University Preparation (UP)

Hawai'i is the perfect STUDY destination for international students!
UH Mānoa is a world-renowned public research university, the flagship campus of the University of Hawai'i system, serving over 20,000 students.

- Intensive academic English courses
- Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) preparation and exam
- Six credits of regular UH Mānoa credit courses
- Academic Study Skills and Intercultural Communications Skills courses
- Personalized advising and monitoring

The successful student is officially accepted into a UH Mānoa degree program.

UP Eligibility Requirements

- High school graduate with GPA of 2.8 or higher (or equivalent); undergraduate transfer students welcome
- High intermediate to advanced English level: iBT TOEFL: 53-85. IELTS: 4.5-6.0
- Adequate financial support required to obtain an F-1 student visa

Students not meeting minimum ENGLISH requirement may study in the Outreach College New Intensive Courses in English (NICE) program (www.nice.hawaii.edu) before beginning UP.

The University of Hawai‘i is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Institution.
Applications for UP can be submitted throughout the year. Students are conditionally accepted to UH Mānoa upon initial review and may be fully admitted upon meeting all entrance requirements and successfully completing the UP program.

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UP Program Dates 2018 - 2019

FALL 2018
AUGUST 20 – MAY 12, 2019

SPRING 2019
JANUARY 7 – DECEMBER 20, 2019

FALL 2019
AUGUST 26 – MAY 15, 2020

UP Program Cost 2018 - 2019

$11,000 per semester, for a total of $22,000 per year. Housing in the UH Mānoa dormitories and meals in the campus cafeteria cost approximately $9,500 per semester (cost subject to change).