

GOV. MSG. NO. 568

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

21st century Hawaiian, with deep understanding of Hawaiian language, culture, values and traditions. Innovative bi-lingual educator with hands-on experience in culture-based, place-based and project-based education.

Independent thinker with strong leadership, technology and organizational skills and dedication to serving community.

SKILLS

Cultural Skills

Fluent in Hawaiian Language.
Lifelong practitioner of Hawaiian cultural practices i.e. protocol and ceremonies, food preparation etc. In depth knowledge of Hawaiian stories, chants, songs, plants, native science etc. Thoroughly grounded in place (Waipi'o Valley). Ability to live off and with the land.

Technology Skills

Knowledge of Microsoft including Excel, OneNote, Outlook, PowerPoint, Publisher, Word, OneDrive for Business. Well-versed in Instagram, Tiktok, Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and other social media channels. Knowledge of Adobe including Photoshop, Flash, Illustrator, InDesign, etc. Skilled in Website design from planning to implementation. Skilled in creating Hawaiian based graphics.

Proficient in most software and digital platforms.

Education Skills

Experience in providing diverse, interdisciplinary, multi-age learning experiences in the environment, as well as the classroom, integrating Hawaiian language and culture and technology, at a very high level. Proficient in integrating SmartBoard technology for interactive teaching and learning. Skilled in planning, coordinating, implementing and evaluating short and long-term culture and language programs and camps.

Other Skills

High level organization and coordination skills. Skilled in public relations and promotions from planning to implementation. Expert at cooking healthy foods ('aipono) for large groups. Strong communication skills.

Work History

- **Partner - Kū-A-Kanaka LLC** – Current

Collaborate on multiple projects including building social media and internet presence for Kū-A-Kanaka, creating games, providing tech support, etc.

- **Project Director for Basic Hawaiian**, Current

- Oversee online Hawaiian language and culture program, continue to build and add content to program, manage promotions of program, handle customer relations etc.

- **Social Media Consultant** , 2015 to 2015

Hawaiian Force – Hilo, HI

Contracted to set up Social Media presence for The Hawaiian Force, a Hawaiian owned and operated clothing store, including creating a Facebook and Instagram account, updating website, and creating social media content for posting.

- **Associate Project Director for Basic Hawaiian**, 2012 to 2015

INPEACE – Kapolei, HI

Associate Project Director for Basic Hawaiian the first online anytime - anywhere Hawaiian language, culture and values program. This position included creating and inputting all content from audio recordings, lessons, photos, etc., as well as writing, organizing and directing all Basic Hawaiian videos. Promotion of product through community presentations throughout Hawai'i, the continental US and Europe.

- **Hawaiian language teacher**, 2010 to 2011

Kanu O Ka 'Āina NCPCS – Waimea, HI

Taught Level 2 Hawaiian language classes at my high school to my peers during my senior year. Created own curriculum, including daily lessons and a hands-on final project, integrating SmartBoard Technology.

EDUCATION

- **Bachelor of Arts**: Liberal Studies, 2015 - Graduated with Honors

- **University of Hawai'i at Hilo** - Hilo, HI

- Recipient of 4-year Chancellor Scholarship

- Designed personalized Liberal Studies major integrating Computer Science, Business E-Commerce and Hawaiian Language and Culture

- Minor Hawaiian Studies

- Subject Certificate Computer Application Development Specialization
- **High School Diploma:** 2011
- **Kanu O Ka 'Āina New Century Public Charter School** - Waimea, Hawai'i Island -
Graduated with Honors, Magnum Cum Laude.

Honors and Awards Received

- Recipient of Fun Factory Scholarship
- Recipient of University Of Hawaii at Hilo Chancellor Scholarship
- Graduated with Magna Cum-Laude
- April 2010 Represented Hawai'i Island at 2010-2011 Hawai'i State Science and Engineering Fair on O'ahu
- February 2010 Hawaii District Science and Engineering Fair: Hapai Enterprises Outstanding Entomology/ Zoology Award, U.S Metric Association Award, Hawaii Society of Professional Engineers Award, Association for Women Geoscientist Award, Stockholm Junior Water Prize, Best in Category Award Earth and Planetary Science, Mauna Loa Science Fair Award
- Fall 2010 Principal's List (3.8–4.0) Fall 2007-Spring 2010 Honor Roll (3.0–3.7)
- December 2010 Kanu o ka 'Āina Science Fair: First Place Earth and Planetary Science, Kanu o ka 'Āina Representative 2011 Hawai'i District Science and Engineering Fair
- June 2010 Kanu o ka 'Āina Kūlia i ka Nu'u Outstanding Achievement Award
- June 2010 Hawai'i State Senate Recognition for 5 ½ years of service in the
- Waipi'o Valley Stream Restoration Study
- December 2009 Kanu o ka 'Āina Science Fair: Second Place Environmental Science
- February 2009 Hawaii District Science and Engineering Fair: Best in Category Award Earth and Planetary Science, First Place George Curtis Basic Science Award, December 2008, Kanu o ka 'Āina Science Fair: First Place Environmental Science

Leadership and/or service involvement (school or community)

- For the past five years, I have held various leadership positions serving my school and my community:
- 2008-2011 Waipi'o Waterstudy student leader: teaching new students how to do stream mapping, measuring stream flow and water quality, using various scientific equipment, explaining the study, leading discussion groups and planning activities.
- 2008-present Waipi'o Kūkulu Kumuhana Summer Camps Group Leader: leading groups of 3 student and 3 adult participants as they learn about Hawaiian history, language, and culture, sustainability, teamwork and surviving in Waipi'o.
- 2006-present Pu'ukoholā Cultural Festival Volunteer: preparing, cooking, and serving 'ai pono (healthy food) to 350 plus participants, setting up, and breaking down camp, preparing for and participating in cultural ceremonies
- 2008-present Kā Moku o Keawe Makahiki Kāko'o (support team member): in charge of athlete registration, assisting with inputting and tallying scores; prior to event help teach students at other Hawai'i Island schools to play traditional games preparing them for annual Kā Waimea Makahiki Hawaiian sports and games community competition.
- 2010-2011 Kanu o ka 'Āina Hawaiian Language Curriculum Committee Member, the only student at our school ever to become a member of a curriculum committee: assisting with K-12 Hawaiian language curriculum mapping
- 2017 – Present Member of the Waipi'o Taro Farmers Association: Rebuilding abandoned taro farms, growing food for sustainability and food sovereignty.
- 2018-Present Member of the Kōmike Ho'okele (Leadership Committee) at Kanaeokana: Building a network of Hawaiian business, organization and

schools colberooting to develop a sustainable Hawaiian Education System that will nurture the next generation of aloha 'āina leaders.