

## **College of Social Sciences joins the prestigious Killam Fellowships Program**

The College of Social Sciences at UH Mānoa continues to expand its Global College initiative. Now part of Fulbright Canada's Killam Fellowships Program, the college is only the 14th U.S. university, and the first in Hawai'i, to join this program.

Created to enhance mutual understanding between the people of Canada and the United States, the Killam Fellowships Program provides an opportunity for undergraduate students from participating universities to spend a semester or a full academic year as an exchange student in the host country.

“The fellowship is a unique undergraduate experience that offers our students, as well as Canadian students, the opportunity to gather together and discuss issues of strategic, global importance, while also learning about themselves and connecting with others,” said Denise Eby Konan, Dean of the College of Social Sciences at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa.

Selected students will receive \$5,000 per semester to study at one of the 18 partner universities in Canada. They will also receive two all-expense paid trips: one to Ottawa, Canada in the fall for orientation; and one to Washington, D.C., for a spring seminar.

Fulbright Canada saw many reasons to establish this collaboration with the College of Social Sciences.

“Part is the leadership of the Dean and her understanding of where the college is going and the idea of a global college and a global community--providing opportunities for students here, but also welcoming people to Hawaii and making sure people understand the rich and vibrant intellectual environment here, but also the culture of Hawai'i,” said Michael K. Hawes, executive director of Fulbright Canada.

Fulbright Canada and the College of Social Sciences first embarked on a partnership three years ago with the establishment of a Fulbright Canada Visiting Research Chair and a colloquium series. Today, this collaboration continues to explore new academic opportunities to build upon a shared vision of a global community.

The application period begins September 2017 for the 2018-19 academic year. For more information about the program, contact Dawn Nishida at (808) 956-0658 in the College of Social Sciences' ACCESS unit.