# Ku'uleialohaonālani "Ku'ulei" Salzer-Vitale, MSW, MPA

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Education

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

Honolulu, HI

Master of Public Administration Master of Social Work Bachelor of Arts in History

# **Experience**

#### **Faculty Specialist**

Honolulu, HI

May 2019- Present

# **Alcohol and Other Drug Education Program Coordinator**

Office of Student Affairs, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

- Refer students to substance misuse treatment when appropriate.
- Recruit, train, and supervise graduate student assistants who provide counseling services to students.
- Train and provide consultation to health service clinician staff in substance misuse screening and referrals.
- Research new evidence based practices in the field and modifies procedures and protocols as appropriate.
- Over see the successful continuation of the Mālama Project, UHM's collegiate recovery program.
- Research opportunities for external funding to support program and student support.

#### **Alcohol Abuse Prevention Specialist**

Kāne'ohe, HI

July 2018-April 2019

Marine Corps Community Services- Marine Corps Base Hawai'i

- Independently ensures program operation of the Alcohol Screening Program.
- Community representative of the Substance Abuse Counting Center.
- Connects marines and sailors to community organizations for services or volunteer opportunities.
- Author and publish annual prevention plan for Marine Corps Base Hawai'i (MCBH).
- Submits monthly metrics of outreach and training participants to Headquarters Marine Corps.
- Partners with other prevention organizations to implement community outreach programs.
- Present safety briefings at New Arrival Orientation and different commands on MCBH.

#### **Assistant Residence Director**

Honolulu, HI

October 2016-July 2018

University Housing Services, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

- Supervised and provided on-going professional development for a staff of ten Resident Assistants (RA).
- Served on an on-call crisis response (monthly) rotation for an on-campus population of 3,500 students.
- Conducted biannual trainings for RAs in team building, and customer service proficiency.
- Processed and adjudicated resident judicial cases with students who allegedly violated housing policy.

### **Health Educator**

Honolulu, HI

August 2015- October 2016

University Health Services, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

- Planned, organized, coordinated, and implemented health education fairs on UHM campus.
- Authored social norm posters to increase health awareness on UHM campus.
- Assisted with Education Psychology: Health and Wellness Issues in Higher Education.

### **Alcohol and Drug Education Counselor**

Honolulu, HI

August 2014-July 2018

Health Promotion Program, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

- Provide individual alcohol and drug counseling services for voluntary and nonvoluntary college students.
- Organized and maintained confidential files of clients and assisted in the collection and data reporting.
- Created personalized feedback reports and counseled clients in recommended treatment options.
- Followed established protocols, using motivational interviewing techniques with a harm reduction philosophy.

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## **Skills**

# **Certified Prime For Life Trainer: Alcohol and Drug Prevention**

September 2018-Present

- Conducts alcohol and drug prevention training using the trans-theoretical model of behavioral change.
- Connect and inform trainees of alcohol and drug prevention resources and community organizations.

### **Certified Safe Talk Trainer: Suicide Prevention**

May 2016- Present

- Coordinate and conduct trainings that prepare trainees to become a suicide-alert helper.
- Connect and inform trainees of community suicide prevention resources and community organizations.

## **Computer Applications**

- Microsoft Office proficient
- Adobe Acrobat proficient
- Type 80 WPM

### **CPR & First Aid Certified**