

STATE OF HAWAII  
UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII  
UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MĀNOA  
**OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR**

FUNCTIONAL STATEMENT

**OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR – Org Code: MACHNC**

The Chancellor ensures that academic, instructional, research, and extension service excellence is achieved; ensures that policies and goals of the President and the Board of Regents are implemented effectively; develops and executes strategic plans and missions of the University of Hawaii at Mānoa campus; promotes effective and efficient use of resources including attracting and retaining faculty of the highest caliber, fostering and encouraging superior instruction and research as the State's sole research institution; champions higher education for the people of Hawaii; advances research efforts and applications including preeminent internationally recognized programs; and directs campus programs through Vice Chancellors, Deans, and Directors; provides oversight over intercollegiate athletics; and directs the academic and non-academic programs of the University of Hawaii at Mānoa.

The Chancellor serves as the Chief Executive Officer of the University of Hawaii at Mānoa and has authority to plan, organize, direct, and control the development of instructional, research, extension, public service, intercollegiate athletic, financial management, and support programs and services of the University of Hawaii at Mānoa. This is achieved through the authority to allocate or reallocate budgets, execute documents on behalf of the University of Hawaii at Mānoa, develop and promulgate policies, expend funds for the development and maintenance of the campus, and take appropriate action to improve and better direct the University of Hawaii at Mānoa. Management authority over personnel decisions for all campus Executive and Managerial employees rests with the Chancellor.

The Chancellor provides leadership and direction to Mānoa deans and directors, faculty, staff, and students to ensure achievement of excellence in academic, research, and campus services. Furthermore, the office works with the President and system offices to assure that the campus is in compliance with applicable policies and procedures.

**MAJOR FUNCTIONS OF THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR:**

In pursuit of the goals and strategic plans set forth by this office, the Chancellor, as the chief executive officer of the University of Hawaii at Mānoa, leads a team of executives who bring together the purpose and common goal of administering quality higher education for the State of Hawaii and the University of Hawaii at Mānoa. The Chancellor's Office provides leadership and direction to major academic units and research programs of the Mānoa campus as well as to Mānoa's faculty, staff, students, and constituencies.

The Chancellor's Office provides the following services:

- Serves as the Office of the Chief Executive of the University of Hawaii at Mānoa.
- Provides executive leadership in developing, planning, and administering the operation of the University of Hawaii at Mānoa.
- Provides guidance to vice chancellors, deans, directors, faculty, and staff on various academic and non-academic programs for the University of Hawaii at Mānoa.
- Plans, directs, and coordinates the development of long-range plans and programs designed to improve the quality of education, research activities, and services provided.
- Oversees the implementation of approved plans, policies, guidelines, and procedures as set forth by the Board of Regents and the President in

ensuring the continuing excellence of the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa programs.

- Ensures effective and efficient administrative operations and programs/curriculum development for the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa with a strong commitment to equal opportunity and affirmative action.
- Makes policy recommendations to the President on a wide variety of issues designed to advance the mission of UHM.
- Oversees the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa's faculty affairs as it relates to academic staffing plans, programs, resource allocations, workload plans and standards, and other faculty affairs.
- Oversees the development and implementation of campus-wide instructional and research policies and procedures through vice chancellors, deans, and directors.
- Provides executive leadership in the University's research, training, and graduate education programs.
- Determines direction and priorities in response to new research and training goals.
- Provides executive leadership and direction to administration, faculty, and staff by establishing goals and objectives, and ensuring that day-to-day operations and activities are executed in conformity with governing policies, procedures, and guidelines.
- Allocates and reallocates resources.
- Confers with senior University executives, administrators, faculty, students, interest groups, state and federal agencies, legislators, and the community relative to planning, developing, and implementing the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa's programs.
- Prepares and presents both oral and written testimony on University of Hawai'i at Mānoa matters to the Board of Regents, Legislature, federal and state agencies, and community groups.
- Oversees the Athletic Department to ensure that intercollegiate athletics nurtures the personal growth and academic achievement of the participating students, meets high standards of fairness and equity, and broadens positive interest in and public support for the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa.
- Plans, directs, and coordinates internal and external fund-raising activities.
- Develops and maintains effective relations with the community, Legislature, other University of Hawai'i campuses, internal and external organizations.
- Serves on regional and national boards and commissions relating to post-secondary education as the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa's representative.

#### **Advisory Groups to the Chancellor:**

Manoa Executive Team: This group consists of the school and college deans and others who advise on key operational and policy issues and on campus regulations, programs, and institutional structure.

Mānoa Faculty Senate – Org Code: MAFS: This group is composed of all UH Mānoa faculty members and acts on behalf of the faculty for campus-wide matters. The Mānoa Faculty Senate identifies and arranges for consideration and study of all goals, policies, and programs relating to the physical and academic development of the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, including allocation of financial resources, student enrollment, distribution of enrollment among programs and between upper-division and lower-division programs, direction of emphasis in existing programs, the academic effect of administrative organization, quality of scholarship, quality of teaching, quality of research, quality of service, and the relationships between the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and other units of the University System.

Graduate Student Organization (GSO): This group represents the academic interests of over 5,000 graduate students attending the University of Hawai'i at Manoa, providing input on all issues affecting University of Hawai'i graduate students and the University of Hawai'i at Manoa campus.. The GSO places a

particular emphasis on fostering excellence in research at both the PhD and Master level. The GSO has representatives seating on over 40 university committees and participates in a wide variety of graduate student, campus, and community events.

Associated Students of the UHM (ASUH): This group is the undergraduate student government representing all full-time, classified, undergraduate students at the Manoa Campus. ASUH advocates on the behalf of students with various entities, including the university administration, faculty, staff, community groups and government officials. ASUH also serves students by utilizing ASUH student fee money to fund diversified student programs and events on-campus.

Athletic Advisory Board: This group advises the Chancellor and the Athletic Director of the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa with regard to broad general policies relative to the conduct of intercollegiate athletics.

Kuali'i Council: This group is composed of faculty and staff of Native Hawai'ian serving programs, and Native Hawai'ian faculty and staff in other UH Manoa departments and programs. The Council advises the Chancellor on matters important to Native Hawai'ians.

The units that report directly to the Office of the Chancellor include:

- Office of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
- Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Education
- Office of the Vice Chancellor for Students
- Office of the Vice Chancellor for Administration, Finance and Operations
- John A. Burns School of Medicine
- Richardson School of Law
- Intercollegiate Athletics

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**OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS – Org Code: MAOCOM**

The Office of Communications provides leadership and direction for the planning, development, coordination, and management of the overall public and alumni relations, governmental relations, advancement, and special events strategy that brings greater visibility, recognition, and support to the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa as a leader in higher education. Specific responsibilities include developing and maintaining productive and mutually beneficial relations and effectuating regular interaction and communication with the University's multiple publics such as alumni, students and prospective students, parents, friends of the University, donors, businesses and corporations, and community groups; coordinating and monitoring legislative and governmental actions that impact the campus; and providing support and serving as the liaison to the University of Hawai'i Foundation. The Office is responsible for the management and coordination of the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa's interaction with the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa System and the news media.

**OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSPERSON – Org Code: MAOMBD**

The Office of the Ombudsperson reports to the Chancellor and provides informal assistance to constituents of the campus community, including students, staff, faculty and/or administrators. It provides guidance, counseling, and advocacy for those seeking redress through the sexual harassment, non-discrimination or academic grievance policies, or needing assistance with the navigation of administrative procedures at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa.