



## Hau'oli Mau Loa Foundation – Graduate Assistantship Opportunity in Botany

Hau'oli Mau Loa Foundation ([www.hauolimauloa.org](http://www.hauolimauloa.org)) and the College of Natural Sciences are pleased to announce the **availability of one graduate assistantship for local students dedicated to careers in natural resource management in the state of Hawai'i**. The assistantship comes with generous support for two years (2<sup>nd</sup> year pending satisfactory academic performance), including a Graduate Assistantship (\$20,472 plus fringe benefits – step 6), a full tuition remission, and additional funds to be used for attendance costs (e.g., books, fees, travel to local and national conferences, and supplies).

**The overall goal of the Hau'oli Mau Loa graduate assistantships is to develop the next generation of natural resource management leaders in Hawai'i.** The following eligibility criteria apply: (i) good academic standing (minimum GPA of 3.0 prior to and throughout the assistantship); (ii) from Hawai'i, as evidenced by graduating from a Hawai'i high school; (iii) pursuing a M.S. degree in Botany; (iv) track record of supporting Hawai'i's environment (e.g., internships, volunteer opportunities, etc.) and serving in a leadership capacity (academic, athletic, extracurricular, and/or professional); and (v) commitment to pursuing and attaining a long-term career in natural resource management in Hawai'i.

### Application Details:

- (1) If you are not currently a Botany graduate student, you must apply to the M.S. program by:
  - a. Submitting all required application materials to the Department of Botany by **December 15, 2017**, please see <http://www.botany.hawaii.edu/graduate-program/> for specific application and program details; and
  - b. Submitting an additional essay (~2 pages, single spaced) clearly describing how you meet the five eligibility criteria listed above (send essay by **January 15, 2018** to [asherwoo@hawaii.edu](mailto:asherwoo@hawaii.edu) with "Hau'oli Mau Loa Assistantship Application" in the subject line).
- (2) Current Botany graduate students are eligible to apply if they have completed <10 credit hours as of August 1, 2018. Submit: (a) the essay described above; (b) a letter of recommendation from your advisor; and (c) transcripts (unofficial are fine) to [asherwoo@hawaii.edu](mailto:asherwoo@hawaii.edu) with "Hau'oli Mau Loa Assistantship Application" in the subject line.

**Successful applicants are expected to begin their M.S. graduate degree program in August 2018.** Review of applications will begin on January 15, 2018. Please contact Alison Sherwood, Chair of Botany, with any questions regarding this program (808-956-3930; [asherwoo@hawaii.edu](mailto:asherwoo@hawaii.edu)).