Field experience

Getting real-life experience is critical for being prepared in your field of expertise. Students enrolled in the Intercollege Nutrition PhD Program are encouraged to engage in an area of nutrition that fosters their development to become future leaders in the field of nutrition.

Train and work in your field of interest!

Work alongside faculty that are engaged in global research projects.

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E komo mai!

Intercollege PhD Program in Nutrition

University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa
The Intercollege Nutrition PhD Program at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa is interdisciplinary, offering a wide range of emphases in the study of nutrition, such as in Human Nutrition, Animal Nutrition, Food Science, Medicine, Public Health and Cancer Research. The faculty conduct their research in diverse settings that include the laboratory, the clinic, the ocean, and in remote Pacific islands. Study in Hawai‘i offers an opportunity to be a part of emerging areas of research on global nutrition issues with some unique areas of study that include tropical foods, island populations, and their cultures and health conditions. The Pacific population is one of the most ethnically diverse in the world. The Intercollege PhD Program in Nutrition is based on the main campus in the green Mānoa valley on the island of Oahu, with several of our faculty based at the Kaka'ako campus based next to the ocean.

Hawai‘i is warm and friendly year round! We invite you submit an application to study with us.

Aloha,
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Program overview and specialities

The Intercollege PhD Program in Nutrition’s collaboration with the University of Hawai‘i Cancer Center (UHCC), John A Burns School of Medicine (JABSOM) and faculty in Nutrition, Animal Science and Food Science and other faculty, in the home Department of Human Nutrition, Food and Animal Sciences allows for students to create a plan of study with several emphases. Students can attain a PhD in Nutrition with an emphasis on:

- Human nutrition (related to biochemistry, cell and molecular biology)
- Public health, Community or global nutrition (including an emphasis in indigenous and cultural aspects of nutrition)
- Disease prevention (especially areas related to cancer)
- Clinical nutrition
- Epidemiology
- Animal nutrition (related to nutrient utilization, physiology, disorders, growth, and aquaculture)
- Food science (related to food chemistry, engineering and processing, microbiology, safety, and functional foods)

Due to the breadth of degree programs available at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, students are encouraged to determine course plans that meet their desired program emphasis in consultation with their Advisor and the Graduate Chair.