

# UH Manoa Nursing Updates – Fall 2015

There are many exciting changes at UH Manoa Nursing. This fall semester, the School welcomed 226 new undergraduate and graduate students into nine program pathways. UHM Nursing is meeting many of the IOM's benchmarks by offering a variety of program pathways to the BSN, MSN, DNP and PhD degrees.



One major change for our baccalaureate degree program is that our [High School Direct Entry](#) program will now accept applications from all high school students. In the past, our program only accepted Hawaii high school students, but in response to an increased interest in UH Manoa Nursing, we've opened applications to attract students from across the nation.

Another change in the graduate program is that UH Manoa Nursing has partnered with the UH Shidler College of Business

to offer a DNP degree to Shilder MBA in Healthcare graduates. Students first obtain a MBA-HC degree from Shidler then continue into a two-year 48 credit DNP program with UH Manoa Nursing. The next MBA-HC cohort will begin in Fall 2016. For more information about the Shilder MBA-HC program, visit <http://shidler.hawaii.edu/distance-emba/healthcare>.

UH Manoa Nursing is pleased to announce that the Hawaii Statewide Nursing Consortium in partnership with Kapiolani Community College, Maui College and Kauai Community College, has increased academic progression of enrolled AD RN to Bachelor student from 4% in 2009 to 25% in 2014. The first cohort of Kapiolani Community College students graduated this past spring. From its inception, approximately 37% of UH Community College associate degree nursing graduates are continuing directly to UH Manoa Nursing for their bachelor degree.



The [IKE A0 PONO program](#) at UH Manoa Nursing continues support

of more than 290 Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander nurses who have graduated from UHM Nursing since 2003. The program has successfully increased the number of Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander nurses enrolling and graduating from UH Manoa Nursing from 3% to 18%. It is projected that in academic year 2015-2016, there will be 130 IKE A0 PONO students enrolled, with many pursuing graduate degrees.

Interprofessional collaboration between the departments of the [College of Health Sciences and Social Welfare](#) (CHSSW) continues to be strong. Established in 2014, UH Manoa Nursing, John A. Burns School of Medicine, Office of Public Health Studies, Myron B. Thompson School of Social Work and the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy in Hilo, work together to improve interprofessional student collaboration. UH Manoa Nursing is currently leading the initiative and is excited to be sending representatives to the Interprofessional Education Collaborative Conference in October 2015.

Finally, UH Manoa Nursing has revamped its application system to simplify the process for students. Applications for all programs became available on **September 1, 2015**. Prospective students must submit applications to UH Manoa and to NursingCAS. The deadline for both applications is **January 4, 2016**. Some programs require additional submissions, visit our website at [www.nursing.hawaii.edu](http://www.nursing.hawaii.edu) for details. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling admission basis. When seats for programs are filled, the applications for those programs will close. Applicants are encouraged to submit their applications as soon as possible.

We look forward to a successful fall semester! For more information about the School, contact [nursing@hawaii.edu](mailto:nursing@hawaii.edu).