



**SOL CENTER**  
CULTIVATING CLIMATE JUSTICE AND PEACE

 **UWC** SHORT COURSE

# Huaka'i Hawai'i Participant Application

Thank you for your interest in the **Huaka'i Hawai'i** program. Please read our eligibility criteria below. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at [info@solcenterhi.com](mailto:info@solcenterhi.com). We look forward to reading your application!

## Application Process

1. Submit an application, including all permission forms. (Forms will be made available for download from the website by January 15.) You may apply [online](#) or email this completed application form to [info@solcenterhi.com](mailto:info@solcenterhi.com).
2. If accepted, receive Acceptance Packet and officially register. The following are some of the items required in order to fully register. Please make sure these will be available if you are accepted:
  - A recent photograph
  - A photocopy of your DNI or Passport – indicating your ability to travel to Hawai'i (if you are not a resident of Hawai'i)
  - Authorization to participate by your parent(s) or legal guardians
  - Health forms (available for download on the website by January 15)

## Eligibility Criteria

There is no academic requirement for participation. We will review all applications, but please review the criteria below to make sure this is a program in which you can fully participate. Please note we will be in the outdoors every day. This course is not a traditional classroom experience. It is place-based and experiential – the ocean, beaches, coastlines, and farms across O'ahu will be our learning laboratory. As such, the course is physically active, and involves swimming as well as getting dirty and muddy as we engage in service in Hawai'i's natural and agricultural settings. You do not need to have prior experience in this arena, you just need to be excited to jump in now!

## We are looking for enthusiastic young people who are:

- Aged 15 to 18 years old
- Able to communicate in a conversational level of English
- Eager to learn about Hawai'i, other peoples, and cultures
- Willing to embrace sustainable pathways toward creating a more just and peaceful world

## Physical Expectations

- Able to hike as much as 6 miles (primarily on flat ground but with some periodic up hills)
- Comfortable getting dirty and muddy in the outdoors
- Comfortable in an ocean environment
- Know how to swim

## Participant Information

1. **Full Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ 2. **Preferred name to be called:** \_\_\_\_\_
3. **Birthdate** (mm/dd/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_ 4. **Nationality:** \_\_\_\_\_
5. **Gender:** ☐ Female ☐ Male ☐ Third gender non-binary Self describe: \_\_\_\_\_
6. **Preferred pronouns:** ☐ she / her / hers ☐ he / him / his ☐ they / them / theirs
7. **Mobile phone number:** \_\_\_\_\_ 8. **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_
9. **Current home address**  
Street Number  
City, State, Country, Postal Code
10. **Mailing address** (if different from home address)
- \_\_\_\_\_
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## Parent/Guardian Information

- Parent/Guardian 1:** (name) \_\_\_\_\_ **Relationship:** \_\_\_\_\_
- Mobile phone number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_
- Parent/Guardian 2:** (name) \_\_\_\_\_ **Relationship:** \_\_\_\_\_
- Mobile phone number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Languages

1. **Primary language spoken:** \_\_\_\_\_
2. **Additional languages spoken:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(describe level of proficiency: basic, conversational, or fluent)

## Course-Related Information

1. Have you participated in other summer camps or UWC Short Courses? ☐ yes ☐ no

2. Have you travelled outside your country alone before? ☐ yes ☐ no

3. Have you applied and been accepted to any UWC program in the past? ☐ yes ☐ no  
(school, short course, or summer program)

• If you answered “yes,” please state which UWC program and when:

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4. Have you applied, or do you plan to apply, for any other UWC program in 2020? ☐ yes ☐ no  
(school, short course, or summer program)

• If you answered “yes,” please state which UWC program and when:

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5. Do you consider yourself to be reasonably physically fit? ☐ yes ☐ no

6. Do you have any medical condition or disability which may hinder your full participation in the program of activities? ☐ yes ☐ no

• If you answered “yes,” please provide details of your disability or medical condition.

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7. What kind of scholarship do you require in order to participate in this course?

☐ Full ☐ Partial ☐ Airfare ☐ I do not require a scholarship.

8. How did you hear about this course?

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## References

Please submit two letters of reference. A reference should be an adult other than a relative who can speak to your involvement in your community, your interests, and your character in general.

**Please provide one academic reference:**

**Reference 1:** (name) \_\_\_\_\_ **Relationship:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please provide a reference for a coach/mentor/employer/etc.:**

**Reference 2:** (name) \_\_\_\_\_ **Relationship:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Essay Questions

**1. What three words best describe you? Briefly explain.**

**2. What motivated you to apply for this course? (200 words max.)**

**3. Why are you particularly interested in this course? What do you hope to learn? Mention one thing you have accomplished that is related to the theme of this course. (300 words max.)**

**4. Tell us about yourself, your strengths, weaknesses, hobbies, etc. What do you think you can give/teach/bring to this short course? (300 words max.)**

## Financial Aid

This form should be completed by applicants in need of financial aid to participate in the Huaka`i Hawai`i short course.

**If you require a scholarship**, give us your best estimate of how much of the program tuition you might be able to pay. *Please note financial assistance is very limited. Please calculate your real need bearing in mind that distributing available aid amongst several participants will allow for more diversity and a more meaningful course experience for all.*

**Estimate of personal financial contribution:** \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Limited financial aid is available for course fees and does not cover visa applications or travel costs, or pocket money.

List **total yearly income of household** received from salaries, wages, alimony, child support, social security, disability, public assistance, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of people supported by this income:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please explain any unusual family expenses:**

## Proof of Income

Attach or email proof of income (pay statements) from parents/guardians 1 and 2.

*Please upload original documents in home language. They may be translated by a non-certified person to expedite the process.*

We declare that the information on this form is true, correct and completed.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_