

MAUREEN RAWLINS



EMPLOYMENT

Present Position: Director, Strategic Partnerships & Collaborations  
'Aha Pūnana Leo, Inc.  
Senior Management Team, Cooperative leadership

Business Address: 'Aha Pūnana Leo, Inc.



ACADEMIC BACKGROUND:

Masters of Arts: Hawaiian Language & Literature, [REDACTED]  
Universtiy of Hawai'i at Hilo; Hilo, Hawai'i

Bachelor of Arts: Hawaiian Studies, [REDACTED]  
University of Hawai'i-Hilo; Hilo, Hawai'i

Diploma: [REDACTED] Kamehameha Schools, [REDACTED]

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- 2014- present Co-Founder and Vice President National Coalition of Native American Language Schools and Programs
- 2012-present State Early Learning Advisory Board, Governor Appointment; Executive Office on Early Learning
- 1990-2008 Executive Director; 'Aha Pūnana Leo, Inc.
- 2011-present Executive Council, Past-Chair; Native Hawaiian Education Statewide Council
- 2011-present Board of Director, Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement
- 2006-present State Advisory Council Member, Governor Appointment; State Department of Labor, Office of Language Access

2007-2011	Chairperson, Membership Election; Native Hawaiian Education Statewide Council
2007-2010	Board of Directors, Membership Election; National Indian Education Association; Co-chair Legislative Committee
2002 & 2010	Writing Committee Member; Nā Honua Maui Ola-Hawai'i Guidelines for Culturally Healthy and Responsive Learning Environments

EDUCATION: CONFERENCES/PRESENTATIONS/PAPERS

OCTOBER 2015	Lifetime Achievement Award; National Indian Education Association, Washington, D.C.
APRIL 2015	Keynote Speaker: Center for Tribal Studies Conference; Northeastern State University, Tahlequah, OK
OCTOBER 2014	Panelist: Family Engagement in Language Revitalization; Native Hawaiian Education Summit; Honolulu, HI.
JUNE 2014	Invited to Provide Testimony; United States Senate Committee on Indian Affairs; Legislative Hearing; Native American Programs Act & Language Program; Washington, D.C.
March 2012	Panelist: National Clearinghouse for English Language Acquisition: Effective Ways to Teach Native American Languages; Washington, D.C.
September 2011	Keynote Speaker; US Department of Education; Native American Language Program; Washington, D.C.
May 2011	Invited to Provide Testimony; United States Senate Committee on Indian Affairs; Native Language and Culture in Education, Washington, D.C.
May 2011	Co Author Journal of American Indian Education; Bill Demmert, Native American Language Revitalization, and His Hawai'i Connection
May 2010	Keynote Speaker; Inter-Tribal Native Language Summit; Five Civilized Tribes-Cherokee, Seminole, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Creek. Tahlequah, Oklahoma.
April 2009	Co-Presenter; Yale University Ivy Native Council Conference: Self

	Determination Through Native Education; New Haven, Connecticut
November 2008	Co-Presenter; Kamehameha Schools Research Conference: Linguistically and Culturally Appropriate Methods of Assessment with Native Hawaiian Learners; Kāneʻōhe, Hawaiʻi
May 2008	Keynote Speaker; Minnesota Indigenous Language Symposium IV; Duluth, Minnesota
October 2007	Coordinator; Language Revitalization Forum, National Indian Education Convention; Honolulu, Hawaiʻi
March 2007	Co-Presenter; Harvard Graduate School of Education Alumni of Color Conference: Presenter on National Research Project on the Impact of Native Language and Culture on Academic Achievement of Native American students; Cambridge, Massachusetts
April 2006	Research Advisory Committee Member; Kamehameha Schools Research and Evaluation; Hawaiian Cultural Influences on Education
June 2003	Invited Lecturer & Presenter; Summer Institute, Early Childhood Education & Standards: Language and Culture; Western Washington University; Bellingham, Washington
March 2003 & 2002	Invited Speaker & Presenter; Journeying Home-Language and Cultural Preservation; US Department of Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Center for School Improvement; Minneapolis, Minnesota & Portland, Oregon
August 2002 - present	Member; National Research on the Impact of Language and Culture on Academic Achievement of Native Americans (American Indian, Native Hawaiian and Alaska Natives)
May 2001	Invited Speaker & Presenter; Echoes of Language Conference; Department of Education, Culture & Employment; Yellowknife, Northwest Territories, Canada
March 2001	Participant; Center for Research, Education, Diversity and

Excellence (CREDE), Colloquia on Native American Research  
Priorities; Departments of Education, OIE & OERI; Santa Cruz,  
California

March 2000

Presenter; Greenland Colloquium, Meeting the Language and  
Cultural Priorities of Indigenous Peoples; Western Washington  
University; Bellingham, Washington

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Presenter; World Indigenous Peoples Conference on Education;  
University of Hawai'i at Hilo; Hilo, Hawai'i

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Presenter; Circumpolar Minister's Pre-conference; Western  
Washington University; Bellingham, Washington

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Presenter; Case Study on Schools Serving Native America,  
Western Washington University; Bellingham, Washington

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Presenter; U.S. Congress, Governmental Affairs Committee;  
Washington D.C.

[REDACTED]

Participant; Polynesian Languages Forum; Wellington, New  
Zealand

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Project Director and Participant; Native American Languages  
Issues Conference; Hilo, Hawai'i

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Project Director and Participant; 'Aha Leo Mohala, Statewide  
Hawaiian Language Immersion Conference for Families;  
Kilauea, Hawai'i

[REDACTED]

Presenter; Keepers of the Treasure (Five Nations); Ottawa,  
Canada

[REDACTED]

Presenter; Native American Languages Issues; Prince George,  
Canada

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Researcher; Canadian Immersion Schools; Montreal, Canada

[REDACTED]

Presenter; Mokakit Education Research Conference; Yellowknife,  
Northwest Territories, Canada

[REDACTED]

Presenter; Advocates for Language Learning Conference;  
Washington D.C.

COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIP, SERVICE & INVOLVEMENT:

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-Current

Member, Keaukaha Pana'ewa Farmers Association; Pana'ewa  
Hawaiian Homestead Hilo, Hawai'i

2002 -Current

Local School Board Member, Ke Kula 'O Nāwahītokalani'ōpu'u  
Public Charter School Kea'au, Hawai'i

References:

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