The University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa campus is home to more than 750 species of trees and plants. They intrigue campus visitors and provide students and professors with a living botanical laboratory.

A campus plant tour is available beginning from Bachman Hall to the East-West Center. The tour covers 81 species (34 Families) of mostly introduced plants. Allow 2 hours to complete the walking tour.

**UHM CAMPUS PLANT COLLECTION**

Living Specimens: > 750 species
Established: 1907
EAST-WEST CENTER JAPANESE GARDEN (UHM)

There are more than 300 public Japanese gardens in North America. A few dozen of them are particularly noteworthy. The East-West Center Japanese garden ranked 23rd in a recent US survey (2004).

This serene garden on the UH Mānoa campus was the gift of a group of Japanese businessmen and the result of a 1963 East-West Center project on landscape architecture that involved specialists from Asia, the Pacific and the United States.

Japanese Princess (now Empress) Michiko blessed the garden when the koi were introduced into the garden stream. It is located at University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa Campus, off of East-West Road behind the Hawai‘i Imin International Conference Center, which is across from Kennedy Theater.

Living Specimens: 50 species
Established: 1963

HALE HALAWAI NATIVE HAWAIIAN GARDEN (UHM)

The Hale Halawai Native Hawaiian Garden is found between Burns Hall and Hale Mānoa, East West Center. The friendship circle was dedicated in 1983, and reconstructed in 2003.

The garden is maintained by the East-West Center (EWC) and includes common native Hawaiian coastal plants and trees.

Hale Halawai is intended for EWC social/cultural activities with students-organized events having priority.

Living Specimens: 25 plant species including native and Hawaiian heritage plants
Established: 2003, 1983

KA PAPA LO‘I O KANEWAI CULTURAL GARDEN (UHM)

Ka Papa Lo‘i o Kanewai Cultural Garden assists in, and supports, educational research and curriculum development while fully embracing the traditional Hawaiian values and practices that have revived this historic land of Kanewai.

Kanewai is a refuge to all who come to partake of its resources, be they educational groups, classes, or community entities seeking information and knowledge through tours or hands-on experience, by providing cultural education ranging from ahupua‘a traditional resource management, Hawaiian scientific land tenure, makua makai issues and water concerns, to the application of traditional Hawaiian values in caring for the lo‘i and garden on a daily basis.

As the foremost “huli bank” in Hawai‘i, Kanewai provides consultation, advisement and assistance to other kalo farmers through the information gathered in its research studies. Many native Hawaiian plants can be found around the cultural garden.

Living Specimens: 50 species
Established: 1980, from prior historical continuous cultivation.

KRAUSS HALL COURTYARD WATER GARDEN (UHM)

The Krauss Hall courtyard water garden was originally designed by Richard C. Tong and Lorraine Kuck in 1948.

In 1996, Betsy Sakata, lotus and water lily expert (and associate dean of Summer Sessions),
Restored the courtyard pond and plantings. Then in 2004, after the October flood, volunteers and Outreach College staff restored the pond, plantings, and fish again.

Living Specimens: 10 species

St. John Laboratory Courtyard Garden (UHM)

Established in 1971 by Doug Friend, the St. John Courtyard garden is a living collection serves as teaching resource to support the Botany Departments undergraduate and graduate courses.

Living plant material is collected for laboratory courses and lectures. This material is useful in identification, anatomy, physiology, taxonomy and morphology related lessons. The collection comprises a high taxonomic diversity including many native species (many plant families found in Hawai’i), and ethnobotanically important species.

Plants are labeled with informative signs, which include Genus-species (Family), Common names and Origin (distribution).

In recent years, the following students have assisted in the maintenance of the St. John courtyard including Zach Eisenberg, Carl Hansen, Han Lau, Uala Lenta, Carrie Peironi, Bruce Hoffman, Kawika Winter, and Kawika Duvauchelle, Tony Lammers. We thank them for their efforts in maintaining this important resource.

Living Specimens: > 100 species
Established: 1975

Sherman Laboratory Courtyard Garden (UHM)

The University of Hawai‘i at is not only a showcase for native Hawaiian plants but also important as an educational garden.

Students and the community can to learn about the diversity of plants and ecosystems in Hawaii as well as recognize the beauty and utility of native plants in public spaces.

In 2006 the garden received a Beautification Award in Government Landscaping from The Outdoor Circle.

Living Specimens: 20 plant species including native and Hawaiian heritage plants.
Established: Replanted in 2004
Other University of Hawaiʻi Botanical Gardens

**UNIVERSITY OF HAWAIʻI – HILO CYCAD & PALM GARDEN**

The University of Hawaiʻi at Hilo’s Botanical Garden is recognized as having one of the most extensive public displays of cycads and palms in the State with nearly 200 species on display.

**Location:** 200 W. Kawili Street, Hilo, Hawaiʻi

**Living Specimens:** 186 species

**Established:** ca. 2000

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**KAPIʻOLANI COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAMPUS PLANTS**

The building names on the Kapiʻolani Community College serve as a reminder to students of the natural environment and reference native plants that are either endemic or indigenous to Hawaiʻi. Many native Hawaiian plants are found on the KCC campus. Some of buildings have their namesake plant at the entrance.

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**Location:** Kapiʻolani Community College, 4303 Diamond Head Road, Honolulu, Hawaiʻi

**Living Specimens:** n/a

**Established:** 1974

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**KAPIʻOLANI COMMUNITY COLLEGE CACTUS GARDEN (KCC)**

The Kapiʻolani Community College Cactus Garden was founded by Mr. Moriso Teraoka in 1988. Mr. Teraoka, who enjoys collecting plants, donated the Cactus Garden plants, which he ordered from various catalogs. He then volunteered his time to design and care for the garden for the first couple of years. Eventually, Mr. Teraoka, who is well into his 70’s, decided to return to school and enrolled in a class at KCC. Today, he continues to maintain the garden.

**Location:** Kapiʻolani Community College, 4303 Diamond Head Road, Honolulu, Hawaiʻi

**Living Specimens:** not recorded

**Established:** 1988