2012 NHSEMP Freshman Bridge Program

What
• The Native Hawaiian Science & Engineering Mentorship Program: A Freshman Bridge Program offered at the University of Hawaii at Manoa in collaboration with the College of Engineering.
  o Participate in science and engineering hands-on activities, projects, and field trips.
  o Explore the connection between STEM and the Hawaiian community.
  o Earn up to six+ credits of University-level coursework, including:
    ▪ HWST 107, satisfies H requirement
    ▪ MATH 140 (Pre-Calculus) or MATH 241 (Calculus I)
  o Learn to navigate the extensive University of Hawaii system (registration process, engineering core requirements, campus layout, dorm life, etc.).
  o Provide a smooth transition from high school to college.

Who
• Spaces are available for incoming, University of Hawaii at Manoa freshmen interested in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics.
• Preference will be given to Native Hawaiian, Polynesian, Alaska Native, or Native American students.

When
• July 1 – August 11, 2012 (six-weeks)
  o Dorm check-in on Sun. July 1; dorm check-out on Sat. August 11.

Where
• Located on the University of Hawaii at Manoa campus
  o Students will be housed in on-campus dorms for the entire duration of the program.
  o Activities will take place on-campus and at various field sites. (transportation will be provided)

Cost
• No application or program fees.
  o The Freshman Bridge Program is funded through a US Department of Education grant awarded to NHSEMP.
  o NHSEMP will cover the expenses of summer on-campus housing, meal plan, and tuition.
• Students will earn a $1000 stipend for successfully completing the Freshman Bridge Program to be used towards academic expenses at the University of Hawaii at Manoa in the Fall 2012 semester.

Transportation
• Transportation will be provided for all off-campus, NHSEMP-funded activities.
• Students are responsible for their own transportation to and from the UH Manoa campus before checking into the dorms in July and after checking out of the dorms in August.
• Students are responsible for finding their own transportation for any activities/events not related to or offered by the NHSEMP Freshman Bridge Program.

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