to begin higher education path.
Diversified University.
Diversity and family environment
Diversity in higher education is mandatory for the evolution of a better society to stave off rampant ignorance in the voting and legislating population, rescuing our planet and environment, and especially as we are moving quickly into an era of AI and automation. UH, in Hawai'i has the credentials and well rounded curriculum to provide much of what is necessary, and especially if we can find a way to preserve the uniqueness of our people, place, and culture and shape evolution in the best ways, possible.
Diversity of courses, teachers and students. To me, that makes a wonderful learning environment!
Diversity of student body, access through multiple campuses, excellent faculty
Diversity of students and faculty. Opportunities to partner with other educational institutions for more exposure and experience. One can receive an excellent education without leaving Hawaii.
Diversity of students and professors.
Diversity reflects the special Hawaiian population unlike the mainland colleges where the Asian and Pacific Islanders become a tiny population that can be treated with racism and/or violence
Diversity, affordability, excellent programs in oceanography, volcanology, astronomy, sister programs with institutions in Japan
Diversity, location, it's along the bus route, great weather, opportunities, community relations
Excellent University with opportunities for a wide variety of students with diverse goals and objectives. Regardless of future goals, a rock-solid fundamental education which can bring public-school students up-to-par in terms of the education needed to navigate the future
Good diversity of people to contribute in the classroom with different ideas and perspectives.
Hawaii is a special place that accepts people of all race and gender. it also provides a quality education for the residence of Hawaii.
I have taught at UHH and my son attended. I know that the teachers and staff are devoted to providing quality education and the ability to think critically. Also, the student body is diverse and inclusive which provides more learning opportunities outside the classroom.
I would recommend anyone to attend college to further their education. I recommend UH because the diversity of people that you meet and the sociology department. I'm an Alumni that graduated with a bachelors in psychology and sociology and the sociology department and the teachers within this department have been nothing short of amazing. I'm sure I would have dropped out or flunked had it not been for the support and resources I received through this department
I wouldn't recommend UH to every person. There are those who want to experience leaving the islands and I think that's important. However, I feel those who attend UH tend to stay in Hawaii to work. It's a diverse school that is more familiar to our cultures here. For those who may have started their families, it's a bit more accessible.
It has a diverse population with small class sizes and is affordable.
It has International coming of minds approach, an the use of real common sense.

It is culturally diverse, safe for the most part, And more affordable for locals than going to the Mainland
It is one of the most diverse universities in the US.
It's a good University with a diverse population both students and professors
It's a laboratory of diversity with the rare opportunity to sustain our Indigenous host culture.
It's a whole different atmosphere at UH with various people from different places and cultures
It's diverse student population and selection of degree programs
it's diverse, usually inclusive, and convenient.
It's in the middle of the Pacific so is more representative of different cultures than a typical college on the mainland, so your education will have a broader background.
It's not the school; it's the student. Yes other schools have better campuses and 'better' faculty, but it's my experience that it's what you bring to the table, not what you're served.
It's support for social diversity and justice seems embedded within all of its endeavors.
Located in Hawaii, with diverse population and many cultures. Closest US state to Asia, offering studies and degrees in English language and other key subjects
Location and quality of life, cultural diversity and opportunity for future employment both on and off island
Opportunities on and off campus learning, diversity in courses and community, cost
Our culture embraces tradition and is open to broaden its horizon to future growth in areas yet to be seen. UH's multicultural aspect allows for all to feel part of the whole community
The diversity of both its community and programs, and its stated commitment to being a 'Hawaiian place of learning' and to sustainability.
The diversity of staff and students.
The diversity of the student body and the Hawaii community in general, in both ethnicity and cultures, is a tremendous experience that cannot be found in many places in the United States.
The learning environment cultivated in the UH system is one of inclusion and diversity. I feel my formal education was significantly enhanced by the location, connectedness, and diversity of the faculty and students.
The socio-economic, cultural and ethnic diversity of Hawaii make it a very unique place to live and immerse in, giving UH the special identity that it has.
UH has a diverse student population and faculty. It's tuition is reasonable.
UH Hilo is diverse and has excellent, supportive and creative professors. UH Manoa has an excellent performing arts department full of diversity.
UH Manoa Campus is beautiful and welcoming and is probably one of the most integrated campuses in the US. Students have an opportunity to meet and interact with people of all ethnic backgrounds.
UH Manoa, not all campuses. I would recommend Manoa because it has as a broader diversification of studies professors and learning environments.
An investment in everyone's future
Education is important. Educated population supports democracy. Stay local.
Investing in Hawaii's future requires investing in Hawaii education system.
There's a drain of talented smart people leaving Hawaii constantly because opportunities are not here to learn grow and make a good living
Very unique opportunity to closely engage with and support a valuable culture and important environmental habitats.
Because I've seen how the system has helped my nephew who has special needs.
Community colleges provide affordable & solid foundation for students. The technical programs prepare students for a variety of jobs. UH campus' further expand educational opportunities in undergraduate & graduate programs.
Community colleges provide needed training.
Depending upon their goals the UH CAN offer students a leg-up, a broader view and a better understanding of options!
Each class size is to maintain small so students has easy access to professors. UH has programs that international students can be assisted to maintain the GPS and the transition to work is smooth.
Experience
For its cultural diversity
Higher education degree
Hilo has smaller classes
I believe in the opportunity of Education and know people who work at the 10 campuses who are dedicated to helping students achieve success.
I recommend the programs that prepare students for employment.

I recommend UH campuses that focus on job readiness and employment skills. That's useful. Everything else I don't really recommend.
It has many CTE and vocational programs that can help residents to earn more income
It is important to be able to get jobs that pay more and not go into debt
It provides real 'equity' in education. Keep it that way. You have a distinct advantage by 'being here'. Use it! Don't get wrapped up in cultural expediency promoting diversity and cultural experiments, when UNITY and ALOHA are Hawaii's strongest assets. Don't forget where your funding comes from, the aloha and the perseverance It provides real 'equity' in education. Keep it that way. You have a distinct advantage by 'being here'. Use it! Don't get wrapped up in cultural expediency promoting diversity and cultural experiments, when UNITY and ALOHA are Hawaii's strongest assets. Don't forget where your funding comes from, the aloha and the perseverance of your past alumni.
It'd recommend the community colleges first then transfer to UH. UH itself is NOT AFFORDABLE and it's especially hard to get to the campus due to the terrible parking/traffic. thank god for online classes.
It's a nice place to further your education.
It's probably the best and most suitable for my immigrant, single parent household as well as being great institution to be part of in any capacity.
It's probably the institution most highly regarded locally
More as a reminder not to leave out UH as an option (for the smart ones) and especially the CC part of it even if unsure about a 4-yr degree (for the not so smart ones).
Positive for one's psychological and physical health
small class size.
Support local public institutions
The ability to build from one degree to the next with minimal worry or concern that some credits may not transfer over.
There are many UH campus on Oahu and on the neighbor islands for one to have a college education.
There is an awareness of the importance Of being career ready at graduation.
UH continues to provide great opportunities.
UH has the resources that private institutions do not have.
UH is the best vehicle given the resources provided by a taxpaying public. When commitment by the student matches the opportunity, anything is possible.
UH supports students with disabilities.
You can take classes from any campus in the system, not just the one you are enrolled at.
A bachelors degree has now become a standard for employment
A college degree is necessary for better jobs
A flagship university should be designed to serve and educate its residents.
Accessibility and education is key to empowering all of her residents.
Affordable college tuition and close to home
After Jr. College add more classes in High school for all at risk student s to complete basic college or vocational credits. Have more scholarships available to local Hawaiian students.
All education broadens a person's outlook and skills.
Always important to have a college education.
Any education beyond high school is beneficial as it shows mental capacity, commitment and perseverance to accomplish something as you strive to create a productive and satisfactory future for yourself and others.
Any education is better than nothing.
Children and grand kids
community college feeder system
Despite the complaints and jokes, it is possible to get a good education at UH.
Don't know. I would have liked to have an option of other to this question. We are fast tracking students into college and that may not be to their best advantage. Many of our students are saddled with huge debt and not able to get a job in the field they went into debt for
For what?
Hawai'i is a unique position as a de facto U.S. State, without a deep history rooted in capitalism and racism. However, these American constructs affect Hawaiian society in every way, and make our complex issues more difficult to solve, without future UH students making micro or macro level decisions for new leadership and change.
Higher education is important.

Higher Education is key to Happiness and success.
I am a graduate & I received my degrees there.
I am a graduate and appreciate the education I received. It has served me well in my career. I am now retired.
I graduated from a public college on the mainland. I received a great education as well as it was a great experience.
I had a great experience attending UH, particularly the Community Colleges.
I have attend the U.H. system in the past. I speak from my own experience. Ahui Hou, cs
I moved from MN to UH Hawaii Manoa in the late 70s. I thankfully came in open to learning about Hawaii ,its people and culture. I've treasured this experience and knowledge as I've moved on and away from Hawaii. I brought my ' local boy' husband with me but our daughter lives on Oahu, relishes her Hawaiian heritage as does our son. UH grad school was nurturing to me and provided me with a more global outlook(everyone comes to Hawaii) and skills for a career that I've only recently retired from. I'll always be grateful for that surprise opportunity in my life.
I would recommend agriculture. We need more programs that train for local sustainable business. Auto repairs, carpenter, plumber, electrical hands on classes.
If you know how to make the most of your time at UH and you have the right attitude and drive, it can be an enormously valuable experience personally and in building a career
It depends on the program.
It is a decent education that can lead to larger aspirations.
it is a good school.
It provides opportunities to learn many things and meet many people
It's a path to potentially new opportunities. A college education is path for future opportunities.
Knowledge is good. The UH system can give you access to knowledge.
Learning is fun. I wish UH would make it easier for the community to attend courses. The application and registration process is way too onerous right now, in my view.
Molokai Education Center Leeward Community College
My answer is actually, 'maybe'. It depends on the persons goals.
ONLY UH Manoa. period. Uh Hilo is coming along, as is the Leeward campus, just not there yet. If you want, or need to live in Hawaii, Uh system is all we've got. Let's try to make it better.
Opportunity to further quality of life in Hawaii.
Programs may have the right fit
Seeing too many poorly educated people, frankly.
To increase their knowledge on whatever the choose to do in life
To invest in ourselves

Why do you not recommend the UH?

Leadership that doesn't lead
Confusing registration system. No counselors available. Paralyzing bureaucracy. Poor quality if education.
There are a lot of internal issues that need assessing, evaluating, and revamping.
Right now, I think the UH is not focused on education. Balancing budgets and vocational training have their purpose, but they are not the only aspects of the university that are important.
UH is just a cash grab that doesn't care about it's students, faculty, staff, or community partnerships outside of certain niche markets
Poor management, bad reputation. Academia is too thick for a state school. Need to hire professors who actually worked in the industries not career educators. Need to improve online tele-education process and re-do contract with provide.
The red tape, the lack of intention, the faculty who live in boxes because they are not encouraged to be creative and experimental, the factions of haves and have nots amongst those who sit in positions of power, the lack of focus on what's ethical and essential (why does the football coach make more than the governor and childcare is still not subsidized across the system for all families? Why are campuses not more family friendly? Sexist much?) UH has a LONG way to go to be seen as a value to the community it resides in... it's not pono
The decline in academic programs is directly attributable to the decline in leadership from both the Regents and the UH administration over many years now. They have not advocated for nor used the autonomy of UH to battle against the increased hostility and attacks from the Legislators and the Executive branch.
I have heard the working environment is toxic and there is no support for the outer islands. Or should I say any other place than Manoa.
UH is impacted. Hard to get the classes that you need. Plus they make the admission process so difficult. Better experience enrolling into a private university than UH.
Horrible administration and very political. Likes to say they are an indigenous serving institution but actions speak otherwise. 0/10 university system get your shit together
I don't believe that they are as innovative or forward thinking as they should be and the leadership appears to only promote those from within as well as those who think like they do without looking to the future or varying ideas.
Ongoing, long-term budget woes may affect students, physical state of campus is poor compared to other campuses on the mainland, inappropriate legislative oversight may affect students, leadership seems focused on cutting costs rather than the university's mission or broad goals.
trend to on-line education alienates people and people skills
I would recommend that they do what they want and not go to a college just because.
This was a hard yes/no question. Ultimately, I do not think that the money spent going to school will directly reflect on a person's post-college outcomes. This is not a specific indictment of UH and the UH system, but rather the secondary education system at large.
College is a scam set up by colonizers. You can learn anything you need to know through work experience.
College seems like a waste of money in Hawai'i
The emphasis on sports is predominantly showcased, and therefore it seems that the academics is lacking. Not all schools in the UH system is being praised for their contributions and so its unclear if you are not an athlete, that UH system is right for you.
It lacks the healthcare programs that address our aging population's needs. Many of the courses offered, are out of date and lack the current educational needs for the future population of Hawaii and the rest of the US. They lack these needs, because the instructors are too old and set in their ways, and are unwilling to educate themselves on modern techniques and products. Most have no reason to educate themselves for their students because of Tenure.
Not a balanced education.
At the current stage, it is not well known for academic excellence
Caliber of education per tuition to pay, better off going to a Mainland university.
Course selections, course availability, and teachers are terrible.
The cost and quality is extremely subpar compared to other state schools. Out of state students who become residents are ineligible/denied residency tuition. Graduate and professional programs lack the necessary resources (DKICP students lost their online access to textbooks and other online resources that are readily available at every other pharmacy program, pharmacy school labs are improperly funded requiring students to reuse single use items (e.g. weigh boats) which is mocked by visiting national organizations; the medical school had a lab explode due to facilities neglect resulting in a student losing her arm; lack of unbiased professors toward local students; lack of credentialed faculty at the DKICP (e.g. recent hires are recent graduates with less than 2 years experience, faculty is given tenure despite having multiple complaints about bullying and harassing students; and the practice of nepotism). UH did not provide me and others, opportunities promised during acceptance interviews and throughout the program which resulted in lost employment opportunities and educational resources. Opportunities for professional development, which is seen as common place and part of a reputable university and program is non-existent. There are no plans for any of these issues to be improved. UH has no scholarship, endowments, or financial assistance for DKICP students. Most financial assistance is for Pacific Island and Asian students and very little for pharmacy students. The UH-Hilo library lacks reliable A/C, study areas with modern whiteboards (why are there felt pinboards being used in 2020 and beyond); the hours are inconsistent and is inconsistently neglected as evidenced by the constant repairs needing to be completed. Also, I would not recommend UH-Hilo because of the

parking pass rules. In order to attend classes I need one parking pass and in order to use the library I must have another. No student should be required to pay for 2 passes because they would like to use the library and avoid becoming soaked from the rain by parking in the parking lot closest to it. Lastly, UH-Hilo has an unwelcoming community to anyone who does not look like them. There is no housing if you have a family and that which you do have is in dire need of updating for the cost.
Did not learn much of anything. The academics are subpar.
The products of HI's educational system tend to be sub-par at best. I work in public health and was partially trained for it at UH. I found the curricula to be insufficient and a little outdated for the community's needs.
Lack of academic rigor.
I feel that UH competitiveness and direction, as a whole, is not on par with some of the Public Mainland Universities
Too many requirements to meet before you can study what you are interested in
UH is hype with no substance. UH is not supportive; success is not a shared goal between student and staff.
Poor support for students from administration staff, despite a majority of teachers being excellent educators
There are too many changes that are not student centered and are happening without any conversation among the community
The State is too expensive, and there are too few jobs that support high level technical training requiring a college and /or post-grad degree right now.
They don't make it friendly for students who don't dorm on campus. Parking is expensive and food is not cheap on campus for those that have to commute. Also compared to other colleges UH seems very outdated.
The drive for online education, the lack of face-to-face instruction, the software applications are not always up to date. UH lacks vision its future.
I don't recommend UH because of archaic technologies making critical services and procedures difficult to complete; large classes that don't provide individual attention and the right environment to participate in class; aging campus facilities; and anecdotal difficulties getting academic advising support in planning out courses for registration and registration support to get all required classes so that graduation occurs in a timely 4 years.
The university does not invest in newer technology, science and other tools that are common at universities and colleges on the mainland.
Facilities are outdated, teaching is mediocre and campus lacks college life.
Facilities are not updated, technology is behind with the times, and courses are not extraordinary. I feel a lot of parts of it stems from UH being a commuter campus, therefore there isn't a push to improve the campuses because majority of students are not there 24/7. But when you compare UH to other campuses, UH in it's aesthetics and academics, are lacking behind.
Because of it's antiquated registration system and it's history of dropping classes after registration.
Want family to have the mainland experience
My family members would all qualify for, and get more out of, better schools.
Other institutions on the mainland provide opportunities to graduate in 4 years. Teachers at UH are not helping the students within their selected programs. Teachers are inconsistent and not on the same agenda
There are so many more higher-quality educational institution that utilize their resources more effectively. Many Hawaiian are trapped in a ceremonial society. Tradition matters too much. There is no meritocracy in Hawaii.
So many more opportunities abroad and on the mainland.
I wanted my child to see more of the world and understand her place if/when she returns to Hawaii
Not a traditional campus (it's more a commuter campus than a traditional college experience). It's important to get experiences beyond Hawaii, especially if you grew up here. It's not necessarily a weakness of UH, just something that I think is necessary for a young person to do to build up resilience and independence.
Mainland schools are better.
The world does not function like Hawaii. We encouraged our sons to be educated on the mainland to broaden their perspective for how the world behaves. Unfortunately their view was broaden so wide that Hawaii did not offer the employment opportunities for them to return to the islands.
I am originally from another state and moving to Hawaii for any reason especially college is impractical and expensive. There are better mainland schools and opportunities that allow you to avoid the trappings of Hawaii life.
It depends on the discipline. If the student wants a good liberal arts education, I think other colleges may offer more well-rounded curricula.
Better schools, scholarships and opportunities on the mainland
mainland schools are way better
I feel it's important to go away for school.
In state kids should go out of state to learn something about the world out of Hawaii.
Most UH grads do not have the skill set for today's workforce needs.
Zero focus on jobs or careers, unlike better schools.
I don't because I find the education backward rather than forward and not at all aligned to the needs of employers

Too focused on supporting local jobs and local economy is too narrow for professional careers.
Not good enough, no job prospects
The degrees are too long and unfocused. I had to go to another school to take courses relevant to the job market. I didn't get the right skills to succeed professionally in Hawaii.
Because what I have experienced of their graduates leaves me unimpressed with the outcomes of their ed program.
They are racist now, and seem to only spout the rhetoric of educating native Hawaiians. Everyone of any other color is left out and made to feel less.
Professors and course content are far leftwing politically, trying to indoctrinate students on their viewpoints. That's especially clear on issues related to Hawaiian history, sovereignty.
too one-sided thinking.
Professors, instructors, and staff are mired in local politics and influencing local politics, making education a secondary priority. Education should be a university's first and major priority, followed by research, then benefits to the greater community. Politics and influence on politics follows those priorities, but not immediately.
Not until all campuses have equal opportunity for all attending.
UH does not provide equitable support for all campuses. Leadership, in their Oahu-centric silo, do not give outer-island campuses the same level of attention, and instead of ensuring outer-island campuses are adequately staffed, leadership is instead cannibalizing jobs from campus-level offices in order to feed their 'Central/System Office', also located on Oahu. This is a disservice to outer-island students and to the state as a whole. This kind of bureaucracy alienates neighbor island communities and degrades the quality of the education and services they receive from UH.
To expensive and it's difficult to actually finish in 4 years or faster.
Other WUE schools provide better and more diverse education at a cheaper tuition than UH. Education in itself by going away for schooling on the mainland....a local cannot learn/experience living in a different State and time zone. Last promotional commercials tried to make UH look like a party school....this was years ago, pre-COVID.
Cost, lack of financial relief for disabled persons.
I would never recommend UH, because it is so very unaffordable. When compared to California, where the community colleges charge only \$46/unit. Hawaii's CC's charge \$131/unit Hawaii residents pay 178% more for community college than California residents. This needs to change. We need to prioritize residents, and lower tuition costs at all levels of higher education! UH is a rip-off!
Cost of education, for local residents is the same as sending them to the mainland.
Insufficient financial aid, unavailable core courses in a timely manner, high cost, college work study or internship within the community. Programs to work with DOE so that partial college loan can be deducted or deferred while doing college work study and attending college. Win-win
To expensive should be free
Cost of a college education. When a student finds a job, they are in debt and cannot make a living in Hawaii since the price is too high. Trade schools or certification schools are much cheaper and tend to keep them on the islands.
Too expensive for locals, can't afford schooling with Hawaii's economy prices. Too much mainland kids, feels like locals are the minority when I attended UH.
Cost
too costly
UH is super well positioned to be a great resource for people from Hawaii and those who want to work/do research in Hawaii. For undergraduates, though, it's expensive and could do more to better support local and Pacific Islander students. For graduates, the siloed departments and bureaucracy makes applied, interdisciplinary research challenging. But, there are a lot of great faculty and staff at UH that are working to make change, just need more top down support.
It's too expensive for what you are getting and UH system over works their staff.
I don't feel heard as part of the Hawaiian community
My recommendation would depend on what they wanted to study. While UH has some awesome areas of expertise, the areas where my friends and family are likely to want to focus are not part of the UH strengths.
My family lives on the mainland and do not like to travel
Because the reason for me choosing UH will probably have nothing to do with the reason someone else chooses UH. Whatever circumstances affect a student's choice of UH, UH has to stand on its own merits
Covid guidelines are no longer needed and staff and faculty need to get back to full time in person work and classes. The rest of the state is open, why not UH? Get back to work!
Not sure what makes a UH degree special.
They would have to pay out-of-state tuition.

I do not recommend attending Manoa ever.
Went broke.
The question was if I would recommend it to a family member which is very different from recommending it in general
Although UH is somewhat affordable, unless a student knows exactly what they need to get, they will not be served by the programs or teachers at Manoa to get a high quality education.
Closest campus is 70 miles away.

What is one thing you would like the UH to do in the future?

Provide programming for the developmentally disabled Hold leadership accountable
Better serve the Kānaka 'Ōiwi and Pacific Islander community through stronger mentorship programs, financial aid, community-engaged, interdisciplinary research, leadership and faculty positions held by Kānaka 'Ōiwi and Pacific Islanders.
More early access programs for k-13 students
Make it possible for kids of limited means.
Get involved in the high school level.
Work more closely with K-12 education system so more students are prepared and advance to and graduate with higher ed degree.
More outreach to underserved communities.
remember that our state has a diverse constituency, and that supporting everyone is not a zero-sum game. By all means support and nurture Native Hawaiians: we are grateful to live here! But remember that our state also has other under-represented groups who need our love and care. Philippine-heritage students are just one of those populations. Mahalo
Provide opportunities for local students to obtain higher skill levels.
Expand on non-traditional student learning.
Focus on the underserved
Offer programs with college credit to all Hawaii high school students, particularly online courses.
Reach out to high school students who don't know how to even try to apply for or look for things to study or be in college. Educate the younger generation and lead them to a future at the University.
Be more inclusive! UH does a dismal job in hiring people with disabilities.
Retain students who are residents
Outreach to Hawaiians, Micronesians, seniors and non-traditional students
Offer all appropriate classes for a student to get his/her degree, i.e., if a student is majoring in aquaculture, UH needs to offer all appropriate classes needed for that degree at that UH site.
Advocate more for underserved areas. Hawaii island may be one county but it is big geographically and having opportunities in Hilo is about the same as them being on Oahu if you're from Kona. Expand Palamanui and stop acting like because you invested in HCC system you've done the job for Hawaii island residents. You haven't if the investments are only at UH Hilo and HCC in Hilo.
Provide more opportunities/support for local students to attend. Support high schools provide programs like Waipahu high school.
moderate entrance qualifications so more students of decent but not excellent academics can attend.
Provide more dual enrollment options to high school students and provide college prep bootcamps
Focus on providing education opportunities for our 3, including supporting them to increase their chances of graduating (i.e. retention). Focus on educational quality over quantity (enrollment).
Access to more residents of Hawaii.
More assistance for local youth that don't have the resources or family support to attend college
Level-entry learning classes available online.. like intro to Hawaiian literature/folklore/etc. similar cultural/liberal arts seminars.
It may be helpful for UH to work with local public schools to more effectively identify and encourage individual students aptitude and propensity toward career path: academia, public service, construction trades, athletics, armed forces, etc.: to help kids sharpen their focus.
Make serving residents a priority. Offer financial, wellness, and educational support so that no student gets left behind, and then they leave UH actually ready to start their career without the burden of debt.
Continue to encourage local kids to stay home and attend its school.
Prepare high school students to succeed at college.
Encourage greater enrollment by first generation students (i.e. those whose parents and other family members have not had the opportunity to obtain a college degree).
offer more access opportunities to the disadvantaged
Offer opportunities that provide for the future of all students
Provide workshops for foster and low income students who may not be able to navigate the financial aid and college application process. Institute mentoring programs for all new students to help them transition and stay in college.
Provide education for all State of Hawaii residents.
Reach young Hawaiian and local children and their parents to help educate and help them understand why it is so important to work hard towards completing a degree. And also understand the financial support, grants, scholarships available. Too many kids may have roadblocks such as adhd, etc., but with early detection/behavioral learning to overcome obstacles, these children can become part of the UH higher education success stories. Too many children are not being reached at early age to know that the future possibilities are endless. The key is taking advantage of the 13 years of the free k-12 public school education that is essentially over

\$100K at the end of 12th grade. People do not understand the value of public school until you really look at the cost at its face value. It seems public school education is not valued because there is no cost to the child,
Be actively trying to keep our educated young folks here
Invest more in its classes and faculty. Increase access and support Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders.
Would like UH to help other races besides just the Hawaiians with experiences and finances in different fields (science, engineering, public awareness, etc.) offered by the university.
Enroll more Hawaiians and other ethnic groups
Better prepare students at the lower levels to attend universities. Coming out of a public school setting, I didn't even know I needed a year of foreign language to enter some universities even though I had really good grades. Thus, I attended UH for one year to take a required foreign language. Prepare public school students as well as the private schools do for higher education alternatives. Where were my counselors? Only attending to the 'trouble' kids.
I would like UH to continue providing access to educational opportunities to underserved communities, including Native Hawaiians and recent immigrants.
Make it attainable/reachable for all students to get an education in Manoa. Being able to walk, dorm, housing, dine, shop, study, work all within radius. Not needing cars, parking. Make it easier, workable for students.
Do more outreach to the disadvantaged and socially challenged communities to create an easier path to higher education.
Have more accessibility to Education to those less fortunate. For example paper applications for those without a computer.
Create ongoing user-friendly connections/relationships with local elementary, middle and high schools (on neighbor islands as well) to develop connections to youth and ownership of the educational process.
be more attractive to academically sound and athletically talented high school graduates to 'stay home.'
Provide more programs to accept more underprivileged students
Promote UH more in the high schools. Show interest in our haumāna so that we don't lose them to mainland schools that actively recruit students.
Give lesser fortunate students a means to get a college degree
Reach out to those @ Hawaii economic poverty level. We're all here as teachers and believe in our people
Invest time energy in the lower education system, Pre-K-12, to ensure that residents of Hawaii can one day benefit from the U.H. system if they so chose, when they become of age.
Establish performance centers or college centers or special libraries in the communities where college students can access research, study and meet other students with similar interests; where high school students can meet and find out more information on what it's like to be in college or prepare for college; a place in the community where students preparing for college can meet other students preparing for college. College campuses are great, but I don't see them encouraging this so maybe smaller libraries or resource centers in the community might work better to prepare and encourage students to go to college.
Be an innovative and inspiring institution that offers exemplary higher education and is accessible to all Hawaii residents who want it.
Giving help to the college students that don't know what to do after college
Assist local communities in applying for higher education and job opportunities, especially low income areas. Facilitate a program in high schools with high density low income students.
Make learning and getting a degree more accessible
assure the widest possible access to its offering
Build more certification problems and programs that tailor our community and the need.
Restructure make dominated areas of focus (football, sciences, trades) and really look at the values of Hawai'i and emulate those-ohana, uplifting women, strengthening the pathway for the youngest... do it differently... topple the top heavy admin choke hold on the system
do not concentrate on graduating only doctors and lawyers, labor force is lacking
Focus more on education-to-career help. Beyond having a resource available, have it be necessary to review what students are taking and what they plan to do post college. I am first generation college graduate and I didn't have a good trajectory for post-college as no one in my family could advise on it. I wasn't aware what steps I needed to make to make my degree and skillset marketable.
Invest more in blue-collar schooling
Augment and advocate for science based jobs training and decision making across all employment venues in the State and ensure UH students are competitive world-wide, not just for Hawaii.
Be transparent with their policies and offer more opportunities for students to gain the necessary skills for the job forces.
Address the needs of Hawaii, provide adequate programs that will fill vacant jobs here. We need teachers, we need Police Officers, we need Social Workers / Counselors and Mental Health providers that will sustain our way of life.
Focus on entrepreneur training to help student create a more diverse economic environment with the emphasis on international marketing and cooperation.
Partner with big corporations and financial institutions to recruit on UH.

Review and revise degree requirements. Offer courses or program tracks that lead to a career field. Oftentimes students select the easy way out and go for art or psychology degrees but few end up having successful careers in those fields.
Emphasize more of the trade skills along with the intellectual paths and become more affordable, especially for the local populace.
Improve quality of current programs. For example, better teachers, expand opportunities for students to find jobs in their field.
Offer more career tracks.
School to work programs from HS, or join military. Help to provide housing or entrepreneurship opportunities.
Discourage students from majors where there are no job prospects.
strengthen and expand vocational training programs
Have the DOE focus on other skills than college prep. I would rather see Hawaii students as carpenters and not working at Costco.
Provide tuition-free teacher education programs. My elementary education students graduate with about \$25,000 in student loans and their beginning salaries are \$50,000/ year. This is one of the reason fewer people are pursuing a career in education. They can't afford to become teachers.
education for the Hawaiian people to survive with a good paying job.
Support paid internships. They offer essential skills, but in the humanities, students usually have to pay for a full semester class and then volunteer many hours for credit.
Connect more with K-12 and employers. Are we really preparing students for jobs? Or are they just being thought theory?
Expand opportunities for college degrees to local kids, make it affordable and diversified
Provide education for the jobs in Hawaii, and work with public and private sector to grow meaningful employment here for graduates...
Graduates need jobs when they get out. UH needs to do a better job making sure those jobs exist in Hawaii if it is to offer degrees in those fields.
Tell students during orientation how to evaluate the future income prospects of various majors. They don't have to do the thing that will make them rich, but future income potential should be a factor in their decision making. UH can teach that financial literacy right from the top.
Value their employee's various functions more evenly and fairly.
Encourage more connectivity with working Hawaii residents to create a sustainable economy and job future for graduates.
Incorporate practicums or cooperative education into ALL the programs to require students to get real life experience and relate it to their major. Work is part of the learning experience.
Align more closely with needs in the employment market. Use your brain power to anticipate and not react. Target needs and work with legislature to ensure adequate funding to implement
I would like to have the COMMUNITY COLLEGES be given INTERNSHIP opportunities for ALL students to follow in their CAREER PATHS. An excellent example is the City and County of Honolulu renewed their Emergency Medical Academy to ASSIST in TRAINING and FILLING EMT positions here in Hawai'i! Also classes like the ones you partnered with businesses and the community during the pandemic.
Educate more people in the medical field who remain in Hawaii to practice
Provide more vocational education type courses and expand to those populations that don't have the means to attend or get training. Work with private industry to provide apprenticeship type programs for students.
Teach practical job skills - College education is far too academic
Invest in emerging professions AND core skills and knowledge.
Help set up education for high paying jobs in Hawaii
Tailor the training to mesh with what the professional needs are, particularly in the outer island areas
Provide more support to departments and programs that are already forming connections with the private sector and community at large.
Provide education, training, and internship experiences in programs that lead to actual jobs and are needed now to fill the unfilled jobs in Hawaii.
Provide graduates to needy areas I.e. teaching, Health care, etc.
Valorize the Trades!
Continue to expand STEM programs which represent the most important jobs for the future.
I would like the executives who are in positions to make decisions to work with their everyday desk worker/student so that they can see what improvements they have done AND haven't done that have affected the students and their careers.
prioritize business, tech degrees. less spending on football -- just accept it that UH football in Div 2 level.
Offer programs/courses that are almost like internships where students get hands on training to prep them for a full time job
Already doing it...prepare people for productive careers.
Figure out how to keep graduates in Hawaii while being well-rounded contributors to our community.
be leader in meeting workforce needs

Work more closely with the DOE in providing preservice training to future teachers. Real hands on opportunities with greatly benefit any student who chooses teaching as a career.
Continue to try & keep top students in Hawaii. Help students connect with future employers or grad school -here or elsewhere.
Provide education geared towards jobs in Hawaii
Focus on future jobs.
Develop more programs to help students in shortage areas like teaching, nursing, engineering, etc.
The State of Hawaii has a major shortage of physicians. It would be good if UH could provide more funding for our medical school. Although the number of students per class has increased, the number of staff in the Office of Medical Education has remained the same. Problem-Based Learning (PBL) is the major curriculum for preclerkship education. The medical school is very reliant on volunteer faculty as PBL tutors. It is tough every year to acquire sufficient number of faculty to tutor in PBL. So bottom line is that better funding could fix all of the above.
Increase Hawaii high school graduates entry into high paying healthcare jobs such as Medicine, nursing, DNP and PA programs.
Determine future job needs in this state and provide areas if study to fulfill those needs.
At the community college level an increase in vocational education programs. At the University level greater collaboration with Hawaii technology based companies to supply well a qualified workforce.
Continue building better connections with the business community and develop internship and work programs that can connect students with employers so there is a smooth transition from college to the work environment.
Service people that are willing to stay and provide service for our community
Offer more 'hands on' training. Provide more programs for people wanting to learn a trade.
Invest in collaborating rating with non profits to have guided paths into the work force after graduation
More partnerships with local business community
Have a stronger nursing program that partners with health care providers to suit their forecasted needs
Assess relevance of programs offered and align to future needs of society.
I would love to see UH take the lead on filling high-priority vacancies in education, medicine, and social work, as well as sustainability, agriculture, and non-tourism economic development.
Improve the quality of its graduates. I know business and education graduates who lack college level vocabulary
Maintain and develop courses of study that Hawaiian residents can pursue that will benefit the community and allow graduates to make a decent living while remaining on island.
Be more front and center in working on solutions to the major issues facing the state. They don't need to solve the problems, but they can serve as the convenors and provide information and support to others.
Transition into job faster before graduation with internships
Do more certificate programs for working professionals . Like other universities.
Job prep
Stay the course with priorities 2 and 3: research, innovation, entrepreneurship, technology sustainability, diversification, energy and addressing climate change
More opportunities for residents, trade school, apprenticeships and immersive programs with high schools and local non profits
Offer more trades classes on a fast track for high school students
Collaborate with local industries to provide a pipeline from education to career.
Provide new innovative opportunities for training and work force development that do not require a commitment of several years to complete.
Better connection between graduates and careers locally
Highlight different non traditional UH college majors that graduates work in our state .
Educate and train graduates to fill needs in areas with critical shortages.
Increase accepting the Nursing pool of applicants. Hawaii shouldn't have to bring in traveling nurses as there are so many students applying and not getting in because ?????
I would love to see an alumni hiring event for those who want to return home, especially since it is notoriously hard to land a job within the system.
work closely with the private sector to expand local business, entrepreneurship, new developments in technology, climate change, etc. for Hawaii's future generations
Continue to grow and ally with governmental and non-governmental agencies to provide paid and unpaid internships to better equip graduates to enter the work force. The social work undergraduate program required internships at both the undergraduate and graduate level. This allows students to invaluable knowledge and skill that prepared them for the work force.
I would like to see more lecturers and professors with professional experience.
Engage in more internship programs with Hawaii businesses to help their graduates get their foot in the door.
I would like to see more apprenticeship programs.

Increase mentorship opportunities from alumni or from various professions that students may not know about due to limited majors/subject matter
Focus on jobs that need to be filled on Oahu whether it be a plumber, carpenter or IT person.
Train our people for better employment.
Ensure that its programs and curricula meet the future needs of students and how they can best learn and contribute to the future of society and our community. Look to the future then identify the broad spectrum of ways in which students will be consuming educational content, learning for trades or careers, then deploying their skills in the community.
Expand its education to include how to provide jobs and smart comfortable lifestyles for Hawaiians to thrive in Hawaii. Let go of 'luxury' and Let go of 'selling our land.' Some if not most land should stay in the ownership of Hawaiians. One can lease their land, but always retain title to it.
Inform students what types of jobs there might be in the future for Hawaii and across the mainland.
It's hard to just pick one but I would say: Opportunities for students to work with professionals in the industry to resolve pressing issues that would benefit the future.
Focus on curriculum that will afford the students and community to survive in the state.
Offer more internship opportunities for more majors to help graduates transition into a job after graduation.
Understand that a traditional college education is NOT for most people which means most need classes in entrepreneurship and HR to survive in the private sector because less than 1% is going to become a fundamental scholar.
Provide more opportunities for students to do internships in our communities leading to opportunities for them to stay here and make a living wage after graduation.
Survey major employers that have/do not have regional offices in Hawaii to find out what is needed to have them expand, or start, hiring in Hawaii.
Interact with businesses in all fields.
Be an example for the State and DOE to look to.
Be sure graduates are prepared for employment.
Push employment and job placement. Help students help themselves and their families.
Offer more trade classes.
Prepare graduates with the necessary critical thinking skills to survive in the future
Support more tangible outcomes for graduates. Employment should be the number one focus.
Create more programs reaching out to high school students that focus on exposing them to potential majors and the job outlook for those majors.
Severely restructure the math requirements. Math requirements ought to be tailored toward degree programs with math that will be used for the degree program only. Many community college students dropout because they cannot complete the ridiculous math requirements.
Invest in more vocational programs.
Prepare its students for the future. UH should strive to show that it is lead well in all aspects which should lead to greater funding from the public and legislature.
Work with the business community.
Orientate programs & research to hi-tech jobs.
Bring more research/internship opportunity for students.
Create solid career plans for their students to ensure they have a job at the end of the degree.
Develop relationship with local businesses and agencies to offer paid apprenticeship as part of student academic curriculum.
Help promote higher wages and continue to be an excellent partner.
Continue with educational support of the tourism industry. Hawaii will always be a destination for many travelers who have yet to visit the islands. This is a big part of our revenue for the state.
- provide real-work internship oppty in the Hawaii business community - provide more liaisons with other pacific island nations - I'm not sure what it means to get a UH degree. What does UH represent?
Encourage more local kids to stay home by providing better educational opportunities that can parlay into actual careers to sustain and build the local economy
Prepare students so that they may continue to reside here if they want to.
Provide vocational training.
provide more experiential learning opportunities and workforce development support
Interface with high school students and businesses in the community more.
Focus on encouraging Hawaii residents to attend college here and find satisfying work to be able to stay and reside in Hawaii.
Offer more programs that relate to jobs in Hawaii. College is not for everyone but job training is.

Properly support it's professional schools, which fuel the economy.
Work to increase the number of students getting degrees in health care.
Ensure educational excellence
focus on improving Hawaii for residents
Be more responsive to local issues. For example, would be helpful to have cooking classes in the UH/Maui space (or in a nearby commercial kitchen.)
Focus more on disciplines that are unique to Hawaii: Hawaiian language and culture, tropical agriculture, sustainability...
Be more proactive instead of reactive. Help State of Hawaii get better instead of same-old-same-old it's good-enough attitude.
Explore program development that helps graduates remain in the islands to reduce 'brain drain' and contribute to leadership here and throughout the Pacific region.
To be the best college in Hawaii
Have he colleges and campuses work together to solve Hawaii issues. TMT protests supported by UH Hawaiian Studies should never have happened. What happened to discourse within before taking to community protests? Super Ferry should have been addressed by Marine Biology and Business campuses. Do the whales really not 'see' a huge fast approaching boat? What is the business implications of the Super Ferry to the Hawaii economy versus special interest groups that would be impacted by another mode of transportation? (Car rental companies, airlines, shipping lines?) Was it a surprise to anyone that the EK Fernandez circus on Maui used the Super Ferry to transport? The circus was moved in hours instead of days!! UH should engage and encourage conversation on critical Hawaii issues as a means to learn viewpoints. Not just from students but also the community. then use the outcomes as points of critical thinking student discussion.
Contribute to research tackling Hawaii's problems.
Continue to be trailblazers in research and technology.
Retain more world-renown faculty.
Expand STEM opportunities for Hawaii residents.
Specialize in subject matters that utilizes geographic, environmental, political, climatic and social advantages of Hawaii.
Be way more involved in addressing solutions to the on-going chronic issues that plague our State and residents with preference given to lower socioeconomic areas of the islands/
Stay relevant to the changing needs and demands of upcoming generations.
Increase the national ranking to attract more residents to attend college here. If they attend college in State, more chances they will find jobs here in Hawaii.
I am a social work manager - UH should continue to focus on the unique cultural, economic, and physical challenges we face in Hawaii, and especially continue to advocate for and promote equitable access to resources similar to those available for those on the mainland.
Build, acquire, expand and focus university resources to address local issues and problems. UH needs to be more relevant and be recognized as the primary center for knowledge and solutions for Hawaii's issues and problems.
Build the TMT, and not let a small but vocal group block our world-class astronomy program.
Keep supporting the industries that make Hawai'i more self-sustaining, especially the fields of agriculture, alternative energy, and also native species survival.
Intensely focus on training local, culturally informed, leaders in research
Continue with the quality research studies and emphasize sustainability, especially since we are on an island.
Be proactive in curriculum choices geared to the world of tomorrow.
Continue balanced education at a high level of proficiency.
Find a way to sustain and provide learning opportunities to local technology workforce competitive, to include former graduates, mid-level and aging, and eventually the greater community, who are being outpaced by emerging tech.
Expand and provide programs focusing on local concerns
Be front footed on research, education and development of sustainable energy.
For myself increase research in our sciences/medical especially
Be an institution of higher education and not just another for profit scam, and I say this not just about UH but all colleges countrywide
Increase its research capacity in Hawaii and the Pacific.
Continue to Improve reputation across mainland
Work on increasing the effectiveness of resources spent in Hawaii. Help eliminate bureaucracy and wasteful spending.
Improve the quality and standards of basic courses
Concentrate on expanding programs and majors that support STEMS to diversify and lessen our dependence on Tourism economics.
Diversify

I think UH should be working to attract non- tourist industries, work with native Hawaiians to document, preserve, and further Hawaiian culture, and be working with high schools across the state to prepare our students for the new Hawaiian economy.
academics first end diversified incentives -- it is inherently racist
Help more teams of students start companies to create more diversity beyond tourism.
Be a catalyst for economic diversity to support job creation
UHM to focus on research and developing the economy
Promote and develop more non-tourist specific related industries.
Increase focus and opportunities for non-tourism related fields.
Invest in its research and help move Hawaii away from a tourism dependent economy. So we can have less tourism density and more diverse economic and job opportunities that are sustainable, with lower environmental impact. Focus on conservation of nature and Hawaii infrastructure needs by educating leaders and workers for those areas.
Be a more active leader in the design of a more balanced and diversified economy; especially taking advantage of working the land as a means of also retaining Native Hawaiian cultural values.
Become more visibly relevant regarding taking advantage of Hawaii's economic and climate change resilience opportunities together with care, malama pono, for Hawaii's land and people as a whole.
Help focus education on helping the state economy
Make it easier for funding agencies to send and support research within the colleges. Provide safe and modern environment for students to want to stay and conduct research.
Help Hawaii's economy grow and be competitive in the global market.
Provide stimulation for economic development, promote research.
Help build a diversified economy that provides more job opportunities for Hawaii youth
Not support TMT. Serve the Native Hawaiian community more.
Education of the Hawaii culture. Cheaper tuition.
Truly invest in and value and listen to the native Hawaiians already on campus as students, faculty, staff and administrators.
Listen to the Hawaiian community
Free tuition to Native Hawaiians
Fight for Native Hawaiian rights and respect their culture.
Increase funding for Hawaiian language and Hawaiian Studies at UH-Maui so more instructors can be hired and more courses offered. Several catalog courses are rarely offered anymore, or I'd still be there.
Give up management of the 'Mauna' to the Hawaiian people, where it belongs. I truly believe that there are Both kumu and haumāna that would look for advancement and intellectual development of the mauna.
I'd like to see Hawaiian language and history classes be more accessible to general public
Elevate Hawaiian students with access , financial support, high level career options, and learner access for all levels of learner
Provide substantial and tangible support for Hawaiian students and faculty.
recognize native Hawaiian indigenous knowledge by providing an academic certificate.
Hire more people from Hawai'i, or people that at the very least believe in bringing back our language and learning about our culture.
Require every student to take a Hawaiian education course to improve at least one aspect of Hawaii.
Embed Native Hawaiian culture and history throughout its curriculum, operations, hiring, and management
Offer more/better scholarships for people of Hawaiian descent.
More emphasis on integrating the Hawaiian culture and language for all attending students
Continue to encourage newcomers to the campus to learn more about Hawaiian culture. I would include this as a graduation requirement.
Prioritize Hawaiian culture and values and really truly act on it, not just in words but in elevating the voices of Hawaiians and ensuring they are in leadership roles within the UH system.
Keep the Hawaiian Culture at the base of all programs.
Respect the native people and land
Management of Mauna Kea being more sensitive to Hawaiian cultural practices
stronger commitment to addressing the teacher shortage for Hawaiian language immersion K-12 public schools
Represent Hawaiian people. Stop TMT
Graduate more math science special education and Hawaiian language teachers.
Hawaiian language for all graduates and their 'ohana.

Be an advocate for Native Hawaiians and eliminate the racist statements by some faculty and the implied racism in decisions. Native Hawaiians are not the same as any other racial group that lives in Hawai'i and as such the University should uphold and respect Native Hawaiian knowledge, people and culture.
Offer a well rounded college education to native Hawaiians at no cost.
Resolve the issues between science and native Hawaiian community, using resources within the UH
Give up the management of Mauna Kea.
Support Hawaiian goals before corporate goals.
Focus more on sustainability, climate crisis and WORK WITH THE HAWAIIAN COMMUNITY. KU KIA'I MAUNA
Protect Maunakea. Kū Kia'i Mauna. 'A'ole TMT. Aloha 'Āina
Stop supporting TMT.
Incorporate traditional 'values' that made our state great. Greater and transparent accountability w/ regular public reports of successes, challenges, and improvements to be 'done' and not just suggested.
Center malama aina.
Listen to people protecting Mauna Kea and not build the TMT.
Listen to the Native Hawaiian students & faculty better. Listen & apply what is being said.
Encourage more sustainability, Hawaiian style. Market its unique ways that this could be done. Emphasize the whole Pacific region, make sure other islanders are able to be students to improve their futures.
Focus on sustainability which includes native Hawaiian culture.
Ask yourselves why are native Hawaiians under-represented and have much higher attrition rates for masters and PhD degrees - not including Hawaiian Studies.
Connect the Hawaiian school with every school on campus to infuse place base and indigenous knowledge in to all aspects of an education at the University of Hawaii.
Hawaiian lands in Hawaiian hands
Teach students about Hawaiian culture
Stop building telescopes. Restore the land. Turn over management of Maunakea to the Kanaka Maoli people.
Take better care of Hawaiian lands and people
Encourage and promote Hawaiian culture
Become stronger in the community
more community outreach
Be more intentional about seeking community involvement in university decisions (this survey is a good start). Also, focus on developing and employing local talent instead of assuming the best minds and talent need to be recruited from elsewhere.
The University should be working with the communities to provide intellectual and services to the community to provide connections between the University and their neighbors.
put the Hawaiian people and community first instead of investors and business people
Have kupuna attend classes for free
Provide more activities and learning experience for the community other than its students.
More free community and family events on campus to bring the community onto campus.
Programs for elderly residents in the community and through media.
Share more knowledge with the community. For example doing outreach to help residents know how to live more sustainably here.
Become more family/student oriented. Have family days and include the community. Cater to schedules and types of learning.
more high profile in the community, give students opportunity for study abroad and make this known
Provide more intellectual and skills development opportunities for older persons who want to change careers or are retired from the job market
Do a better job of promoting and retaining local and indigenous faculty and administration.
I would like to see UH support families with more community events.
Be less insular in thinking and attitude and be more of a true community partner rather than creating the perception of entitlement.
Expand classes to meet Hawaii's needs, offer funding and host more community events.
Allow residents to participate in for-credit courses for the sake of lifelong learning, not an additional degree
Serve our communities to a greater degree.
Continue its great work keeping up with what is needed in the community.

Provide more opportunities for educational opportunities for working adults.
Focus on strengths of local economy and community.
Continue to offer learning opportunities for senior citizens. More personal enrichment opportunities through community colleges. Make more of an effort to incentivize faculty to come to and stay at UH.
Engage w the community
Provide small group information sessions/workshops on what UH offers and how students and parents prepare for admission, accommodations, financial responsibilities, courses of study, etc. Target groups begin in grade 8.
More after dark adult ed classes
Offer more outreach programs to the community so folks in the community can continue to learn and keep brains active. Example: Mini-medical school course for public. Need more publicity on programs open to the public, usually find out after event has happened.
More community outreach
More on campus events, fairs, pep rallies, etc.
Be more involved in the community.
One thing I would like UH to do is offer programs for students in middle schools. Programs to introduce the students to the various opportunities available right in their backyards. This might inspire middle school students to stay on track and make goals in the future to attend college. It could be a mini weekend college camp (dorm a couple nights if possible) or a couple of days event. They could even use College of Ed students to create and execute the program. The catch is that everything for the middle school students need to be free of charge or at a very low cost of \$5 for registration with everything included: food, transportation, etc.
More community alumni programs
More community outreach. Would like to see more continuing education, non-credit type of classes. Would like to see the TMT move forward with collaboration from the community.
Have all students participate in service learning projects in the COMMUNITY. They are attending a state/public institution, it would be remiss to not have the students learn from their community members and/or learn about the place where they would be spending 4 years of the undergraduate career.
DO more community outreach and offer more scholarships to 1st generation college students. Offer more on the job training/internships for students.
make sure the university system is connected to the community and isn't seen as an ivory tower
Community classes Advertise programs More classes for 16 year olds!
Be more community driven and stable
Continue to offer large selection of classes including cooking, gambling science, and new technology introduction classes. Please do not assume all students have computer experience.
Higher standards and attention 2 detail and learning from passed mistakes when engaging with the community especially when looking at issues related to native rights
Offer free classes, for no credit, to seniors to encourage and promote life-long learning and social interaction when there is room in existing classes. I believe the term is 'auditing'.
Continuing education? In theory, lifelong learning is necessary to maintain career viability, at least in technical careers. In practice, I don't think most people (or companies) have figured out how that works.
Have more community events, festivals, concerts etc.
Have adult education classes for the community
I'd like to see UHM offer extension classes - noncredit classes for those of us not going for a degree just because we're interested in learning something. Back in the 1980s, I took many extension classes but don't see that option anymore.
Be a part of the surrounding community not 'that school on the hill'.
Collaborate with community to work towards common goals
Expand more offerings to West Hawaii. Let WHi students get a full 4-year, in person degree. ALSO: (sorry, Thing Two) offer more non credit classes for adults who wish enrichment, without barriers. (Do you still require TB tests????)
As previously mentioned , provide stimulating and challenging programs open to the public. Be a real center for the love of learning. Prevent making the assumption that the public would not be interested in original thought and ideas as those that could be available in student writings and research - maybe doctoral dissertations- use some imagination
Offer more for working people!! Teachers need more choices for PD/continued education.
Continue to provide higher education opportunities to the neighbor islands so potential students wouldn't need to travel to Oahu to get a college degree
To allow more community involvement possibly UH Campus Meetings throughout the year at various UH Campuses. All communities and needs are different therefore allowing input to have a better grasp on educational needs within each UH Campus on the islands.
I would love to see the UH System play a more proactive role in developing community outreach programs aimed at enhancing sustainability throughout the islands, promoting and developing food security and sustainable energy.
Be more giving to the general population. Being that UH takes up a lot of the state budget, what does UH do to give back? How does UH help the DOE, teachers and students? How does your agricultural research help farmers and the backyard gardener?

Keep encouraging the public to be creative and curious in ongoing education classes
Letting Kupuna audit classes for free.
Reach out to the community more
Improve the sense of community at the university among faculty and staff
Focus on our senior/aging community.
Engage all students in popular culture.
Make it easier for non-traditional students to complete their education while working. Don't have an expiration on credits earned.
Come within the community assist with self sufficient ways of providing families willing to grow vegetables, etc. Hands on test soil, a lot of ideas the students can teach us while their learning as well.
Create more opportunities for local students and their residents through programs
I would like UH to contribute back to the society by providing various programs and allowing more people to take the programs.
More in person evening classes.
Host more community events
Strengthen community relations on UH strengths!
Somehow recruit not just more Native Hawaiians to attend UH, but also, more Hawai'i residents. Community Participatory Research should be conducted on how to better understand UH's successes/failures, where community members/beneficiaries are included, well respected, and successfully received.
Make it easier for the community to attend courses. I also wish UH would reduce the automobile-related footprint on the campuses. It's fine to supply a lot of parking, but to allow cars all over the campuses is egregious (and ugly).
More community events. Lower tuition
Free education for kupunas who want to earn a degree.
Community outreach
Be more involved in the community and get younger children motivated to pursue future education.
Weekend courses for community members to increase understanding of our islands, ourselves, and the world.
connect with the community and build a structure that supports it.
Greater focus on technology, clean energy, agriculture.
Expand and strengthen STEM studies and put more effort into studies which will help the community.
Offer a masters and doctorates program in Counseling Psychology, not just a school counseling program. Mental health is prevalent in Hawaii and we need more professionals from our community.
Are there programs for adult education? Training courses or programs for out of school adults for employment purposes?
Bigger nursing program
Add educational psychology class in the program in the teaching program (even better, add an educational psychology major) so more of Hawaii's educators can be more knowledgeable with children's mental and emotional state as they get them ready for a successful future.
Offer masters in nursing and business.
Expand stem programs
Take non-credit classes as a kupuna on campus.
Continue UH Medical Technology program at UHM
Add a commercial real estate program to the business school.
Expand course offerings
More culinary arts classes.
Drastically - Increase direct entry admissions from just 20+ slots to local students at UHM School of Nursing. If faculty availability is problems to increase access go out and recruit more either locally or internationally. What a Travesty - flagship school of state yet 2 other private schools (HPU & Chaminade) have 2x+ more opportunities for admissions to their School of Nursing!
Improve its ranking in pharmacy and medicine
Expand higher education possibilities for students.
De-emphasize Hawaiian language and emphasize all Pacific languages.
Provide more evening classes at the undergraduate level. Provide more tech classes.
Increase funds for College of Business & College of Computer Science for classes on cybercrime, online shopping models, online marketing of businesses.

More research in healthcare
Expand on early childhood education, social- emotion develops better students and citizens
build up and activate the core liberal arts education @ Manoa campus. Writing program and summer scholars publishing and hosting forums
Create a School of Physical Therapy
Educators need to know the profession they are teaching. Not only academically, but professionally.
Build the TMT and continue to support astronomy.
Increase the output and quality of teachers from the College of Education.
Add pt
expand technology and biotech departments
Support STEM and raise the quality so that UH can lead the way in strong tech research and development to help diversify our economy away from tourism.
Conduct more research and help more interns in science programs.
Get rid of programs that do not lead to jobs. Get rid of Cosmetology at HCC. Get rid of Fashion Design. Get rid of Music at HCC. Get rid of Foreign Languages. (Google Translate will replace) Provide Google Cloud Certification Provide Amazon Cloud Certification Not require math for entry level classes.
Give higher priority and financial support to the study and practice of the arts.
I would like to see more diversity of Classes and better financial aid at schools like Palamanui, especially for student who graduate from a Hawai'i high school.
Add a Real Estate major and minor to its program at the business school.
Maintain its scientific and technological programs.
Create a undergraduate instructional design program.
Perhaps add a Real Estate Development program (under or graduate school) for students?
Bring back a full instrumental music program to Hilo!!! Put more financial support into the arts so that students do not need to leave the island or state to get the same opportunities they would get at most mainland schools.
Expand master/doctorate programs.
Create a specialized Real Estate school within the business school.
Offer more at the community colleges
Offer more PhD programs
Offer later nursing classes for those who still want to work while going to school
Develop more programs/ schools for phys therapy imaging, vet, pharma etc to keep our kids here.
Add more programs and virtual opportunities
Create more specific computer science majors (e.g. computer networking, cybersecurity, software engineering) at more campuses
Enhance even more the astronomy options. Scholarships for more women to enter astronomy
As per the last question, a BA degree, etc., should be 3 years. It would be more doable in many peoples' minds, it would be more financially affordable. UH Professors would not lose jobs, as then there should be a full-court press to get students back after working, for the applicable advance degree. This keeps our workforce updated and resilient to changes.
More ocean studies and industry - university partnerships
More involvement with STEM and provide the training necessary for graduates.
Provide more continuing education programs for grads.
Add more degrees especially for the smaller universities. I would love UH Hilo to have a Masters in Business Admin degree or a Masters Social Worker degree so I wouldn't have to do it through other campuses and just stay on my home campus.
I spent my early adult life knowing nothing about government. Somehow, I ended up working at the State Capitol. I don't think it would hurt for future generations to be more cognizant of politics and government. They should be aware of issues now because they will be affected by and paying for them in the future.
Continue to do more Astronomy and Oceanography research
Increase support of programs such as Ethnic Studies that leads in diversity, equity, and inclusion
Adult education with the goal of catalyzing community and business involvement in helping to solve the pressing needs in Hawaii, e.g. climate change, homelessness, etc.
broaden its programs and courses. Example: it's hard to believe that the LLL college does not offer a course in Shakespeare!
Encourage more in depth performing arts/art education options including journalism, and provide more masters degree options. As a Hawaii state resident for the entirety of my life, I wish I did not have to leave island to continue my education and could continue through UH Hilo.

Please provide a Masters in Business Administration or Accounting at UH Hilo.
Open more degree programs
Offer degree program(s) that cut across traditional degree program lines. I.e., political science+economics+business
Extend science classes, specifically astronomy courses.
Have a required class for all about financial literacy
Offer more of the same classes so they don't fill up so fast and our kids are scrambling to get in
Build a strong teacher education and leadership degree program.
More performing arts for the students and also the community.
Increase the courses that are available at the community college level.
Offer more English classes (reading, writing, vocabulary) so students will use grammatically correct English that is required in the real world...business, medicine, academic, and professional settings.
Open more technology classes .
research on noise reduction for construction/industrial machines
More science programs
Support the ARTS and strengthen Liberal Arts education.
Add programs for seniors/kupuna
Significantly increase graduates in teaching and nursing and medical doctors.
More classes at more times.
Emphasize multidisciplinary research and studies.
I'm not sure, maybe offer more programs
Place Biomedical Engineering in the Engineering School rather than Agriculture and Human Resources.
Support the arts
Continue with Astronomy as a major field of study while working to revive lost aspects of Hawaiian culture.
Have a college for landscaping, irrigation, design and landscape architecture. Florida has excellent programs and we have nothing.
Offer more graduate programs and provide more world class learning facilities to rival those on mainland.
Work to reinstate the School of Public Health
Enhance continuing Ed program offerings
Commercial Real Estate major
I'd like to see the UH Graduate Art history Dept develop a program that is centered on the Fine Arts in Hawaii: art history (documentation and archive), train students in art criticism, critical thinking to help articulate formal/theoretical issues within our local art community and provide a critical voice and support infrastructure for our graduating Art students and the larger Hawaii Art Community to contribute to the larger Art Community.
To bring more healthcare programs to Hawaii. Physical therapy, Occupational therapy, speech therapy. Another class would be mortuary science.
open the culinary arts school to letting people have lunch served once a month again.
Get rid of the Teachers Unions and Tenure.
Be completely transparent with its community
Build better bridges between Manoa and the community colleges. Currently, a lecturer at WCC (e.g.) has to reapply at Manoa to lecture there. Also, many course credits don't transfer, which is insane?
I would like UH to take a honest, hard look at their ability to centralize core campus functions. And I would like UH to take a genuine interest in how the changes they make affect the student populations on ALL campuses. We live in a technologically-rich time so there should be no reason why students, staff, and their communities aren't utilized to provide UH with a more realistic direction. If UH needs to know what degree-offerings would best serve ALL communities on ALL islands, they need to ask the communities. They need to take an interest in the betterment of the state as a whole, and not just a single island.
There needs to be an easier transition between each campus. I do not understand why certain credits do and do not transfer between UH West Oahu and UH Manoa. All UH classes should be transferable between each campus in the system.
Streamline uh Manoa. Too many majors.....make it more efficient.
Be less bureaucratic.
Allow full transfer of satellite campus credits to transfer and apply towards their degree at the main campus. It is criminal to not allow a general education credit (or any credit for that matter) to count towards a main campus degree.
Different departments should work better together. Such as departments within each campus and then after that, continue to work better between the different campuses.

UH puts so many barriers in the way and often contradicts itself. Cut the red tape, talk to your counterparts in all 10 entities, develop tracks and standards, accept transfer credits from your own institutions, and champion students in their efforts to achieve higher education.
Get rid of the bureaucracy and shed the waste. Time to consider ditching some programs and departments. Solve island issues with innovative projects like the architectural department designing sustainable homeless community solutions. Show what you can do for the community.
Consolidate administrative offices. Decrease excess faculty. Teach for today's problems. Too many programs don't meet today's needs.
Less administrative layers, more resources for teaching and student interaction
I would like UH administration to be given better tools to assess and evaluate their operations and the latitude to take action based on those results.
Stop bureaucratic behavior.
Be more open and accountable to performance, related to operational excellence.
Make transition between CC's 2-year and 4-year degrees easier. It was many years ago, but I pursued UHWO business admin degree instead of UHM accounting degree just because of the extra classes because UHM didn't accept all of Leeward's credits.
UH leadership needs to demonstrate more transparency.
Decrease redundancies.
Be bold and decisive in decision making including cutting programs that graduate too few students or sacrificing funds in the short term for investment in the long-term and for the community served. Use monies saved to support more relevant and forward looking areas like sciences (astronomy, geology..), Hawaiian culture, health, environment, marine sciences.
Again, credits should be seamlessly transferable through the UH system
Improve its organizational synergy and retain leadership talent at the dean's level.
Better oversight and control of wasteful spending
continue to work on truly making the system a 'one-system' educational opportunity for students.
Better guidance and leadership from the top down.
There NEEDS to be accountability with how fees are managed to support student success as well as how departments strategically connect with student needs. As an engineering student at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa, I am charged hundreds of dollars to use the UH engineering labs needed for my educational journey. Going into these labs and classrooms in Holmes building I was meet with doors and walls riddle with asbestos. It is an open secret that not only is our department aware that there is asbestos in the walls but when faculty and staff voiced their concerns this issue was met with deaf ears from the upper levels people, citing one of the reasons why it hasn't been resolved was mainly costs. This problem has been neglected for far too long and looks like it will continue to be that way. Asbestos poses major health concern for anyone who enters the building, staff, faculty and students alike and is a major liability that reflects badly for the university. Why hasn't this issue been properly addressed already? Where are my fees going to if not for the wellbeing of other students? There is a major disconnect with the parties at UH and I urge to whoever is reading this to please look into resolving asbestos in the engineering buildings; Materials and buildings are replaceable but people are not. Thank you.
Provide more transparency in how day to day operations work and what the long term plan is for the entire system.
Improve how you are perceived by the 3. Show integrity in what you do. A good example is the manner that UH Hilo managed Maunakea. If you did what you were supposed to do, you wouldn't have had the level of opposition when TMT was ready to build.
Get rid of a muddled focus on quality, virtue signaling and excessive administrators and improve the competitive academic environment so graduates will be better prepared to deal with reality.
Make it easier to transfer credits for to and from colleges
To have a seamless student experience when they transfer or take courses between the campuses and not have 10 different campus policies/practices and program requirements.
I would like UH to do in the future is spend our money for smart instead of buying things we don't need to buy or support.
quality of undergraduate instruction
A Community Forum or City Hall Session with UH President and Deans would help to breakdown bureaucracy barriers
Become centralized for all 10 campuses across the board .. one system
downsize Administration and rightsized salaries & benefits based on years of service and merit
That it become a less siloed institution providing more cross-discipline (unit) collaborative teaching, research, and joint degrees.
be more cohesive between 10 CC---increase communication, resource sharing, inclusivity of industry and education/workforce stakeholders
Spend money wisely
Clean up the admin team by gently moving them out and bring in fighters who understand pushing forward to international stature and will not compromise academics to seem 'indigenous serving'.
Decrease the red tape involved in construction improvement projects which includes new academic and sports facilities. UH is currently risking the ability to progress into the future by moving too slow all the time.

Be independent of the Hawaii political system
Clean out administration to have leaders who knows how to listen to their individual communities and to understand and support those communities with individualized solutions.
STOP putting up barriers for transferring students either form outside of the system and within UH system for students. Give credits to NON Traditional students for life training.
transparency on funding, where is my student fees going to??
be honest and transparent on why things can be done, are being done, and can't be done
less red tape and get things done the smoothest, most fair ways in handling administrative matters
Get better administration leadership, especially at the campus levels. We need leadership that puts the college and students ahead of their careers. We also have leadership that promotes/hires friends who are not the best candidates for jobs.
Continue working to 'create a 'whole' which is greater than the sum of its parts.'
See it function as a System rather than an assorted bunch of campuses in competition.
UH could be so much more for our community if administrators and others were held accountable for their behavior and things were not constantly swept under the rug or hidden.
Revamp many of their courses to relevant information for current conditions. Open up more avenues for students to transfer their credits within the entire UH system. For example a IT Degree with KCC can only be transferred to UH Maui or UH West Oahu. It's inconvenient to transfer to West Oahu if you live in Honolulu.
Work on its functionality with respect to systems of business practices. It lacks usability and efficiency across the system
it is very hard to get correct answers to questions I have had. No one answers phones. No room on voice-mail for messages. At this point I have given up. UH is very laid back in how they conduct business.
Again revamp and assess the whole UH system - from academics to athletics. Trim the fat. Keep only what we can afford. Also, instead of only relying on businesses and residents for donations, have the UH system do fund raisers as well. I had a friend who went through the UH Army ROTC program. In order to obtain funds for certain events they needed, the cadets didn't ask the US Army for money. The Corps of Cadets fund raised from car washes to selling stuff at the swap meet. If ROTC can do this, why can't every other organization within the UH system do this as well. . .
Develop a more prescriptive annual/long term strategic planning process at all campuses.
Streamline administration and administrative tasks to allocate more resources to those that directly interact with students.
be more transparent and incorporate more voices in decision making.
Have a 'big' vision that UH will stand up to and fight the politicians to attain it. For example, when West Oahu College's location was being debated, the decision was already made with Campbell estate on the property. With sugar and pineapple declining, UH could have pushed to have property in the Helemano area and move the College of Tropical Agriculture there. Why? Even back then, one could see the population growth and the need to develop disease resistant crops; research Hawaii's forests for possible medicines or cures; or expand or attract pharmaceutical/research companies to give Hawaii student graduates better opportunity at home.
Stay out of Political views....
Get things accomplished in a much quicker timeframe. Great ideas, people, get lost in time when too much time elapses
Deal with employees that should otherwise be fired as it becomes toxic
Streamline administrative hurdles
Further improve the transfer process from/between UH campuses. I understand it has been improved already since I was a student but making the process as seamless as possible is important especially for students want to continue their education after attending a community college
Allow the campuses more autonomy
In my opinion, more funding/resources for the College of Tropical Agriculture (CTHAR) and SOEST. I see huge potential in these industries moving forward.
Eliminate tenure
Employ more permanent instructors and professors rather than making adjuncts worry if they'll have a job from one semester to the next.
True transparency
Get their shit together
Have qualified people in Administration.
Do away with health clearance. Fix the transfer barrier that requires pre-requisites before students can be accepted into the same degree for a bachelor's at our four year campuses. For example: If a student has earned an associates degree in accounting at a UHCC, they should not have to take two or three pre-requisites in order to be accepted into UH West Oahu's accounting bachelor's program.
I would like to see more integration between the university and community college systems. For example, exposing community college students to UH research projects. They may not be interested in getting a 4-year degree but there may be future opportunities for different types of jobs.
Invest in the academic and campus experience so that Hawaii residents don't have to feel as forced to choose a mainland school.

Improve learning facilities
Clean up their campuses and make them more presentable. Also hire more people and fill in jobs that need to be filled because you are overworking the people you have now.
Make campus more aesthetically appealing. A lot of it looks really run down and old. Students would be more likely to hang out on campus if it looked cleaner
Upgrade facilities, i.e., capital improvements. facilities are old and outdated.
Continue to upgrade buildings and classrooms to aid students educational experience.
Maintain the campus buildings, even if it is just to repaint the exterior walls so it looks 'spruced up.' A few buildings at the Manoa campus look dilapidated and old which doesn't make for an appealing aesthetic to future Rainbow Warriors, especially if the university wants to attract other students from the other 49 states & US territories. Not to mention from foreign countries.
Remodel the buildings and dorms to make it more attractive. It really needs a facelift!
Better facility maintenance
Maintain its facilities better, and keep education of our people as its first priority. Not sports.
Keep up with facilities maintenance
Computer use and the TRIO program has
Innovate.
Invest in its infrastructure and train their employees to be the leaders of tomorrow.
improve/increase parking at the Manoa campus
Campus/ facility updating and maintenance for some of the older buildings
Improve facilities. When your place of study is run down or not taken care of, it's hard to want to be there.
Continue to upgrade and renovate its campuses.
Fix the parking problem at uh.
Better upkeep of campus and dorm restrooms and building exterior
Beautify/ update the campus and dorms
Facility and grounds improvement and upkeep.
Take better care of its campuses. UH Hilo campus is very neglected and overgrown.
Improve facilities
Repair old buildings.
Improve accessibility through technology.
Improve the campus
Privatize the maintenance of Manoa Campus facilities. The present facilities organization does a poor job at excessive costs.
Keep up to date with facilities (e.g. housing, Keller, Physical Science, Kuykendall, etc.), build a visitor center, provide more parking, including for visitors, give better benefits to staff that boost morale, enrollment goals that can house the students and allow them to get courses, have department staff their phones during their operational hours with a multi line - be available for students (housing/financial aid)
Tear down more of those anachronistic classroom buildings - those that resemble 19th century models.
Modernize its campus with state-of-the-art facilities and replacing non-historic buildings that appear run-down.
Attract new professors/researchers and upgrade some of the buildings. I know the engineering dept was having some difficulties with faculty, and it would be beneficial to students to have professors with a wide array of disciplines/focuses. Several buildings like Holmes Hall were having issues, and it would be nice to see buildings like this get fixed to make the campus look nice and attract more students/faculty.
Upgrade campus buildings! I graduated in 2007 and it literally looks the same with a few changes which need to align with one another.
Making parking available and affordable for employees.
Innovate and lead more
increase parking and accessibility at Manoa campus. make it more open to the community by providing programs for all not just attendees - former alumni would be nice
Renovate dorms and provide A/C to all facilities
Improve its campus infrastructure and facilities and hold all employees - - professors, instructors, personnel - - accountable for fulfilling the requirements of their jobs.
Continue to make physical improvements to all campuses.
Stop demolishing its historic buildings.

Invest in latest technology.
Continue to provide educational opportunities for our people. Also work on maintaining both the programs and facilities
Improve its infrastructure to make it a world class campus.
fix existing facilities, not build new ones
Become more cutting edge
Wave a magic wand and improve parking (as long as we remain an energy consuming, car-centered community). Continue to strengthen the community colleges.
Renovate the dorms. All dorms are run down.
Update buildings, facilities, more on campus parking
Look better. To be honest, the place looks like crap (Manoa campus specifically). You'd think a campus on a tropical island would look stunning and inviting. Some might think this is a little thing, but it's a first impression and it's important. To attract talent and money, and to inspire the current students, staff, and guests, you need to look the part. I'm talking about the grounds, but many of the buildings need some major facelifts.
Finish its backlog of facilities upgrades! Things have improved, but it could be better.
Better 'curb side appeal' would be nice, some parts of the Manoa campus look VERY rundown
More student parking space
Look at what the University and the educational system will be in 10-20 years out. Major changes coming with AI.
Invest in up to date high technology for our children.
Increase accessibility and parking.
Renovate the dormitories and student housing on campus. Conditions were mostly dirty, old, large roaches inside. Embarrassing to show people where my child was being housed and how much we paid to house her there.
Upgrade facilities, especially dorms. It looks like it did when I was a student in the early 90's.
Renovate some of the older buildings and prepare future students better for college life.
Improve the Manoa campus make it the marquee institution for the state.
Update technology and web services to 21st technology
Get campus infrastructure and repair and maintenance caught up
Upgrade facilities, dump any buildings and classrooms not renovated within 20 years. I don't mean changing the floor tiles. I mean at least an interior redo. Look at Kuykendall... it's like walking thru a time warp, COME ON!!
Invest in its facilities both upper and lower campus. Something the students and athletics can be proud of. I wasn't impressed while being a student there.
UH needs to build up the environment around the campuses. Currently, there is nothing for students to do in the vicinity of school- no cafes, restaurants, or night life to speak of- which makes it a boring place to attend college. Why would anyone come here to get a degree? Online classes only worsen the problem- why have a nice campus when no one is on it. UH Maui is particularly sad with its lack of in person classes and non-existent housing. At this point, it's a ghost campus with almost no students.
Practice what you teach - on the Manoa campus the environment and buildings are degraded, not maintained and unhealthy for people yet UH continues to build new buildings !!!
Building refurbishment
Spend less money on coaches salaries and more on academics.
Hire faculty and staff who are experienced and qualified for the position they will have and do not consider gender, race, diversity/inclusivity biases or connections to UH in hiring. Spend more money on the programs and stop taking it from them to support your football team (it is a national joke, by the way).
De-emphasize sports. Be a leader of universities that are focusing nearly completely on academic achievement.
Provide core course requirements so students can graduate in 4 years.
Focus on student success. Not the football team.
Focus less on football. Grow partnerships with DOE, other universities/institutions/Dept of Defense.
Deemphasize athletics; focus more on academics.
Develop a broader vision for what it means to be an educated person. Yes, workforce development is important, but there are many other functions of higher education. Additionally, individuals trained in arts and humanities also contribute to the workforce, so focusing on trades or more 'practical' disciplines is misguided and is what is likely leading to declining enrollments in the UH community colleges. Also, get away from distance education, particularly in the community colleges. Nothing kills passion like distance education, even if that's what students claim they want.
Please limit the amount of money spent on outside resources such as consultants and programs developed on the mainland which do not share the inherent values (and cannot address issues specific to Hawai'i). We need true community based partners. These islands are an ecosystem in a multitude of ways.

Drop all athletic programs and focus on affordable education for Hawaii residents and Native Hawaiian.
Strive for excellence in academics.
We need to stop looking at only increasing student enrollments every year. Lets start looking at the quality of education we are providing at the UHCC and 4 year levels and NOT how many students enrolled this semester. Students will not continue with their education if the quality of their education is not worth the cost.
Generally I would like UH to raise the bar. I want Manoa to focus on being a research school and to not waste money on sports programs.
Less emphasis on sports and more on academics
More focus on high quality academics and less of a prioritization of athletics.
Put more money into the schools professors and a variety courses and less money into football. It's sad that the coach makes more than the president.
UH should focus on high quality education rather than preparing students for jobs. Jobs will change, but a good education will prepare today's students to solve problems that don't yet exist once those students are in their future roles. Preparing students for 'jobs' is short-sighted.
Focus on academics and job training instead of the sports program.
Prioritize education over athletics.
Deemphasize varsity athletics.
Drop Division 1 Football.
Reduce funding for the football program
Quit fussing over the poorly performing football team.
Prioritize funding on education and opportunities for students.
Scholarship instead of great football
Limit its athletic programs to sports that are financially sustainable. Eliminate football. HERESY! You're here to educate. Losing gifted athletes to the mainland is a price of becoming/remaining financially responsible. It's what you need not what you want.
Change its logo! (lol). Seriously though, no one thing comes to mind. As I responded to the previous question, I'd like to see solutions to Hawaii's unique challenges continue to come from its academic brain trust.
Eliminate Football.
Emphasis on academia than athleticism. Prepare students in the working world with careers and employees needed here in Hawaii. e.g. Will getting a Bachelors in philosophy? geology? history provide you with a job after graduating?
- Discontinue the money drain that is its football program. Only allow the support of sports that can pay for themselves - provide direct support and services to the community through allied research and learning.
Focus more on academics and less on athletics
Get rid of money-losing athletics programs
Emphasize academics over sports.
De-emphasize the athletic program.
Emphasize academic excellence more, giving students options whatever their majors are.
Education priority, not sports.
Hilt a decent sports program
Invest more money into athletics especially football
Spend wisely on sports and support a new Aloha Stadium.
Since I support UH athletics, enlarging the Ching Field to accommodate maybe 16,000 people would be great. But I know there are many barriers to doing so.
Free access to sports games on TV or more student incentives and better platform that is useful to navigate with
Fund athletic programs. Stop making them support themselves!
Keep playing football games at the current Chung complex
Build a decent football stadium
Start a system-wide Junior College (JUCO) Sports program for baseball/softball/soccer. With so many talented kids chasing scholarships on the mainland and so many would be athletes giving up on school this initiative could offer a multitude of benefits. In addition to boosting school pride and generating community interest, a JUCO program allows local students a chance to develop their athletic and academic skills and conditioning while working to complete their college core classes. This would allow them to compete with students coming to Hawaii's extant college programs, and preparing student athletes for potential scholarship opportunities in Hawai'i and the rest of the US while shortening the duration of these students' time away from Hawai'i for those who choose to leave to compete.

Build 25000-35000 seat Football Stadium in Manoa. and not wait for State to build new stadium (it may not happen or take a long time, look at Rail).
A better job of supporting UH athletics. Good athletically recognized schools attract the greatest number of high school and graduate-students.
Build a new stadium.
Increase on-campus housing. Join the Pac-12
More emphasis on women's athletics.
Spend less on football and more on school facilities
Work in collaboration with the community, especially the local legislators, in building a UH run and managed stadium, preferably on campus.
Build an on campus football stadium
Televisive live football games to outer islands.
I love UH sports and am a longtime season ticket holder for football. However, the time has come to 'downgrade' or eliminate football and to focus on the other sports.
Actively invest in the progression of the athletics department and allow our student athletes to have to the same facilities and resources that their conference members have.
Build a proper football stadium on campus and get out from under the stadium authority. Manoa would be best, but West Oahu might do.
Continue to build out UH West Oahu so that there is no need to commute to UH Manoa.
Build a 30K+ stadium at Manoa or West Oahu. Place emphasis of not being left behind again in a dying sports conference (WAC).
Have great Division 1 sports program overall
Free games to graduates
Bring in more revenue to support the athletic programs. UH has very nice facilities that could be rented out to local programs such as track, tennis and Softball. Word is that it's impossible to deal w the people who handle facilities. Maybe cut the bureaucracy and hire people who can get the job done.
Continue to support the athletic department which helps unify the people, both young and old. When the tickets are affordable that will help the fans and the athletes.
Have a winning football team.
Build a football stadium to generate income for the University and raise its profile on the national level.
Win an NCAA football championship.
Bring back homecomings and events like that.
Get their athletic programs in order
Build football stadium in west Oahu.
Televisive all football, basketball, and volleyball games on TV and on the internet, free of charge.
Build their own stadium
Stop being so afraid to use our autonomy and make sure leaders of the university actually understand what a university is, what a university education is, what teaching is, and get behind and support innovation and ideas which may be very different from the status quo. Stop blaming employees and unions for inability to accomplish goals and learn how to work with employees who want to be proud of the campuses they work on.
Remove excessive legislative oversight so that UH officials can have more control over their own activities and accomplishments.
Establish full autonomy from the State of Hawaii Government ownership.
Become more autonomous. The legislature needs to get out of the picture and stop coercion by budget!
Stop with political affiliations and pandering to either party. Remain neutral and focus on education only.
Show independent leadership and remove the micromanaging of the state legislature.
Be truly autonomous and drive solutions on social issues: Senior/elder care and outreach, mental health, housing, and environment.
Increase its financial strength through increased fundraising, improved efficiency, and optimized course, and research opportunities to increase relevance looking out 10 years.
Stand up to the Hawaii state legislature and do not bend to the minority will of a few Hawaiian activists.
Be able to run autonomously, without the critical/political/petty oversight of Hawaii legislature.
Have more stable funding commitments from the State of Hawaii. Operating on a year-by-year budget basis is completely backwards.
Develop a strategy that will calm members of the legislators so that they stop interfering with the internal affairs of the university. Best of luck!
Become more self-sufficient when it comes to funding; not to rely on the Legislature too much.

Tell the legislature to stay out of their business, if their going to harp about autonomy whenever UH comes to ask for help.
Stop being used as punching bag by shithead legislators who withhold funding to UH
Be more independent of State and it's funding.
Be more aggressive in fundraising.
Be supported by the legislature!
Be courageous and stand up to politicians and pressure groups in defending higher education and research, such as astronomy and TMT.
See previous answer - change the way UH is funded so that less public/legislatively-controlled dollars are needed. Separate themselves from being publicly funded in large part, and finding a way to move towards a model that is more independent, that brings in more research dollars, etc.
Be more independent from the state legislature.
Be more independent of State Legislature
focus on fiscal responsibilities and hiring
I would like to see more independence from the outside 'powers that be' ...
Work with the leg to increase funding to support personnel. The hiring freeze is demolishing morale and causing employee attrition and shying away new talent from applying for open positions.
Become financially self-reliant and politically independent.
Keep politics out of it's agenda.
Be self sustaining. Not be beholdng to politicians
be more independent from state politicians
Keep education affordable
free tuition for all native Hawaiians
Have free or low cost tuition for people 50 and up so they can go back to school with out fear of debt.
I would like them to reduce the price for parking and make parking more accessible to students
Lower tuition for life long residents
Lower admission rates
Reduced cost education for disabled persons.
Lower tuition costs.
Offer more scholarships for locals.
Make community College free
Make it more affordable for kama'aina
Provide free education for Hawaii's keiki
reduce tuition to Hawaii residences who have graduated from a public school
Get more public funding and make the price of tuition for state residents something that people truly can afford. Public education is for the public good and our tuition does not reflect that.
Lower prices to help local kids have better access to all uh programs
Make it more affordable and have more programs for those who really are not into getting a bachelors or masters degree.
I which UH was more affordable for all
Make education more affordable through more work study programs involving the larger community not just on campus.
Lower the cost of tuition
Provide more scholarships for under represented i.e. immigrants, 1st generation college bound.
Tuition waiver for all Native Hawaiians.
Lower CC tuition
Affordability will always be a problem but I would like if there were more courses that were offered.
Free tuition for kanaka maoli.
Be tuition free.
Lower tuition
Provide free education to local HS graduates.

Cheaper tuition . Struggle is real
Provide free tuition to Hawaiians and local residents born here
reduce tuition for HI residents or provide more free education
offer lots of financial aide to local kids
Continue to provide lower tuitions to local students
Be free for all Hawaii residents.
Tuition remission for Kanaka Maoli
Affordable tuition
Support students more financially instead of through loans. Especially those going back to school after getting a degree.
Lower tuition
Make a college education accessible to all students
Hike out of state tuition
Focus on giving diligent students of ordinary means and abilities obtain a cost-effective 2- or 4-year education, either in a traditional range of subjects, or in preparation for a career that's currently in demand. The true cost of other special interest programs should be disclosed and funded separately
Keep the cost down and continue to provide education to help keep graduates here.
More financial assistance to those who need it.
Increase access, advocate on behalf of programs and faculty
Provide more student aide for local students.
Keep tuition reasonable Expand programs to diversify Hawaii's economy
Give free college to all Native Hawaiians and children from poverty
Free associates degree to Hawaii residents
Bury the H1 freeway and rebuild the neighborhood between Puck's Alley and lower campus? Nah -- I mean, yeah, but realistically I'd like to see out of state tuition increase 3-5% and use that revenue to keep costs down for Hawai'i residents. And perhaps make WUE limited to specific majors.
graduate people on time and at low cost
Cheaper resident tuition.
increase scholarships
Provide more financial support for students who are residents, as well as provide better guidance and support regarding financial aid for those students .
Take care of the Hawaiian students by providing free education. I was denied a scholarship in a master's program because I already had a post-graduate degree. I'm Hawaiian so it tells me that as a Hawaiian, I'm only good for one grad. degree.
keep tuition down
Make graduate school more accessible
Maybe offer free or discounted non credit classes /seminars to residents.
More financial aid
Offer more incentives to attract local students
Partner with hioe to provide mEd and PhD at no cost to current teachers
Provide free education to students with Hawaiian ethnicity
Provide more \$ assistance to locals
Lower tuition cost
Offer free tuition to native Hawaiians, like how Arizona offers free tuition to Native Americans. Also make your system, one system, a student should be able to register in one spot and not have to take entrance exams at different schools. UH is advertised as a 10 school system but students quickly find out that it's far from that, the system functions as if they are all independent of each other.
Reduce the cost of post-secondary education in Hawaii, absent that, initiate/ promote/ establish vocational high schools in every district on every island in Hawaii.
Offer more scholarships to all students regardless of the ability to pay -- so merit scholarships.
Make it affordable for more students to attend the University or provide more scholarships or financial aid.
Make it affordable for the 3.
Free Tuition for native hawaiiians

Reduce tuition - expand financial aid - determine what needs to happen to make college more affordable.
Keep tuition affordable.
Not raise tuition for residents.
Lessen the price for in-state students. Streamline your advisors better. There shouldn't be multiple advisors telling you what to do and in the end blame the student for not following their pathway when it was the advisors job. Ensure that there is no discrimination against graduate/master instructors by faculty, staff, and advisors. Just because they don't have a book published doesn't mean that students aren't learning anything. Be more organized. Laulima is confusing and is not the best program to use for class & student organization.
Lower student costs
Maintain cost effective tuition for local residents.
Provide more scholarships to local students.
Make the colleges tuition free for all students who reside in the state or adopt the 3% cost that Oregon instituted for their public colleges.
provide more scholarships
Keep costs at a reasonable level.
let members of the public audit courses that are not full.
Provide more financial opportunities for students. Other than scholarships, food and transportation would help a lot.
Consider the graduation requirements in terms of financial cost to the students.
Reduce pricing and offer more scholarships.
Provide more scholarships or financial aid for native Hawaiian students.
Prioritize local kids by making higher education more easily accessible monetarily
Free tuition for qualifying Hawaii resident students
provide more assistance to qualified students
work on making college an economic option for all HI students
Reduce cost of tuition or offer more scholarships to students.
Become more affordable for everyone.
make tuition more affordable increase programs at Kauai Community College
Provide more financial balance in regards to tuition hikes and open up more tuition waivers and scholarship opportunities to local high school students to entice them to stay home. Provide internships for majors earlier in a student's college journey to give them more hands on experience.
I would love to see free community college to seniors in high school and college freshman.
Allow for residence from Guam to have instate tuition automatically.
Improve Financial Aid for graduate students
As before, keep it affordable for local folks.
Provide avenues for graduate education that I could afford. Like service for classes.
The high costs of Hawaii is taking a toll on families in Hawaii, especially for post-secondary education. More scholarships and affordable financial aid is important.
Please lower the tuition in the community colleges under the UH system. Some underprivileged students can really benefit. Increase more tuition help for the community colleges and make vocational courses robust. Make them hands on, with apprenticeship in actual places. Students can learn specific vocations like carpentry, plumbing, auto mechanics, etc. and start working in 1-2 years and contribute to the economy. A traditional university degree is fine but not for everyone. If you are already doing this, then just improve by making it more affordable and sell it to our young people.
Free tuition to locals
Make tuition more affordable for residents
More Scholarship opportunities and interstate tuition.
Get fully funded by local governments..
Make education accessible to all students with all interests.
Reduce tuition so more students can attend and graduate with degrees.
offer more scholarship or tuition assistance opportunities to students living on their own
Affordable education for Hawaii's people

Keep higher education affordable for Hawaii residence especially those coming straight out of high school.
Keep tuition down improve face-to-face instruction
Allow more access for local people
Offer native Hawaiian students free tuition
Provide more scholarships to first generation American kids and students from underrepresented communities residents of Hawaii to promote and educate the culture of Hawaii to all.
Provide free or cheap childcare and early education for children of University staff and faculty.
UH should financially support its graduate students so that they can pursue their education in a state with a high cost of living.
Provide more scholarships or charge lower fees for classes that provide the job skills needed in Hawai'i.
Keep tuition affordable.
Free college tuition for all native Hawaiian's.
Become more affordable
Make education more affordable to all Hawaii students
Free/partial tuition for Kanaka Maoli.
Provide free education to our lineal descendants, children of Hawaiian ancestry.
Push harder for more accessible education both financially and fundamentally as costs of living/education is increasing exponentially
Provide more free tuition to women head of households trying to pull their families out of poverty
Lower tuition so it is more accessible to students.
Focus on lowering costs for students.
LOWER tuition to local kids. I took advantage of low tuition back in the 1960's. Student Debt is a killer for future graduates. 'Arts Degrees' don't pay in the real world environment. Math, Science, Computers, and Business emphasis is needed for UH students to succeed in today's Tech World.
Become more affordable.
Free college for Hawaii residents!
Have more programs to help students who can not afford college
Offer more scholarships other than athletics
Free tuition for native Hawaiians
offer more scholarships etc. to help needy students
Offer free tuition to all Hawai'i residents.
Make tuition more affordable to Hawaii residents
Have more affordable tuition for residents.
Advocate on behalf of its students at the Legislature for debt-free college. Students should not have to exist in perpetual debt for an education.
Make community college classes affordable to seniors.
Lower tuition for local students
Help make more funding easily available for our Kamali'i of Hawaii's Nei
Increase accessibility to Hawaii residents by lowering costs for residents.
Offer free tuition waivers to local residents and native Hawaiians
Add greenspace.
Work towards developing sustainable solutions to living in Hawaii, enabling residents to have less dependence on goods and services shipped in from elsewhere.
Be the environmental leader of the pacific.
Help with sustainable development and industrial growth - if we in the future are no longer importing things from outside, we need to make and repair our own machinery and pumps, recycle our own waste, and build our own infrastructure.
Teach building homes in easily renewable materials. How to grow them too. Hawaii should become a National leader in solar and wind energy in all aspects.
Greater focus on wasted resources and programs.
Focus on helping the state move towards a cleaner and sustainable future.
More on climate change

Expand agricultural studies
Be the leader in addressing climate change from all angles and implementing all solutions here in the state and make Hawaii the example for how to live for the rest of the world - Seriously.
focus increasingly on agritech, aquaculture & agricultural entrepreneurship opportunities that leverage UH property or possibly collaborate with Native Hawaiian lands to create jobs and prove there is a feasible economic model, even if for creating products to be sold primarily in-state rather than for export at a premium.
Increase even more, it's focus on addressing climate change, sustainability, and energy efficiency. Maintain its support for the Hawaiian language and culture, but not at the expense of other world languages.
To place a high priority on creating a school of Agriculture and Food production which provides leadership and support to the food production industry in the community.
Be a leader in sustainability education.
Be a world leader in sustainability and combatting the climate crisis
Place higher emphasis on sustainable agriculture. We're too dependent on imported products.
Lead the way in cleaning our oceans on a worldly scale.
Increase their Agricultural program and have outreach in specific farming areas
Expand the environmental science department to include more sustainability initiatives and classes. Continue to decrease plastic use on campus. Implement campus wide composting.
Expand footprint and lead globally in the areas of green, science, tech, engineering, arts, mentorship.
developing high-tech, diversify the economy and agriculture to be self-sustainable, reduce the dependency on tourism
Teach more sustainability
Focus on design and sustainability. Create a degree program for housing and commercial real estate.
Focus on sustainability and climate change
Be the leader to guide Hawaii as a whole into a sustainable future. We need to focus on how to take care of the residents and the land and to do that through education by hiring quality educators who believe in the work and not necessarily only in the compensation.
Renew, expand and refocus agricultural education and research focusing on Hawaii.
Educate all on the probable effects and consequences of climate change
help the islands become more sustainable be a leader in environmental conservation
Concentrate on local sustainability
Do more for food sustainability in the state
Help Hawaii's residents to become accustomed to practicing habits that decrease greenhouse emissions and plastic consumption. We must save the planet.
Increase research and technology to help reduce the risk of climate change.
Hawaii should be the sustainability expert. UH should lead the way with research in solar, wind, and other energy options so we can be self-sufficient. Same goes for recycling efforts.
Support farming so Hawaii can be self- sustainable.
recognize the imminence of climate catastrophe
Become energy neutral as a model for the state
Be more authentically supportive of the aina and cultural-environmental resources.
lead world in sustainability, eco systems, renewable energy, volcanism, ocean sciences, how culture and history can guide our future by seeing things with a global view.
Broaden its horizons! Climate crisis is existential threat to human race- invest in SOEST technologies and strengthen those departments to compete on international levels. Stop being primarily insular.
Focus on academics and programs that support Sustainability specific to Hawaii's remote island status
Help to restore and reforest native habitats.
Improve registration and access to real counselors, not peer counselors
From teachers to administrators, be as much a 'cheerleader' for the student as they are a 'coach'.
More education and support regarding incident reports for equipment injuring students (breaking and falling onto student) and Title IX
Treat all students equally, without pushing a racist agenda.
Continue to spot light the students.
On campus housing
More dorms for local students, including urban Oahu.

Student housing improvements
Increase funding and access for mental health for students
Assist students in securing housing while in school, and jobs and affordable housing in the first years out of school when student loan payments begin. Many students I know have left school do to the stress/ future implications of taking on so much debt, while still suffering extreme poverty.
Place more resources in supporting students who start to completion.
Provide better students services - career counseling on campus. Provide more opportunities for dual credit classes for high school students, provide more online classes for students who need to work on neighbor islands.
Better support of faculty and degree programs in need of help, especially addressing staffing/faculty shortages. Better support for Specialist faculty, or the development of an alternative track or system. Expanded support for current students (e.g. mental health support, academic skill support, and academic advising expansions).
make enrolling or reenrolling easier. Improve support and services for at-risk students improve communications between colleges and departments
Find ways to support programs that are capped due to capacity (due to teaching, space and/or practical skills offerings) so that more students are able to pursue their passions.
Increase parking accessibility to students since majority of the student demographics are commuting to campus
Better student housing
Build more parking at least until rail is a viable option sometime after 2050. For one semester they partner with Ala Mona's center so students could park there and catch a shuttle. That was great and I never understood why it was discontinued. Students would pay for this, trust me.
More security
Provide more guidance, counseling and options for college age parents and students. The public school B, D & D students are the ones that will really benefit. The A/B students will figure it out - but the lower socioeconomic status kids will struggle.
Invest in better equipped dormitories so locals can have a college experience
Add training to faculty on neurodivergent students and how to best support them.
Support student basic needs on ALL campuses. If a student receives help, they are more likely to stay in and finish school.
Provide more support for local students to graduate within 4 years.
Assist in planning the rail extension from Ala Moana to Manoa to integrate campuses - HCC, LCC, UHWO and UH Manoa.
More opportunities for students to feel part of the university.
Get campus organized. Improve dorm situation.
Encourage students to get a more well-rounded education by taking music, art and art history classes (including the Hawaiian arts).
Have better dorming and housing operations and facilities
When making decisions always think of the impact on students.
Diversify the hiring of faculty and staff to better represent the student population. It is important for UH to implement retention efforts that increase the recruitment and retention of students from marginalized backgrounds. Students need to feel like they have a place at UH and that they belong and can thrive in a higher education community.
To improve the teaching techniques for all faculty, to have all faculty be more student centered.
Transportation - bus students from end of rail in Kakaako. Fight for rail to continue to UH (King Street - shuttle service to actual campus). Parking for events. With C&C, plan better street, freeway access.
Support faculty/staff so we can better serve our students/community.
Take a leadership role in advocating and providing for the basic needs of students.
Fix the student housing policies for graduate level neighbor island residents so we have an affordable option without having to live with younger ages college students. Most of us are working professionals. Housing policies for graduate neighbor island residents are awful during summer sessions. And the woman in charge of the Housing office is rude with zero aloha. Not exactly the best example of Hawai'i values.
Allow students to rotate around campuses to acquire personal education needs.
Improve student success metrics (i.e., retention, 4/6 year graduation rates) and address equity gaps by eventually eliminating them altogether.
Improve student relationships on campus
Address diversity, equity and inclusion in student success outcomes, faculty representation, and in the curriculum. (For NH, Filipino, and PI communities, in particular)
Offer more affordable housing options on campus; most of our students commute.
Develop more student housing
Provide more housing for students!

I would like to see more resources for students who are facing issues such as transportation, food insecurity, financial hardships and so on.
Have more dorm housing and make it cheaper
Take sexual harassment more seriously.
Work with HART in establishing a rail stop at UH.
Build more student housing. Particularly for graduate students/returning students.
Be student focused
Ensure more coherence between campuses. A student shouldn't have to be set back in their education when they transfer because courses still don't align. Work more closely with HDOE and NOT JUST on CTE/Workforce. Improve intern HR, especially recruitment and hiring.
To make sure students have better grades like tutors who can help them and many others.
Be student oriented not research and grant oriented. Professors don't care about students. They care about research, grants, and writing books.
Do a much better job with student housing for Hawaii students, especially for those from the neighbor islands. It's a mess now, so I know many students who went somewhere else or decided to put off college because of that. Hawaii residents pay taxes to support the school, so they should at least have priority for student housing. They should also be cognizant that these students and their families need answers sooner rather than later.
Ensure students can obtain their required classes and credits and graduate in 4 years.
Have more ties with other universities and colleges for students to expand their educations.
Hawaii' has assets and liabilities like any other place. And Hawaii's geographical and cultural uniqueness magnifies the impact of the assets and the liabilities. Capitalize on recreating it's assets to share with the world and be a leader in managing it's liabilities to also share
analyze/study China's Xi threat. It is amazing how the Chinese are owning more and more of the US by buying real estate. It has been going on for decades and apparently there is some real geopolitical motivation behind a lot of it.
An internationally recognized institution of higher education.
Improve programs to compete with other public universities of similar size.
Work more, and more closely with, businesses and governmental departments (County, State, Federal). Work can be to gear classes and degrees more to current and future needs, special student projects, internships.
Continue promoting international exchange programs and international conferences. ?
Work more in private and public partnerships.
Take full advantage of UH's unique location to improve flagship programs that can compete globally - particularly in astronomy, vulcanology, marine biology, alternative energy engineering, Hawaiian language and literature, as well as others. By continuing to be world class in areas where others would have to work harder to catch up, UH uses its advantages wisely and attracts talented students, faculty and staff which will lift up all other topic areas.
Produce more research that will have an impact on the world.
Create a center for ??iwi and Pasifika philosophy - Different understandings of the world create different logics and sensitivities. Perhaps these logics and sensitivities may heal the damage of EuroAm philosophically informed decisions have caused across and to the planet.
Increase private industry partnerships opportunities in STEM fields
Quit focusing on Hawaiians and broaden international focus. It is good to know one's roots, but the world in which our children and grandchildren will live is a bigger place which will require skills and knowledge on a broader scale.
Hard to say - bring the professional schools into the 90th percentile of the nation.
Be more dynamic in strategic in educating the youth of Hawaii as well as for the Pacific region
Partner with colleges from other states for tuition breaks.
Consider the role of the university as a learning site and collaborate with other island nations more
Develop our strengths to the benefit of our people, our state, our nation, and the Asia-Pacific community.
Climb in rankings for innovation, entrepreneurship, finance, legal, engineering, medical, and employment, and become one of the top 50 schools in the US
Specialize in issues relating to Hawaii and becoming a research facility that is an expert in those fields. (Climate change, oceanography, etc.)
Leverage Hawaii's population, time zone, and location as bridge to Asia.
Offer more online classes. Open to more non traditional students (seniors, caterer changers)
Try to help out our morning traffic situation by having online class for classes started before 9am. Run a test and see whether it can help please.
Do more on line classes. For some it cost to much and is a burden when a child needs to board at school.
More online classes for remote students.

More online classes... computer classes for senior citizens
More online graduate programs so working people can continue their education.
Continue to offer distance options at both Undergraduate and Graduate level. Allow UH Hilo to expand graduate offerings when it makes sense for Hawaii Island.
Continue the on-line classes
Have all UH campuses offer online and hybrid courses, rather than just the community colleges; offer more or all \$0 textbook classes to alleviate the cost of higher education; address food and shelter insecurities, and provide ways to get out of challenging situations; offer post-baccalaureate scholarships and financial aid; establish UH alumni networks for UH graduates to find jobs in local communities.
Offer ? distance learning programs, where students are able to work full-time and complete their school work asynchronously. Many top universities offer this, but UH is lagging behind.
Offer more online classes
Provide more graduate programs not only in the Manoa and Hilo campus but also the West Oahu campus. Have more online graduate programs.
Enhance its online and social media presence with real content.
Offer online post-baccalaureate degree opportunities and other mid-career professional development opportunities.
Continue to offer classes needed for degrees online, as much as possible. But, maybe do like a few class get togethers, like 1x a month. Some of us have many roles to juggle (parent, employee, care taker, and student) and in-person can be awesome for interaction, but we are unable to fit it into our schedule as offered like every 2-3x a week for an hour. Especially if we live far from the campus, gas prices are high. We're spending more time getting to class then it does to be in class.
Online classes
Have a greater online course presence
More online focus for students, faculty, and staff
Make more graduate programs available online for those who aren't able to commute or need to work full time.
More online achromatic streamline degree programs
Offer more classes online for working people.
Continue supporting our high school students with access to college courses.
Retain online class options. I can't work and drive to Honolulu especially if I don't live in town. Offer more applied classes in stuff like 'intro to sql' or other coding that isn't scattered throughout the UH system or restricted to certain programs.
More online classes.
Offer more online continuing education courses for parents that cannot attend school full time to finish their degree. Build a system where a classes can be taken at a time, at the person's own speed.
Increase online courses, online resources, different options in attending the university
Adult online education
More online classes for alumni on the mainland
Hire more faculty on neighbor island campuses, split the Manoa Chancellor and President positions because there is a clear conflict of interest, create structure for lecturers to become tenured if they have PhDs, amplify local culture and prioritize the fact that Hawaii is a melting pot with many indigenous cultures. Hawaii is more than just kanaka culture.
Remember that all islands and the culture around the different islands are different. Thus, the needs for each campus are different.
Develop vision of where Hawaii economy and careers fit in the global economy, as part of the global economy. Not local vs global. Develop view of careers that can move up and down the value chain.
(1) Diversify and have duplicate programs across the system. (2) more online learning options especially in STEM
more equitable division of resources between 4-year and 2-year campuses
Expand palamanui
Provide equal opportunity for students who live on all islands. There is not equal opportunity in Kona for example. Online class, is not the same as in person training. Not everyone wants to work in the hotel industry. Or in the culinary industry. Kona students need to have opportunity at the community college level for technical and mechanical type jobs. Why are only a few students excepted in the pre-nursing program? That is only one of the problems.
Continue to increase a variety of career options on the Outer Islands!
Increase academic standards at neighbor island campuses
Develop Palamanui into a first rate community college with an Early Childhood Education program and center.
Make more degree programs and courses available in the outer islands allowing students to attend remote classes.
Move facilities and programs away from the Manoa campus to within closer proximity of the prospective student population.
Expand the West Hawaii training programs.

Offer more programs to west Hawaii
The UH system should serve populations on all the islands and not be so Honolulu-centric. The neighbor islands are economically disadvantaged in many ways. The UH system should continue to offer diversified programs on all islands. I've heard they want to close programs and force students to go to Honolulu. That is not an option for many students on my island.
More support and expansion on neighbor islands; offering more advanced degrees from the neighbor islands
Expand distance learning options for the neighbor islands, with scholarships.
Don't forget the neighbor island communities.
increase offerings on neighbor island campuses
Initiatives to bring jobs to remote parts of the islands.
More outreach to neighbor island campuses to support interested students in starting or finishing their education on-island.
strengthen the Community college system on the Neighbor Islands.
Make better use of its wonderful West Oahu campus. I realize that this is a work in progress, but U.H.-West Oahu should be a preferred campus for selected disciplines.
bigger campus and dorms, not downtown Honolulu
Expand graduate school programs to outer islands. Not everyone wants to live in a crowded expensive city, and some can't afford that move. Accessibility is key if you want to train and hire Hawaii residents and not just ?Oahu residents.
Do more community outreach and engagement to the neighbor islands, specifically, UH-Manoa.
Expand multimedia education on the outer islands. It's ridiculous that UH Hilo has almost none.
Maintain or strengthen community college programs
Expand to more to West Oahu
Degree programs available to students at all campuses.
Increase offerings at Palamanui
Support the satellite campuses better! Even if that means more oversight from Manoa.
Provide more equitable services across the board
Expand UH-West Oahu Campus.
Now living on Kauai, I want to see more advanced degrees available to outer island residences so they do not have to commute to Oahu for school (it gets expensive). I was fortunate to complete the MHRM program on Kauai which was nice. But I wish they would expand the list of Master degrees. I think at the time I went back to school for my masters, there was on MBA and MHRM available.
Have more Bachelors program at outer island campuses.
Fund other uh campuses better. Stop giving everything to uh Manoa like they are the only school in our system
Even if community college system is present on all islands, it would benefit especially the rural and remote areas to have access as is possible to classes, seminars, internships, etc. that seem to be focused on students from more urban or populated areas. Use of technology is a solution but having a mix of in-person participation either in home area of student or having student(s) able to study or participate in actual setting of class or seminar, for example, would be tremendous benefit for both.
Increase the visibility, viability, and connectivity of UH Hilo, UH Maui, and the community colleges. Way to often the only news I see concerning UH is about the Manoa campus. Having grown up on the neighbor islands I know that UH Hilo is a dynamic campus with a proud history, and that the neighbor island community colleges provide significant value to their communities. Facets such as these need to be emphasized more. Any young person should be able to enroll at any campus, community college or 4-year, and be able to easily transfer credits and degree program progress between campuses. Ultimately, upon graduation, that student would be able to say I graduated from the University of Hawaii, never mind what campus.
Expand advance degree programs to outer island campuses.
Offer more post graduate degrees on neighbor Islands.
Expand Palamanui programs
Be more visible on the west side of the Big Island.
Invest in Big Island scholarships
Offer more programs so residents don't have to leave the state. Also, all campuses should have the same or pretty close to the same programs. In other words, UH needs to invest more on their outer islands campuses.
Provide significantly increased resources and educational opportunities to West Hawai'i, Kailua Kona students and citizens. Palamanui needs to be more relevant and supported by the entire system. Support for the Hilo campus is not support for Kona and Waimea communities.
Develop other islands campuses to accommodate other degrees to prevent residents from leaving and Seeking education outside of state
Do better at highlighting the good works across all campuses. Better manage their responsibilities to the Hawaiian peoples. Diversify the senior leaders to include qualified non white males into the discussions for the future of the University. Have tenured faculty seriously reviewed for their continued contributions to their departments

Focus on being really good at three things and then market them.
Articulate a value statement for locals to support going there. Be able to note which majors/programs are world class and % of graduates being able to find jobs after graduation in and outside of Hawaii. Show comparisons against WUE schools in different majors to support the value of a UH education.
Have better PR---less emphasis on sports and more on academics.
Forget football and support and highlight the other successful sports.
Refrain from acts that increase negative public perception - i.e. Stevie Wonder, Todd Graham, dormitory rats AND / OR work on relationship with local journalists to increase the positive public perception of UH. Unfortunately, so much of the great things UH accomplishes is rarely reported.
Market to the public the achievements, services, products, training and expertise UH provides. Be a 'lighthouse' by beaming who we are.
Publish and or 'promote' more researches to the media and public
Sending students/alumni all over the world for careers. UH produces better workers, but was hard for me to get a job due to unrecognized higher education availability in Hawaii. Need more visibility to the mainland.
Be more public about what they support politically. Have this be shown in more than their programs but in their support of other's programs
Work with local media to showcase the people and programs at Manoa. This will help inform the community what the UH system has been doing to help build a stronger Hawaii for its people.
Marketing for local kids to attend UH.
Continue to Build up their reputation on specific programs that have garnered honors such as astronomy, business, medical, marine biology etc.
be a source of pride and value to the community in everything it does - academics, sports, research, etc. maybe enhance its PR!
Be vocal about how UH is helping the people of Hawaii. Advertise the why it's important.
Try to make education as relevant and appealing and meaningful as possible to the people of Hawaii. Instead of being over-obediently compliant with standards and expectations and accreditations of elsewhere/other cultures, make UH compliant with Hawaii's standards and expectations; and keep improving.-- For example, instead of plain old mainland-style math, consider more ethnomathematics. ---- Mix local culture into the curriculum. --- physics of surfing, Darwinian evolution of native birds, business principles of the tanomoshi, comparison of Hawaii's constitutional monarchy with the U.K., comparing Hawaii basalt to making concrete with basalt on Mars, historical social significance of a kumiai, aquaculture variations, floating city architecture for Hawaii, long-term care home practices/training in Hawaii, nutritional diet recommendations based on foods popular in Hawaii, creating new ecological versions of Hilo's sampan busses (hydrogen?), exploring the many bamboo uses, designing a Hawaii-style monorail mass transit for neighbor islands/rural Oahu, significantly expanding the UHM CTAHR extension agent services on all islands and the 4-H program statewide, etc. === And one other thing: design the new Halawa/Aloha Stadium to be able to later expand to 50,000 plus; not the current tiny stadium design. BIG MISTAKE!
Improve their marketing/pr around their world class research. It would be great if they had a public spokesperson and a brochure.
Change the image of the university to reflect the quality of education available
Continue to showcase how talented UH students are. I would like to see more collaboration with other schools when it comes to video game competitions, for instance.
Increase rankings in the US News annual report.
Do more to tell its story
More public awareness of research/studies being conducted by the various departments.
Make an effort to keep the best and brightest students in Hawaii vs. having them attend a mainland college. UH has an image problem, too many Hawaii residents feel UH is a second class University. Not true, but that's the image UH has in the community.
Change the public image of UH and relationship with politicians to be one that is positive: a state university that is committed to serve the people of Hawaii.
Advertise their schools more
Better marketing for the University itself instead of just the sports teams. My understanding is that it is considered one of the top schools in the US....but who knew?
Present more of the renowned fact based research that UH has done in the past with the goal of credibility over favorability. Encourage UH as a place that is believed and trusted. Promote the positive everywhere beyond Hawaii.
Be more informative to students and families so they are aware of all the options and are fully aware of how programs are structured before they begin to avoid possibly finding out too late that it will not be appropriate or adequate for them.
Build support for public education.
Exploit the benefit UH brings to the State and educate the legislature and the public on these benefits
be more than just highlighting sports and athletics but focus on achievements of students, alumni, community leaders, etc. in medicine, science, education, community service, humanitarianism, etc.
Publicize well and welcome students of all backgrounds
Invest in employing the best faculty and staff.

Hold professors accountable for doing their job and actually teaching the students.
Get rid of junk profs. Hire profs who are committed to students and strong in their fields, well connected with and attuned to what industry needs.
Recruit better professors. These are your role models. If you do that the students and donations will follow.
More emphasis on recruiting and training teachers from Hawaii to stay and teach in Hawaii. Education
Ensure it hires and retains (pays well) it's educators and staff - that is the absolute key to success
Hire highly rated instructors and personnel.
Invest in faculty. We always lose out good faculty to the mainland schools. We need better professors and instructors to keep up with other schools.
Educate with local instructors.
Hire more support staff.
Start treating faculty and staff equally. So many people working part-time and/or temporary positions, if they can even get into positions, including graduate students. The old 'ivory tower' is crumbling. Get with the times!
I would like to see campus admin be more supportive of staff.
I would like them to invest more in highly-trained professors, instead of having graduate students in charge of classes.
Provide more innovative programs. Instructors, professors who are exciting and challenging
Offer step movement based on years of experience for BU-08 employees. Offer free / reduced parking for employees. Offer free bus passes to employees to reduce car traffic. Decrease investment in sports and increase investment in research and educational opportunities.
Hire and keep better engaging instructors who want to grow and support students and get rid of those that want to make things as painful as possible because they view students as potential competition.
obtain great professors to help increase scores of providing a top notch education
Have more regular faculty and fewer underpaid part time instructors. We need teachers who are committed to the success of the university and the students and not just scrambling to eke out a living.
Pay staff and faculty a livable wage.
treat its faculty to better
Hire more full-time faculty or pay lecturers better so that UH can attract excellent people in their fields as faculty who can't afford to work for far less than they would in their industries
Train professors to teach in ways that are inviting to local students.
Increase the rigor of most introductory courses. I've audited a few and found them quite easy and sometimes catering to low achievement.
Recruit top professors.
create more tenured jobs for lecturers.
Equal Education Opportunity emphasized within faculties and students. Racial tension doesn't help environment and students.
Help grow our teachers, nurses etc. from local students!
I would like the UH system to become a leader and make a conscientious effort in hiring more diverse professors. When I attended KCC, there were some professors that were more like activist, and didn't hide it.
Employ a greater selection of professors to gain a more rounded understanding of subjects. Without diversity, as a student I'm simply absorbing one persons perspective and I do not necessarily believe that is beneficial to me as a student.
Fill positions that have been frozen during the pandemic to meet student needs in the classroom & support services.
Increase staff salary
Teach a curriculum that makes for well-rounded educated members of the community.
Have a backbone and work to have TMT built. Support and educate the community on the benefits of the Telescopes. Our people were skillful in their ability to use the stars and now its all falling away.
Allow people to enroll for 2nd bachelor. Can't attend for a 2nd bachelor currently. The admission process for master program is a cumbersome. Bad overall experience trying to go back to UH so I went to a private university instead.
Stop employing haoles as the president. Focus on local talent why'd you even outsource him from the continent... dumbass administration and government
become a better known school for academic excellence
Give automatic admission to any UH grad or local student who qualifies to any of the grad school programs. No waitlist, no mainlanders having priority, etc.
Listen to the volunteers and Master Gardeners at the Urban Garden Center. The controlling 'Ohana group' are set in their ways and do things because 'we've always done it that easy.' Newer volunteers and Master Gardeners have knowledge, skills and time to offer, too.
Mandate information literacy instruction for all undergraduates.

reduce size.
Stop catering to professor demands: the amount of hours that many actually work is a joke. They are truly enjoying the best possible preparation for retirement. The best are not rewarded because they are truly teaching and/or researching rather than developing liaisons to ensure job protection
Require students to speak and write in complete sentences to express informed, coherent ideas.
Force each department to hire faculty, and develop course content, that is more ideologically diverse.
Help teach our community to think.
Get back to pre covid schedules and staffing!
build the TMT
Be a beacon of light.
Assure the Thirty Meter Telescope is built on Maunakea.
Strive for excellence
Have program that focus on self- engineering.
Focus on graduation rates
Support UH Manoa Children's Center more. It's been a struggle with the facilities and maintenance and supplies, etc.
Take themselves more seriously as an academic institution with high academic standards.
Open up to the graduates and former students
Push for more diversity and international students
Demand more funding for all programs
Reduce the amount of general core classes students have to take and, in its place, consider allowing students to take beginner courses in a variety of fields (e.g. TIM, nursing, business, etc.) that they are interested in to help them really decide what they want to do. Add specialties here so that local students aren't forced to go to the Mainland (optometry, dentistry, PT, OT, speech pathology).
stop forcing students to get emergency use authorized vaccines that clearly do not work
Not be WOKE!!!
More carefully screen the speakers to whom it gives venue. A university that only offers the progressive or liberal point of view, without allowing conservative points of view to be expressed, and collegial debate to occur, is denying its students opportunity to consider differing points of view, and come to their own understanding of the whole. I was appalled a few years ago that UH engaged a woman speaker (who was canceled at the last minute) who had advocated the takedown of the U.S. And she was scheduled to speak at Andrews Amphitheater. Charlie Kirk—a conservative thought leader with a higher profile than the aforementioned woman—had been offered a room in Kuykendall Hall. Hmm. That leads me to wonder how many people were able to squeeze in to hear what Kirk had to say. Or was that the plan all along? People do not require a college education to learn to shout down or attack those who have opposing opinions.
more studies abroad programs with emphasis on foreign language
Provide the best education possible without the woke indoctrination
De-emphasize identity politics and remove critical race theory from curriculum.
Don't forget about its graduates by providing easy access to continuing education and NOT just always ASKING FOR MONEY. ?
Recruit more heavily when students are younger
Diversifying left leaning humanities curriculum.
MOVE THE ENTIRE MANOA CAMPUS TO WEST OAHU
Have in-person classes.
Provide better ROI for students given the tuition we pay. Better allocation of existing funds.
Increase enrollment.
The university needs to develop a spirit within all students that money isn't everything in life. The true spirit of each one should be, 'How can I make this world a place of calm and harmony, ultimately a place where peace reigns?'
Stop trying to build TMT
Get more involved with Women's issues on the outer islands
Incentivize UH graduates to stay in the state with high-paying, rewarding careers
Build TMT.
Complete the TMT

Improve collaboration between the College of Engineering, SOEST, Astronomy, and the ARL. And make sure the TMT gets built!
Build the TMT on Mauna Kea
Support the TMT more.
Avoid political leaning in education
Be more aware of their location and impacts that they make on the land. Encourage more education of place especially because many students seem to be unaware of the these issues.
Get TMT installed and DONE! (Yes, I know, it has authority over the project, nevertheless.....) We should not allow this this fundamental research to disappear.
Fund programs that students have difficulty getting in like nursing!
Remove professors that promote the liberal indoctrination. Double parking with a new parking structure.
The world is growing every smaller in the problems that face that are growing every larger graduates with a multicultural understanding rooted in the history of different peoples are the only ones that can make the diplomatic connections that will need to emerge successful in the future I'd like to see much more support with this focus
Fund experiential learning opportunities by providing stipends for UH students to participate in unpaid internships
Establish a culture of excellence.
Use more renewable energy on campus & student mentoring on campus
upgrade the relationship with alumni so they would be proud(er) of their association with UH, including willingness to donate. Use Stanford as a benchmark on how to improve alumni relations.
Support TMT!
Support Hawaii young people to study abroad or even on the mainland before settling into a Hawaii finish. It will help them appreciate what we have here.
Continue to develop, renew, and evolve.
Increase the rigor of the curriculum and the expectations of both the University and its students.
Be more considerate about the TMT issue.
Merge UHWO into UHM
Be competitive with other colleges and help keep our talented students working in Hawaii
Resolve the problems with the telescopes while ensuring further space exploration.
Have more face to face classes
Continue to seek alumni feedback.
Take back control over Mauna Kea.
Don't know if this is already being done but on the mainland, incoming Freshman were mandated to dorm for their first year. This allows for increase income and filling dorms to 100% capacity especially on Hawaii Island.
Not become a socialist University
Keep Athletics and Academics, as equal importance.
Continue to make decisions based on collective feedback from all stakeholders (e.g., Hawaii residents, alumni, HS students, business community, donors, government, etc.). Decisions should be for the greater good of Hawaii's community.
Continue to positively grow
Remove their telescopes from Hawaii's mountains.
Truly become a place of learning that represents Hawai'i
May be happening now, but I'd like to see some emphasis publicly on those graduates who are giving back to the island community, even if they've left home.
Pay attention to student feedback and reward teachers who have popular classes. Get more involved in problem solving our most challenging failures. Sorry, that's two things.
Increase recruitment from mainland to show more diversity
Strengthen ties with alumni
Develop TMT and keep astronomy excellence in HI.
Concentrate on moral excellence not on moral expediency. Teach the fundamental tools of education, not the chaos of social / cultural experimentation. Avoid canceling opposing communication / opinions, harden and sharpen credentialling with logical debate. Teach our students to argue intellectually not emotionally. Teach our students to accept different opinions, to challenge and question the reliability of and the accuracy of information originating from political echo chambers. Be skeptical, follow the scientific method not political or cultural expediency. Live fearlessly and avoid the mandates of fear and isolation.
Human Resources to support education involving geography; localizing program information to sustain micro- and macroeconomy designs

Have in person classes at Kapiolani CC...
Teach more Conservative Values
Manage TMT telescope to advance astrology in Hawaii and the world.
Good liberal art program
Stay current
Per last question (i.e. would I recommend UH): it depends... they can likely find a comparable program at another school for cheaper, easier to find housing... Last time I considered UH for a grad program the Director gave the impression that I would be lucky to be accepted (which may have been the case but where I ended up going- mind you I have 3 other degrees from UH- felt more welcoming and inviting/ a win-win). UH should not water down their programs & degrees. Why do kids taking high school classes get college credit? If you are smart, take harder high school classes! Stop jumping MS degrees for doctoral degrees (i.e. straight from Bachelors to Doctorate? Is Doctorate the 'new Masters'?). Why did other people bother with MS degrees then? What ever happened to writing intensive courses? So many questions... I know you asked for 'one thing'...sorry
Mandate less - especially related to COVID-19. Let students, faculty, and staff decide for themselves whether to wear masks, vaccinate, or switch to online learning. It is not the university's job to tell us what to do. Your job is to provide options.
More support for humanities
limit on campus parking
Provide equal opportunity for both mainland and local students for on-campus employment
Increase enrollment.
Provide the best education possible without the woke indoctrination
use correct data to let the communities drive the programs. The GenZ and Alphas will come to college if the ROI is their own passion.

APPENDIX C: IMPORTANT STAKEHOLDER’S QUESTIONNAIRE

Name: _____	UH STRATEGIC PLAN: STAKEHOLDER DISCUSSION	Date (mm/dd/yyyy): _____
_____		Telephone number or email for follow-up: _____
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INTRODUCTION

The University of Hawai'i is in the midst of developing a new Strategic Plan for the 2023-2029. In designing the plan, UH is committed to outreach with the community and our stakeholders. UH would like to ask for your assistance and feedback as an integral part of this process. UH has engaged SMS Research to help engage key members of our community to understand their views of the most important things that the University can do for Hawai'i. I hope you will be willing to take the time to share your visions for UH and your ideas for its most important priorities. SMS will keep all responses confidential. Mahalo, Daniel Nahoopii, 808-440-0711 dnahoopii@smshawaii.com.

BACKGROUND

The State of Hawai'i has gone through much change since the start of the global pandemic. Many feel that Hawai'i must be more sustainable, resilient, and equitable if it is to emerge from this pandemic globally competitive. But Hawai'i will succeed in this mission only if its higher education system can also pivot to support this new future. What is the role our University of Hawai'i (all 10 campuses) must play in advancing thriving and sustainable communities throughout our islands while also addressing global and regional challenges and opportunities?

WHO ARE YOU

1. Can you first tell me about your organization and your position?

2. Besides your organization's relation with UH, do you have other affiliations with any of the 10 campuses of the University of Hawai'i? (faculty, student/graduate, parent of student, former employee, donor, advisor, etc.)

VISION

3. What would be your vision for the University of Hawai'i system in the next 30 years.

4. To get to that vision, what should be the top priorities for the UH campuses over the next six (6) years.

5. The following are top priorities that have been mentioned by other stakeholders. Could you please rank them in order of importance to you and your organization? (1=most important, 6=least important)

Route	RANK 1 = most important
Sustain and support Hawaiian language, culture and people	
Educate and train Hawai'i residents for Hawai'i's jobs	
Drive economic diversification and development through research, innovation, entrepreneurship and technology	
Provide the scientific and intellectual capacity to address Hawai'i's problems and opportunities	
Increase access to more programs for students and communities	
Increase the number of Hawai'i residents who have education and training beyond a High School diploma	

6. Why do you say that? Why do you rank that priority as the most important? Do you have any comments or concerns related to those top priorities?

7. Looking now at the other side, is there anything that UH should not be doing in the future? Is there something UH is doing now that should be moved to a lower priority?

OTHER FACTORS

8. In your opinion, what are the potential pitfalls that will discourage stakeholders or community leaders from supporting a new Strategic Plan?

9. In your opinion what issues need to be addressed to ensure the Strategic Plan 2023 – 2029 is accepted by stakeholders and the community?

CLOSING

10. Is there anything else that you want to tell me?

Thank you for your time and support.

