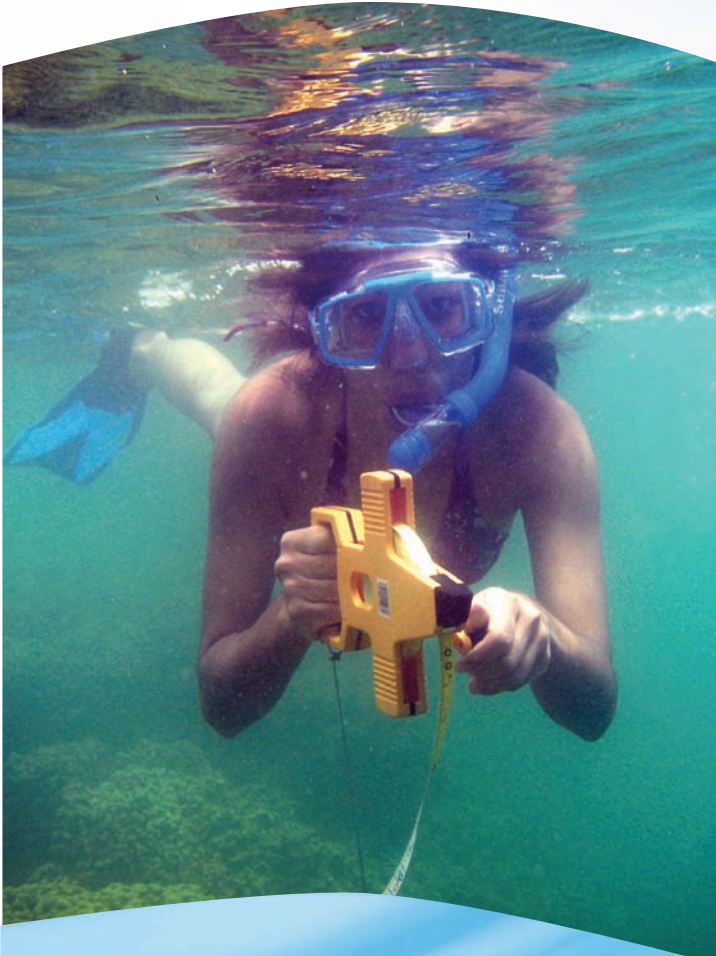


NALU

STUDIES

NATURE ACTIVITIES FOR LEARNING
AND UNDERSTANDING



OCEAN BASED EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING
IN ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

*A College Level Mini-Course Serving
At-Risk and Vulnerable Youth in Hawai'i*

WE BELIEVE *in our youth.*

The teens we serve have endured challenges and encountered obstacles the average person will never see in his or her entire lifetime. They have suffered setbacks, and have often found themselves “on the wrong side of the tracks” headed in the “wrong direction.” Yet they have survived.

We call our teens “Champions in Training” because we know that, given the opportunity and appropriate guidance, they will succeed. We’ve seen their passion and spirit and we know they have the power to overcome their hardships, redirect their lives, and lead others towards positive change. We’ve seen it happen before...

We don’t just believe in our kids,
we help them believe in themselves.

NALU STUDIES: 2 week intensive
Experiential Marine Biology Program

END RESULT:

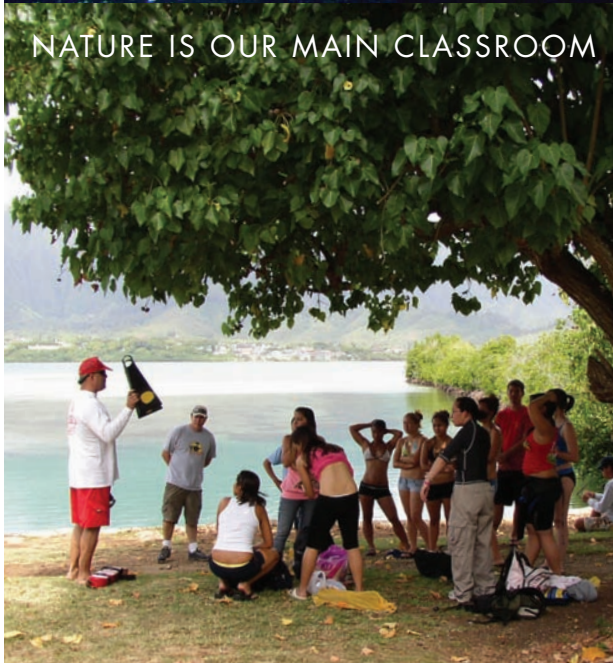
- 1 College credit
- Pre-enrolled into the University of Hawai’i system
- Certified in CPR and First Aid
- Potential internship with corporate partners

Together, with your support, we create

**REAL CHANGE,
REAL RESULTS**



THE OCEAN IS OUR INSPIRATION



NATURE IS OUR MAIN CLASSROOM

ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF HAWAII'S AT-RISK AND VULNERABLE YOUTH

NALU Studies provides a much needed academic alternative for at-risk and vulnerable youth in Hawaii's Juvenile Justice System.

Many of Hawaii's at-risk and vulnerable youth are haptic learners who do best with active hands-on learning. They often struggle in traditional learning environments and their previous experiences in education have led them to believe that they don't have the capability to succeed academically.

In addition, many of them are disconnected from the natural environment and have little understanding of the world around them. NALU Studies gets them actively involved in their own learning and guides them to success.

AN INNOVATIVE PROGRAM DESIGNED FOR SUCCESS

NALU Studies is based on a successful environmental education program called BWET (Bay and Watershed Environmental Training) and is being developed and implemented by the same partners. Students who complete NALU Studies will be pre-enrolled in Windward Community College, earn one college credit, be certified in CPR and First-Aid skills, and will have usable skills in marine and environmental sciences.

STUDENT PRE-REQUISITES

To qualify for NALU Studies, students must; be referred by a Family Court judge, have completed The Surfrider Spirit Sessions program, and have demonstrated a passion and willingness to truly learn about the environment. Prospects must apply for entry, complete an essay, and be interviewed by our staff. Applicants are accepted based on passion and commitment.

OUR PARTNERS NALU Studies is made possible through a partnership of private, public, and corporate sponsors including: Hawai'i Institute of Marine Biology, Windward Community College, The National Fish and Wildlife Service, The Hawai'i Community Foundation, and many others.

THE PROGRAM



Students and instructors go out into the field to study Ahupua'a and the relationship of land, water and human impact.



Students have special access to Windward Community College laboratories and HIMB facilities on and around Coconut Island. Students work in teams to conduct real scientific surveys and testing concentrating on marine biology, including reef and ocean health.



Students present their findings in a final presentation forum and must complete 10 hours of community service to obtain their college credit and qualify for internships.

NALU
STUDIES
Catching Waves to College

HE'E NALU

LEARNING CENTER

Catching Waves to College

He'e Nalu Learning Center is an innovative virtual learning center that has been established in response to a need expressed by Hawai'i State Family Courts serving Hawaii's At-Risk Youth. Our core services include the design and implementation of two ongoing programs: The Surfrider Spirit Sessions and NALU Studies.

OUR VISION:

We envision a motivated, supportive, thriving and successful Hawai'i community of empowered youth who have deep connections to the a'ina, the ocean, their communities, and their spirits.

MISSION:

Our mission is to create holistic ocean-based experiential environmental education programs and activities that connect, enhance and fill the gaps within existing non-profit programs serving At-Risk and vulnerable juvenile youth. Our programs provide a motivational pathway and means for teens to make positive life changes and achieve greater life success.

He'e Nalu Learning Center is a 501(c)3 non-profit project fiscally sponsored by Community Links Hawai'i.

Contributions may be submitted to:

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