

DEPT. COMM. NO. 173

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The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi, President and Members of the Senate Thirtieth State Legislature Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 The Honorable Scott Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirtieth State Legislature Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

For your information and consideration, the University of Hawai'i is transmitting one copy of the Annual Report on University of Hawai'i's Student Scholarship and Assistance Special Fund, FY 2019 (Section 304A-2159, Hawai'i Revised Statutes) as requested by the Legislature.

In accordance with Section 93-16, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, this report may be viewed electronically at: https://www.hawaii.edu/offices/government-relations/2020-legislative-reports/.

Should you have any questions about this report, please do not hesitate to contact Stephanie Kim at 956-4250, or via e-mail at scskim@hawaii.edu.

Sincerely

David Lassner President

Enclosure

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REPORT TO THE 2020 LEGISLATURE

Annual Report on University of Hawai'i's Student Scholarship and Assistance Special Fund, FY 2019

HRS 304A-2159

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Academic Year Expenditures

Pursuant to Act 161 (1995), Act 237 (1996), and HRS sections 304A-501 and 304A-502 which authorizes the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i to grant, modify and suspend previous legislatively mandated tuition waivers as well as to establish new ones, this report summarizes these expenditures for the 2018-19 academic year.

As part of its commitment to returning tuition revenue collected for financial assistance to students, the University awarded system-wide scholarships totaling \$47,202,693 to 16,210 students in 2018-19. More specifically, these Board-approved tuition revenue scholarships were awarded to students with financial need (10,614 students) as well as for merit purposes including high academic scholarship (4,496 students), Regents & Presidential Scholars (96 students), highly qualified international students from the Asian Pacific region (281 students), athletics (520 students) and qualified students from certain Pacific Island jurisdictions (203 students).

In 2018-19, an additional \$71,361,006 in Board-approved non-resident tuition differentials were waived for 7,969 non-resident students in such categories as the following: East-West Center student grantees pursuing baccalaureate or advanced degrees (69 students); United States military personnel stationed in Hawai'i on active duty, and their authorized dependents during the period that the personnel are stationed in Hawai'i (1,555 students); Members of the Hawai'i National Guard and the Hawai'i Reserves (62 students); Native Hawaiians whose domicile is outside of Hawai'i (517 students); Employees of the university, their spouses, and their dependents (83 students); Veterans and individuals eligible to use GI Bill or Montgomery GI Bill Active Duty educational benefits (1,294 students); individuals with special talents and/or unique skills who will make a significant contribution to campus life (247 students); institutional agreements with the Pacific Islands (382 students); student exchange (440 students), Dept. of Education Teacher Exemption (1 student), and Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) (3,319 students). Tuition revenues from these non-resident students was \$78,898,176.

Also, in 2018-19, Board-approved tuition exemptions for 3,287 students totaling \$32,631,196 were awarded. These students received full or partial exemption of tuition charges in the following categories: Native Hawaiians students (670 students), University employees (685 students) and their spouses/domestic partners (141 students), graduate assistants (1,425 students), international student exchange (122 students) and other special talent individuals (244 students). Note that 79 employees are included in both the tuition differentials information above and in this tuition exemptions information.