



‘Āina Education and Stewardship Internship

Position Description

Our Vision: People of West O‘ahu mālama ‘āina, nurture the next generation to continue this work, and share their successes with communities across Hawai‘i and the world

Our Mission: Inspire communities to care for Hawai‘i by perpetuating conservation, culture and sustainability through education

Internship Description

The ‘Āina Education and Stewardship Intern will deliver impactful ‘āina-based learning experiences to students and the West O‘ahu community. This internship offers opportunities to gain hands-on experience in delivering high-quality educational programs rooted in mālama ‘āina principles. The Intern will assist in the E Ola Wai‘anae and Hā‘awi Aloha summer programs, where they will mentor and inspire elementary school age students to care for their island home. Through participation in native plant restoration projects, the intern will gain invaluable experience across a variety of ecological settings, including the ‘āina of Pālehua, Nānākuli, Wai‘anae, and Kunia. Interns will be supervised by a full-time field or education staff member of Mālama Learning Center.

Positions available: Part-time and Full-time

Duration: June 1 to July 31, 2025 (start date is negotiable); generally Monday through Friday with occasional Saturdays required. Dates will be assigned by the supervisor based on the program schedule.

(2 positions) Part-time: 18 hours/week for up to 8 weeks

(1 position) Full-time: 35 hours/week for 8 weeks

Compensation: Interns will receive payment of \$14/hour.

Responsibilities

- Supporting the MLC team with preparing ‘āina-based educational programming
- Assisting with hands-on activities for youth in both indoor and outdoor learning environments
- Assisting in Laulima community workdays in MLC restoration sites (2nd Saturday of the month)
- Performing additional duties as assigned to support outreach and restoration initiatives

Requirements

- Minimum 14 years old*
- Experience in one or more of Mālama Learning Center's 'āina-based education programs
- Daily access to a mobile phone with email capabilities
- Reliable transportation to meet at designated sites on time ('Ewa, Kapolei, Pālehua, Nānākuli, Wai'anae)

*Minors ages 14 and 15 years old need a Certificate of Employment; Minors ages 16 and 17 years old need a Certificate of Age Work Permit in order to be employed.

See this [website](#) for more information.

Desired Qualities and Skills

- **Passion for Mālama 'āina:** A genuine interest in caring for the natural environment of Hawai'i and 'āina-based education
- **Communication Skills:** Strong verbal communication skills for interacting with students and the general public and proficiency in Google Workspace applications
- **Teamwork:** The ability to work effectively as part of a team and collaborate with others
- **Reliability and Responsibility:** A strong work ethic and the ability to follow instructions; Respect for program leaders and co-workers
- **Cultural Sensitivity:** Respect for Hawaiian culture and traditions and a willingness to learn and incorporate cultural knowledge into educational programs
- **Dependability:** The ability to be consistently punctual and dependable

How to Apply:

Please send the following documents to info@malamalearnincenter.org

- Cover Letter
- Resume
- List of 3 references (Name, Email, Phone)

In your email, please share if you are looking for part-time or full-time employment during the internship period. Please apply by April 11, 2025.