Our Credentials

- Kaua‘i Community College is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, 10 Commercial Blvd., Ste 204, Novato CA 94949, (415) 506-0234, an institutional accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the U.S. Department of Education. Additional information about accreditation, including the filing of complaints against member institutions, can be found at: www.accjc.org.
- The Kaua‘i Community College Nursing Program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission of Education in Nursing (ACEN). This commission may be reached by mail (Accreditation Commission of Education in Nursing, 3343 Peachtree Rd NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, GA 30326), internet (https://www.acenursing.org/) or telephone (404-975-5000). The last accreditation self study can be viewed by contacting the nursing program director.
- The Kaua‘i Community College Culinary Arts Program is accredited by the American Culinary Federation Education Foundation Accrediting Commission. This commission may be reached by mail (Accreditation Commission of Education in Nursing, 3343 Peachtree Rd NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, GA 30326), internet (https://www.acenursing.org/) or telephone (404-975-5000). The last accreditation self study can be viewed by contacting the culinary program director.
- The Kaua‘i Community College Automotive Technology Program is accredited by the National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation (NATEF). This commission may be reached by mail (NATEF, 101 Blue Seal Drive, S.E., Suite 101, Leesburg, VA, 20175) or telephone (703-669-6650). The last accreditation self study can be viewed by contacting the automotive technology program director.
- The Kaua‘i Community College Medical Assisting Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs upon the recommendation of Medical Assisting Education Review Board (MAERB). The Commission may be reached by mail (Commission Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, 25400 US Highway 19 North, Suite 158, Clearwater, FL 33763), telephone (727-210-2350), or online (https://www.caahep.org/). The last accreditation self study can be viewed by contacting the medical assisting program director.
- Kaua‘i Community College is an approved educational institution for education and training under the Veteran’s Educational Assistance Act (G.I. Bill), the Veterans’ Readjustment Act, and the Dependents’ Educational Act.
- This catalog provides general information about Kaua‘i Community College, its programs and services, and summarizes major policies and procedures of relevance to the student. This catalog was prepared to provide information and does not constitute a contract. The College reserves the right to, without prior notice, change or delete, supplement or otherwise amend at anytime the information, requirements, and policies contained in this catalog or other documents. The most current version of the catalog may be found on the College’s website.
- The University of Hawai‘i is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution.

Several symbols reflecting College and community values have been associated with Kaua‘i Community College. In keeping with being your University on Kaua‘i, the College’s official seal is now the same seal used by all the UH campuses.

The College logo, created by Graphic Artist Suesue Okada in 1988, and the 1980 Bumpei Akaji sculpture at the entrance of the campus both place high value on Kaua‘i’s natural environment. The logo is symbolic of Kaua‘i: “The sun, the winds, the mountain, the ocean — all are important aspects of Kaua‘i. This island world colors our being, affects what we become. In the same way, the College fosters our pursuit of knowledge, awareness, and growth, helping us attain serenity and completeness.” The sculpture is associated with the KCC Foundation: “Nani Kaua‘i: Ke mau nei ke ea o Kaua‘i i Puhi ‘aina malu” (Beautiful Kaua‘i: The spirit of Kaua‘i thrives in the peaceful land of Puhi). The KCC Alumni Association uses as its symbol the kukui or candlenut tree whose nut was used by ancient Hawaiians as a candle; thus kukui means light and the tree symbolizes enlightenment and education.

The taro leaf is the logo for Ho’ouluwehi, The Sustainable Living Institute on Kaua‘i. Sustainability is defined as fostering the long-term maintenance of well-being, while respecting the balance of environmental, economic, social, and cultural aspects of any one endeavor. In respecting the College’s ambition, Ho’ouluwehi narrowed down its scope and focus to four areas: 1) food production, 2) renewable energy, 3) affordable housing/sustainable living, and 4) waste elimination. To determine which courses should be awarded the taro leaf logo, five topic areas were used: 1) Economics, 2) Social, cultural, historic, 3) Science and technology, 4) Environmental, and 5) Written, oral, and artistic.