
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO
DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAMS
THAT DIRECTLY ALIGN WITH JOB OPPORTUNITIES AND INDUSTRY
NEEDS WITHIN THEIR RESPECTIVE REGION OF SERVICE.

1 WHEREAS, the State's economic vitality depends on a skilled
2 workforce that meets the needs of key regional industries,
3 including tourism and hospitality, agriculture, marine research,
4 renewable energy, and health care; and
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6 WHEREAS, each of the University of Hawaii Community
7 Colleges plays a vital role in providing accessible,
8 regionally-relevant higher education that supports local
9 economic development; and
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11 WHEREAS, aligning academic programs with current and
12 emerging job opportunities in each region will benefit students,
13 local employers, and the overall economic growth of the State;
14 now, therefore,
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16 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
17 Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
18 of 2025, that the University of Hawaii Community Colleges are
19 requested to develop a comprehensive list of Bachelor's degree
20 programs that directly align with job opportunities and industry
21 needs within their respective region of service; and
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23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED in developing the list, the
24 University of Hawaii Community Colleges are requested to
25 evaluate the regional economic drivers and their respective
26 areas of strength and align programming accordingly; and
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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the University of Hawaii Community
29 Colleges are requested to collaborate with local industry
30 leaders and stakeholders to ensure these programs are designed
31 in accordance with current labor market data and the specific
32 economic needs of each region; and
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 Resolution be transmitted to the President of the University of
3 Hawaii and Vice President for Community Colleges of the
4 University of Hawaii.

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