CAMPUS GOVERNANCE

Purpose:
The interests of students, faculty, and staff are represented by three separate and equally important bodies:

- Associated Students of the University of Hawai‘i - Hawai‘i Community College
- Academic Senate
- College Council

In order to ensure the integrity and effectiveness of the College’s governance and decision-making processes, roles of governance groups, such as College Council and Academic Senate, will be regularly evaluated and results communicated with college constituent groups.

Academic Senate

The Academic Senate of Hawaii Community College convenes as an organization to maintain and strengthen academic decision-making at the College and systemwide levels. The purpose of the Academic Senate is to ensure academic integrity of the College. The Senate functions as a recommending and governing body. Senate responsibilities include but are not limited to the development, modification, initiation, and review of academic policies and issues in consultation with the Chancellor and others as needed. Membership consists of all BOR-appointed instructional and non-instructional faculty covered by Collective Bargaining Unit 7 who have their primary assignment with HawCC. Members of the Academic Senate are referred to as Senators. All Senators have rights of voice and vote.

Associated Students of the University of Hawai‘i - Hawai‘i Community College

The Associated Students of the University of Hawai‘i - Hawai‘i Community College (ASUH-HawCC) pledge to forge a community which is student oriented and establishes a democratic system of government committed to fellowship and service. ASUH-HawCC is a chartered student organization (CSO) to carry out functions or operations on behalf of the University for the purpose of serving the entire Student Body of HawCC. The following are its objectives:
Student Governance: ASUH-HawCC represents the students of Hawai‘i Community College. Its main focus and duties include research, education and action related to the community college.

Awareness:
Promotes awareness of issues, gains support for changes and initiates actions to create the desired campus environment.

Advocacy:
Advocates for community college and student issues at the county, state, and federal government levels.

Policy Making:
Provides representative input on policies and decisions affecting instruction and student services for HawCC students.

Co-curricular Services:
Implements co-curricular programs and services of interest that benefit HawCC students.

Fiscal Stewardship:
Practices responsible fiscal stewardship of the mandatory fees collected by the College on behalf of the Student Body.

Membership consists of students whose home campus is HawCC and who are enrolled in at least one (1) credit offered by HawCC.

Student Government Bylaws

College Council

The purpose of the Council is to serve as a college-wide organization with representation from all the major campus constituencies and ex officio members (see Art. III, Section 2). As representatives of the Kauhale, the Council will develop and assist in the implementation of the College’s Strategic Plan through an inclusive, participatory, and transparent planning, evaluation, and resource allocation process. The Council will be responsible for providing oversight for campus-wide committee tasks and reviewing policies affecting the institution. The Council will advise the Chancellor on issues that affect the entire College that are not exclusively governed by another body, such as the Academic Senate or the Associated Students of the University of Hawai‘i (ASUH)

College Council Charter

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Susan S. Kazama                         Date
Interim Chancellor

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