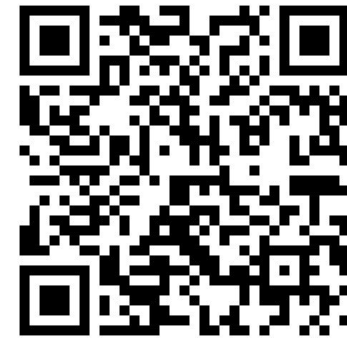




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Sept 12, 2025, 12-1:30 pm

Wist 233

Let's talk about

How to publish academic papers as a graduate student

with Brent Edwards

Brent Edwards is Professor and Chair of the Department of Educational Foundations at the University of Hawaii at Manoa. He has written or edited 13 books and more than 150 journal articles, book chapters, reports, and popular media publications. His work examines on the global governance of education from critical perspectives. Geographically, his research has primarily focused on Latin America (Colombia, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Paraguay) and Southeast Asia (Cambodia, Indonesia, the Philippines, Singapore), though he has also conducted research in Africa (Kenya, Namibia, Zambia).



This talk discusses strategies for using course papers, conference presentations, small-scale research projects, and graduate theses and dissertations as the basis for academic publications such as journal articles and book chapters. Topics addressed include: how to conceptualize academic papers; options for where to publish; the submission, feedback, and revision process; how to respond to reviewers; what to do when you get rejected; benefits of articles vs. book chapters; and recommendations for creating a public profile to share your work.



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Oct 3rd, 2025, 12-1:30 pm

Wist 131

Let's talk about

**Routing Nakem Praxis in the Diaspora: A
Nakemista Praxis in Lahaina and Ilokano
Heritage Language Learning in the diaspora**

**with Drs. Jeffrey Acido &
Debralyn Andres Arellano**

Dr. Jeffrey Miguel Acido is an Instructor of Philippine Studies at Leeward CC and a Kaibigan Ng Lahaina Board Member.

Dr. Debralyn Andres Arellano is the Vice Principal at Lahainaluna High School, and Kaibigan Ng Lahaina Vice President.



Join us to learn about Indigenous Ilokano and Amianan (Northern Philippines) epistemologies and pedagogies. We will present our work among Ilokano and Filipinos in Lahaina with regard to the resiliency and vanguard work in response to the Lahaina fires and how Nakem as Ilokano Intelligence operates.

In addition, we will discuss what learning Ilokano language means to the Ilokano heritage learners and its impact on their identity in the diaspora.



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Let's talk about

**Nobody is Protected: The
Geography of the Border Patrol's
100-mile Zone**

with Dr. Reece Jones

Dr. Reece Jones is a professor of Geography and Environment at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa. He is the author of five books: *Smuggler* (2026, with Greg Boos), *Nobody is Protected* (2022), *White Borders* (2021), *Violent Borders* (2016), and *Border Walls* (2012), as well as four edited volumes. He is a Guggenheim Fellow, Fellow of the American Association of Geographers, and editor-in-chief of the journal *Geopolitics*.



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November 7th, 2025, 12-1:30 pm

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Join us to learn about the history and the contemporary implications of the US Border Patrol's expansive authority in the 100-mile border zone.



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Let's talk about

**US Border Externalization:
Migrant Carcerality and
Containment in the Americas**

with Dr. Debbie Samaniego

Dr. Debbie Samaniego is an Assistant Professor of International Relations in the Department of Political Science at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. Broadly, her research engages a range of critical frameworks, with a particular emphasis on decolonial and settler colonial studies, to investigate the global migration politics. Her current research project examines the colonial foundations of migration governance, focusing on processes of racialization, displacement, (b)ordering, and militarization in the Americas.



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January 23rd, 2026, 12-1:30 pm

Room TBD



Join us to learn about how U.S. border enforcement has expanded beyond securing the physical border during Donald Trump's second presidential term. This talk offers a historical overview of U.S. border externalization and contextualizes the challenges faced by migrants under the current administration. In particular, it will focus on two key developments: deportations to El Salvador's notorious CECOT prison and Mexico's growing role in restricting Central American migrants' mobility.



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Let's talk about

Border Abolition as Decolonization

with Dr. Nandita Sharma

Dr. Nandita Sharma is Professor of Sociology at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, and an activist scholar engaged in No Borders movements and struggles for the planetary commons. She is the author of *Home Rule: National Sovereignty and the Separation of Natives and Migrants* (Duke University Press, 2020) and *Home Economics: Nationalism and the Making of 'Migrant Workers' in Canada* (University of Toronto Press, 2006). She is currently co-editing three forthcoming volumes: *Hydra Rising! The Ongoing Struggle for Freedom, Mobility and the Commons* (with Bridget Anderson and Cynthia Wright, Duke University Press, forthcoming), *Maritime Solidarities, Past and Present* (with Marcus Rediker, Niklas Frykman, and Pepin Brandon), and *Against Nations: A Manifesto for a Freer & More Equal World* (with Steve Sacco).



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February 13th, 2026, 12-1:30 pm

Room TBD

Join us to learn how states' governance of mobility shapes state power. Dr. Nandita Sharma traces how mobility regimes shifted from imperial to national sovereignty in the 19th century, and how the hegemony of national sovereignty after World War Two made nationalism the governmentality of what she calls the "postcolonial new world order." She examines how today's intensification of nationalisms and migration controls is justified through autochthonous discourses. Dr. Sharma also highlights the politics of No Borders movements, which call for the free mobility of all people, representing an important rupture to postcolonial rule.





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**Attention and Effortful Learning:
A Response to the Ethical and
Evolutionary Challenge of AI**

with Dr. Peter Hershock

Peter D. Hershock is an intercultural philosophe and past Director of the Asian Studies Development Program. He is currently Adjunct Senior Fellow at the East-West Center in Honolulu, a founding member of Engaged Buddhists for Responsible AI, and the author or editor of more than a dozen books, including *Buddhism in the Public Sphere: Reorienting Global Interdependence* (2006); *Valuing Diversity: Buddhist Reflection on Realizing a More Equitable Global Future* (2012); *Buddhism and Intelligent Technology: Toward a More Humane Future* (2021); and *Consciousness Mattering: A Buddhist Synthesis* (2023).



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March 6th, 2026, 12-1:30 pm

Room TBD

Artificial intelligence is being celebrated by techno-optimists as driving a Fourth Industrial Revolution that will set humanity on a glidepath into utopian futures of frictionless choice. Techno-pessimists warn that AI poses an existential threat to humanity and may curtail our abilities to choose our own futures. This talk will offer a middle path approach to the risks and opportunities of AI, arguing that humanity is nearing an evolutionary and ethical tipping point, and that navigating through and beyond it will depend both on a foundational shift of educational heading and virtuosic commitment to the pursuit of freedom-of-attention.



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April 17th, 2026, 12-1:30 pm

Room TBD

Let's talk about

Approaches to Research in Educational Foundations: A Faculty Roundtable

with **EDEF Faculty**

Baoyan Cheng - Grad Chair/Associate Prof.

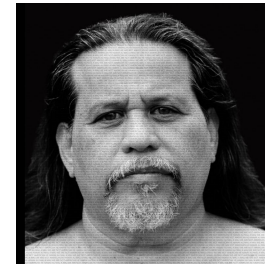
Xu Di - Professor

D. Brent Edwards Jr. - Dept.
Chair/Professor

Kekai Perry - Associate Professor

Alex Means - Associate Professor

Hannah Tavares - Associate Professor



This roundtable highlights research from the faculty of the Department of Educational Foundations. Students will have a chance to hear directly from EDEF faculty about their research projects, the kinds of theoretical approaches on which they draw, and their perspectives on avenues for future work. Faculty comments will be followed by Q&A with attendees. Come prepared with the questions you always wanted to ask EDEF faculty about their work!