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THE WAHI KŪPUNA INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

A unique summer internship
in Hawaiian Biocultural
Stewardship



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ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Wahi Kūpuna Internship Program was created by Huliuaapa'a in 2010 with support and funding from Kamehameha Schools.

The internship program is open to undergraduate and graduate students in any of the University of Hawai'i campuses or UH Community Colleges, who are enrolled in Anthropology, Archaeology, Hawaiian Studies or a related field.

During the program, interns engage in place and community-based Wahi Kūpuna Stewardship projects that are geared towards developing cultural, academic, social, professional, and technical skillsets.

A vertical timeline graphic for the Wahi Kūpuna Internship Program. At the top, there is a map of the Hawaiian Islands with red location pins. Below the map are several logos, including the University of Hawai'i and various community organizations. The timeline itself consists of a series of red hearts, each corresponding to a year from 2010 to 2023. Below the hearts are the names of the internship sites for each year. The text 'PREVIOUS INTERNSHIPS' is centered in a large, serif font.

PREVIOUS INTERNSHIPS

2010- AHU A 'UMI, KONA, HAWAI'I

2011- KAHUWAI, PUNA, HAWAI'I

2012- KA'ŪPŪLEHU, KONA, HAWAI'I

2013- PUANUI, KOHALA, HAWAI'I

2014- KA'Ū, HAWAI'I

2015- HĀMĀKUA HIKINA, HAWAI'I

2016- PI'ŌPI'Ō, HILO, HAWAI'I

2017- WAIAWA, 'EWA, O'AHU

2018 - HŌNAUNAU & KE'EI, KONA, HAWAI'I

2019 - WAIPĀ, HALELE'A, KAUA'I

2020- KOHALA, HAWAI'I

2021- KOHOLĀLELE, HĀMĀKUA, HAWAI'I

2022- KAHALU'U KŪĀHEWA, KONA, HAWAI'I

2023- KAHALU'U MAKAI, KONA, HAWAI'I

LEARN NEW SKILLS

ETHNOHISTORICAL RESEARCH

Ethnohistorical information provides the kahua or foundation for understanding the natural, cultural, and layers of people and places and historical layers.

COMMUNITY ETHNOGRAPHY

Community ethnography involves conducting oral history interviews with kūpa'āina to acknowledge and document their unique and historical connections to place.

'ĀINA FIELD METHODS

'Āina field methods, including archaeological field techniques, help us learn about how our kūpuna utilized their biocultural resources to thrive in unique environments.