Ewe Ula

Ewe Ula is a place for Native Hawaiian nurses, and Kakoo (allies of Native Hawaiian health and the work of Native Hawaiian nurses) to nurture, gather, support, and mentor one another. This group was founded on the principle that creating a positive cultural identity will help nurses to bridge the gap between Western nursing education, health care, and a patient’s indigenous values. Committee members of this student-led group plan various social and networking activities. Participation is free and open to current nursing students at UH Manoa. Ewe Ula is an approved Registered Independent Organization (RIO) of UH Manoa.

Nurses are among the front-line health workers that provide their time and hands-on care for their patients. Native Hawaiian health has improved over the years, yet health disparities continue to exist. Cultural knowledge and cultural safety in educational institutions can contribute, increase trust, and decrease care confusion by relating the Native Hawaiian culture and values. To support our mission of providing a comfortable and safe place to gather and celebrate the Hawaiian culture, Ewe Ula will provide the following:

- Cultural learning workshops and opportunities
- Support through education that addresses health equity for Native Hawaiians.
- Partnership collaborations with other Native Hawaiian organizations to provide learning and volunteer opportunities in the Native Hawaiian communities
- Opportunities to gather and celebrate the achievements of Native Hawaiian Nurses

Membership

The history of Hawai‘i and its people has always been one of welcoming and inclusiveness. This Ēwe ‘Ula will continue this
tradition by welcoming all who wish to participate. The group or “hui” will not discriminate against race, color, creed, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identify or expression, ancestry, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, veteran status or political affiliation.

Those who wish to join Ewe Ula will be asked to complete a short questionnaire that will include the following questions:

- Name
- Contact information (email/phone number)
- Paragraph supporting why they want to join the Ēwe ‘Ula and how they will support the hui.

If you are interested in becoming a member, clicking this link will take you to the registration page:
Ewe Ula Membership Registration

If you have any questions about Ewe Ula, you may send a message to eweula@hawaii.edu

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