



Ola Nā Kini Nursery and Restoration 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 Ola Nā Kini Nursery and Restoration Intern will help improve, manage, and care for native plant nurseries in Pālehua, Kapolei and Wai‘anae. The Intern will work directly with Mālama Learning Center (MLC) staff, and other partners involved with the project. This opportunity will provide the Intern with green job training in shadehouse management and native plant propagation. The Intern will also be engaged in activities related to site restoration with students and the general community of West O‘ahu. Activities will include education on native and invasive species to school groups, community members, and individual volunteers.

Positions available: 3

Part-time: 18 hours/week for 6 months @ \$16.5/hour

2 x 7 Hour Weekdays

1 x 4 Hour Day (Saturday or another weekday as assigned)

Responsibilities

- Propagating native and cultural heritage plants
- Nursery maintenance at Pālehua, Kapolei and other nurseries involved in this project (includes pest control, watering, weeding and plant propagation)
- Cleaning and organizing nursery supplies and tools
- Maintaining field supplies, tools, and equipment to ensure efficient operations
- Assisting in community workdays
- Preparing and maintaining restoration sites through activities such as weeding, clearing brush, trail building, and site-specific tasks
- Outplanting native and culturally significant plant and tree species in designated restoration areas
- Supporting data collection, photo monitoring, and data entry
- Performing additional duties as assigned to support restoration and outreach initiatives

Requirements

- High School Diploma or equivalent
- Strong interest in natural resource management and agriculture in Hawai'i
- Ability to perform physical labor in challenging terrain, including hiking and carrying heavy loads
- Daily access to a computer, internet, and a mobile phone with email capabilities
- Reliable transportation for commuting to various sites
- Proficiency in Google Workspace applications

Desired Qualities and Skills

- Able to maintain a great attitude and a strong work ethic
- Dependable and consistently punctual
- Familiar with hiking and navigating rugged terrain
- Self-motivated, with the ability to take initiative and work independently
- Able to work well in teams and collaborate

How to Apply:

Please send the following documents to info@malamalearningcenter.org

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

More information about MLC can be found at malamalearningcenter.org