

**EDUCATION:**

**GOV. MSG. NO. 566**

Washington State University, Pullman Washington,  
Degree: Graduate Certificate in Sustainable Agriculture (Distance Education)

University of Leicester, Leicester, United Kingdom, Honorary Visiting Fellow (non-degree)

Area of focus: Palaeoecology.

University of Idaho, Moscow, Idaho G.P.A : 4.0  
Degree: Graduate Certificate in Ecological restoration (Distance Education)

University of New England, New South Wales, Australia  
Degree: Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.). Major: Peace and Community Development Studies.  
Concentration: Post-conflict peace building and Reconciliation.  
Dissertation: Building a Social Theology for Post Conflict Contexts: Rethinking Reconciliation with Special Reference to Bougainville.

Earlham College, Richmond, IN G.P.A.: 3.92  
Degree: Master of Arts (M.A.). Major: Peace Studies.  
Thesis: Ke Ala A Hiki I Noa: The Path to Liberation.

Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO G.P.A.: 3.85.  
Degree: Bachelor of Arts (B.A. Cum Laude). Major: Philosophy. Concentration: Religious Studies.

**Academic Awards:**

University of New England Research Scholarship  
Cooper II Scholarship for Academic Leadership.  
Cum Laude; Colorado State University.

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**WORK EXPERIENCE:**

University of Hawai'i, Maui College, Kahului, Maui (January 2019-May 2019, August 2020-Present)  
Instructor: Tradition and Sustainability

Hawai'i Land Trust, Wailuku Hawai'i (January, 2011- Present)  
Chief Conservation Officer and Maui Island Director/ Interim Executive Director.  
(note: the Hawaiian Islands Land Trust was formed through a merger with other land trusts in January 2011)

Maui Coastal Land Trust, Wailuku, HI (Oct. 2003 – December 2010).  
Project Manager: Habitat restoration and community development.

Pacific Peacebuilding Initiatives, Sydney, Australia (Oct. 2003).  
Instructor: "Developing Initiatives and Strategies for Peacebuilding" (Graduate level course)

University of New England, New South Wales, Australia (Aug. 2002 – Dec. 2002).  
Instructor: "Peace Studies," "Post Conflict Recovery"

Earlham School of Religion, Richmond, IN (Jan. 2002).

Instructor: "Conflict Resolution" (Graduate level course)

Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO (Aug. 1999 - Dec. 1999; Aug. 2000-Dec. 2000).

Instructor: "Issues in the Study of Religion"

Project PAVE Inc. (Promoting Alternatives to Violence through Education) (Aug. 1998-July 2000).

Educator: Teaching Violence Prevention to Colorado Youth in grades 1-12, Parents and community groups.

Maui Historical Society, Wailuku, Maui (June 1997 - Aug. 1997).

Oral Historian. Developed and implemented an extensive oral history grant.

Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO (Jan. 1995 - Jan. 1996).

Teaching Assistant. Created/taught an Introduction to Western Civilization history curriculum. Led review sessions and assisted professors.

**Consultancy:**

Mikajy (Restoration), Madagascar, Menabe Province, Madagascar. Project: Coastal Mangrove and Sand Dune Restoration, September 2019-Present.

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**CERTIFICATIONS**

Texas A&M University, Texas A&M Engineering Extension (TEEX) College Station/Bryan, Texas (March-April, 2013) Certification: Unexploded Ordnance Technician Level I (UXO Tech. I)

Army Corps of Engineers Certification Number: 3335

PADI Open Water, Advanced Open Water, Rescue Diver and Dive Master (May 1984-June, 1992);

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**MILITARY EXPERIENCE:**

United States Marine Corps (May 1988 - May 1992; Honorably Discharged).

Infantry Squad Leader. Led a seven-man squad in training exercises.

Location: Okinawa, Japan and Camp Pendleton, California (March 1991 - February 1992).

Gun Team Leader. Led an anti-armor gun team in combat during Operation Desert Storm and Desert Shield.

Location: Saudi Arabia and Kuwait (August 1990 - February 1991).

Section Leader. Rifle Security Company: Led a 13-man squad in perimeter security.

Location: Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (May-November 1989).

**Military Awards:**

Combat Action Ribbon for service in combat in Kuwait (February-March 1991).

Good Conduct Medal for superior conduct from May 1988-May 1991 (May 1991).

Meritorious Mast for exemplary leadership, Jungle Warfare School, Ft. Sherman, Panama (Sept. 1990).

Meritorious Promotion, August 1988.

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**COMMUNITY SERVICE:**

Maui/Lana'i Island Burial Council (July 2005 – July 2013; June 2016-present).

Hawai'i Wetlands Committee (May 2021-Present)

Haleakala Conservancy (March 2019- May 2021).

Maui Historical Society, Board of Directors (April 2015-December 2019)

Maui Conservation Alliance, Board of Directors and Secretary (February 2012-March 2014)

Maui Nui Marine Resources Council, Board of Directors (May, 2011-May 2015)

Waihe'e Community Association, Board of Directors and Secretary (February, 2011-May 2013)

Public Access Trails Hawaii (PATH), Board of Directors (March, 2010-January, 2011)

Polanui Hiu, Community Managed Marine Area, Leadership Team (September, 2010-January 2016)

Friends of Midway Atoll (FOMA), Board of Directors (December, 2007-February, 2011)

Hawai'i Wetlands Joint Venture, Board of Directors (February, 2007- January 2011)

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### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS:

Geological Society of America, October, 2021 (upcoming) "Modeling the Effects of Trans-Pacific Tsunamis on Nu'u, Hawai'i." Co-presented with Jasmine Stanek.

*"Appraising Geodiversity and Cultural Diversity Approaches to Building Resilience through Conservation."*  
Chris Knudsen, Kelly Kay and Scott Fisher.  
Nature Climate Change, June 2018. Reference: <http://doi.org/10.1038/s41558>.

National Land Conservation Conference, Rally, Denver, CO (October, 2017)  
"Back to the Future: Necessary Evolution Back to Traditional Community Conservation."

*"Religious Leadership and the Forging of an Enduring Narrative of Peace in the Aftermath of the Bougainville Crisis"*  
In Jenkins, Bert, DB Subedi and Kathy Jenkins (eds.) Reconciliation in the Asia-Pacific: Practices and Insight.  
Sydney: Springer Publications, 2017.

American Historical Association, New Currents in the Study of the Pacific Worlds, Denver, CO (January, 2017)  
"Historical Perspectives on Sustainability in Hawai'i."

Hawai'i Conservation Conference, Hilo, HI (August 2015)  
Ensuring Checks and Balances in Land Conservation (co-presenter).

*"Hawaiian Culture and Its Foundation in Sustainability"*  
In Chirico, Jennifer and Greg Farley (eds.) Thinking Like an Island: Navigating a Sustainable Future in Hawai'i.  
Honolulu: University of Hawai'i Press, 2015.

Tedx Honolulu, City 2.0: A Day of Urban Inspiration, Honolulu HI (October 2012)  
"Ho'ola Hou I Ka 'Āina: Pili Ana Na Kaiāulu: Restoring the land, binding the community".

Hawai'i Conservation Conference, Honolulu, HI (July, 2012)  
"Acquisition Strategies: Fee Ownership vs. Conservation Easements."

Ola Hawai'i 2020, Honolulu, HI (October 2011)  
"Sustainability in the Hawaiian Cultural Context"

The Legacy of Land, Kahului, HI (February 2011)

“Imagination and the Natural World,” with National Poet Laureate William S. Merwin and Dr. Arthur Medeiros.

Maui Institute of Sustainable Living (ISL) Expo, Kahului, HI (August 2008)

“Connecting Sustainable Living to the Native Hawaiian Context.”

Hawai’i Conservation Conference, Honolulu, HI (July 2008)

“Wetlands Restoration in a Hawaiian Cultural Context.”

Maui Water Resources Forum, Kahului, HI (December 2007)

Community Based Watershed Stewardship, “Ways Forward: Pathways for Partnership on Maui.”

Pacific Coast Joint Ventures Honolulu, HI (May 2006).

“Status and Trends of Wetlands on Maui.”

Wetlands Management in the Hawaiian Islands, Kailua, HI (October 2005).

“Coastal Wetlands Restoration: Principles, Priorities and Directions for Applied Research.”

Psychology and Conflict Resolution, University of Melbourne, Melbourne Australia (July 2003).

“Ho’oponopono: Reconciliation in the Hawaiian Context.”

*“Reconciliation as a Call to Justice: Isaiah and the Legacy of Nuclear Colonialism in the Pacific.”*

Asia Journal of Theology, Volume 17, Number 1 (April 2003).

Contemporary Research in the Arts, University of New England, Armidale, Australia (November 2002):

“Shinto and Cultural Preservation in Hawai’i.”

Religion and Reconciliation, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY (November 2000).

“Isaiah as a Call to Justice.”

## **AWARDS**

March, 2018, Sierra Club of Maui, ‘Onipa’a [Steadfastness] Award.

April 10, 2012, Maui County Council, Resolution of Congratulations, On Being Named an Environmental Hero.

March 2012, Sunset Magazine 2012; Environmental Hero Under 40;

May 10, 2011, Edward Naleihua Lindsey Aloha Award;