



Date: November 1, 2018

To: Applicants to the Elementary Education Program (EEP); including General Elementary, Dual Preparation in Exceptional Students and Elementary Education (ESEE), Dual Preparation in Elementary and Early Childhood Education, Dual Preparation in Elementary Education and Multilingual Learning

From: Ku'ulei Serna, Director

Subject: Required Interview for Fall 2019

Aloha Applicants! We welcome your application to the EEP, Fall 2019.

Interviews are required of all eligible applicants. All applicants must use Mākālei to submit a complete online application by the deadline. **If you have any questions about the admission requirements, please contact OSAS at 808-956-7915.**

Priority Deadline Applicants: For applicants who *submit a complete application by February 1, interviews will be held on Friday, February 8 or Friday, March 15.*

Final Deadline Applicants: For applicants who *submit a complete application by March 1, interviews will be held on Friday, March 15.*

Interviews will be held in Wist Hall on the UHM campus (Oahu residents) or online (neighbor island and out-of-state residents). Wist Hall is located in the College of Education near the corner of University Avenue & Metcalf Street. The exact room location will be provided when you sign up for an interview. For online participants, access to the online platform will be provided before your interview date. Whether you are interviewing face-to-face or via the online platform, please arrive early so we can begin on time.

After you submit your Mākālei online application [click here and complete the online reservation form to schedule an interview](#). *Priority deadline applicants must schedule an interview by February 4, and final deadline applicants must schedule an interview by March 8.* You must schedule an interview using the on-line link provided above. Space for each date and time slot is limited. Online interviews for neighbor island and out-of-state residents will only take place on March 15. No walk-in/unannounced interviews will be allowed. Please contact Aaron Levine at 808-956-0726 if you have further questions about the interview.

Please bring the following items with you to your interview:

1. A **nametag** that is easy for others to read. Please wear it to the interview.
2. An item or **artifact** that you can use to tell something about your prior work with children.
3. A copy of the **Professional Dispositions Assessment**. You do not need to complete the form. [Click here to access the form link, and then download/print a copy.](#)
4. **Laptop** (see short essay section below).
5. A **pen or pencil**.



Interviews are held in small groups and applicants will take turns answering questions about being a teacher. Applicants will answer questions round-robin style. We will start by having you describe your artifact, what it conveys about you, and your prior work with children. We also will discuss the Professional Dispositions for teacher candidates. Be sure you have read the dispositions and are prepared to talk about them.

After the interview, you will spend approximately 20 minutes composing a short essay about a provided topic. Applicants will need to compose the short essay on a laptop computer. Applicants who do not have their own laptop may borrow one by contacting the College Collaboration Center (CCC) *at least 5 days* before the interview. The CCC is located on the first floor of Wist Hall (808-956-3635). The whole interview process should take about two hours.

The essay will be scored. Applicants who do not receive a passing score may be assigned to a writing tutor during the program.

For those applicants with any learning, physical, psychiatric or other documented disabilities who need special accommodations for the interview, please contact the Kokua Program at: <http://www.hawaii.edu/kokua/services.htm>, 808-956-7511.