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The University of Hawai'i's Student Scholarship and Assistance  
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**Academic Year Expenditures**

Pursuant to Act 161 (1995), Act 237 (1996), and HRS sections 304A-501 and 304A-502 which authorizes the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i to grant, modify and suspend previous legislatively mandated tuition waivers as well as to establish new ones, this report summarizes these expenditures for the 2022-2023 academic year.

As part of its commitment to returning tuition revenue collected for financial assistance to students, the University awarded system-wide scholarships totaling \$62,159,760 to 18,335 students in 2022-2023. More specifically, these Board-approved tuition revenue scholarships were awarded to students with financial need (10,892 students) as well as for merit purposes including high academic scholarship (5,985 students), Regents and Presidential Scholars (92 students), highly qualified international students (406 students), athletes (561 students), qualified students from certain Pacific Island jurisdictions (159 students), and other special talent individuals (240 students).

In 2022-2023, an additional \$99,579,086 in Board-approved non-resident tuition differentials were waived for 8,956 non-resident students. A total of \$34,525,036 was waived for 3,844 non-resident students who were assessed tuition equivalent to the resident rate in the following categories: East-West Center student grantees pursuing baccalaureate or advanced degrees (77 students); employees of the University, their spouses, and their dependents (46 students); members of the Hawai'i National Guard and the Hawai'i Reserves (54 students); United States military personnel stationed in Hawai'i on active duty, and their authorized dependents during the period that the personnel are stationed in Hawai'i (1,075 students); Native Hawaiians whose domicile is outside of Hawai'i (496 students); individuals with special talents and/or unique skills (256 students); student exchange (323 students); and veterans and individuals eligible to use GI Bill or Montgomery GI Bill Active Duty educational benefits (1,517 students). A total of \$65,054,050 was waived for 5,112 non-resident students who were assessed at 150% of the resident rate in the following categories: institutional agreements with the Pacific Islands (316 students); student exchange (351 students); Western Graduate Exchange (WGE) (318 students); and Western Undergraduate Exchange

(WUE) (4,127 students). Tuition revenues from these non-resident students was \$91,786,284.

Also, in 2022-2023, Board-approved tuition exemptions for 2,862 students totaling \$27,802,660 were awarded. These students received full or partial exemption of tuition charges in the following categories: Native Hawaiian students (618 headcount that represents 250 full-time equivalent), University employees (522 students) and their spouses/domestic partners (119 students), and graduate assistants (1,603 students). Note that some non-resident employees and/or their spouses may receive financial aid in both the tuition differential and the tuition exemption categories.