# 2014 NHSEMP Freshman Bridge Program – Fact Sheet

## What

- The Native Hawaiian Science & Engineering Mentorship Program: A Freshman Bridge Program offered at the University of Hawaii at Manoa.
  - o Participate in STEM research in state-of-the-art research facilities.
  - Work side-by-side with University of Hawaii STEM faculty, researchers, graduate, and undergraduate students.
  - Explore the connection between STEM and the Hawaiian community through hands-on activities and field trips.
  - Earn five+ credits of University-level coursework, including:
    - MATH 140 (Pre-Calculus) or MATH 241 (Calculus I)
    - HWST 107, satisfies H requirement
  - o Learn to navigate the extensive University of Hawaii system (registration, STEM advising, etc).
  - o Provide a smooth transition from high school to college.

## Who

- Spaces are available for traditional 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

- June 9 August 14, 2014 (four weeks non-residential; six weeks residential)
  - o Non-Residential: June 9 July 4, 2014
    - Approximately 15-20 hours per week in research labs.
    - Site visits, professional development workshops, field trips.

Residential: July 6 - August 14, 2014

Dorm check-in: Sun. July 6; dorm check-out: Fri. August 15.

## Where

- Located on the University of Hawaii at Manoa campus
  - o Students will be housed in on-campus dorms for the last six weeks of the program.
  - Activities will take place on-campus and at various field sites.

#### Cost

- No application fee. Students will need to cover any textbook expenses.
  - o Freshman Bridge is funded through a US Department of Education grant awarded to NHSEMP.
  - o NHSEMP will cover the expenses of 6-week summer on-campus housing, meal plan, & tuition.
- Students will earn up to 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 2014 semester.

## **Transportation**

- Transportation will be provided for all off-campus, NHSEMP-funded activities and field trips.
- Students are responsible for their own transportation to and from the UH Manoa campus during the weeks of June 9-July 4, 2014 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.

# **Neighbor Island or Mainland Students**

- Housing is available during the weeks of June 9-July 6, 2014.
  - o Contact Kelli Ching at 808-956-7945 if you have any questions.