

RESOURCES FOR HAWAII STUDENTS AFFECTED BY ARGOSY UNIVERSITY CLOSURE



Background Information:

On Wednesday, March 6, 2019, Argosy University announced its possible closure. The announcement came after the U.S. Department of Education (USDOE) and the WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC), Argosy's accreditor, took action against the institution. Current students and students who recently attended Argosy University, Hawaii are encouraged to attend transfer fairs to learn more about their options to continue their education elsewhere.

Transfer Fairs for Argosy University, Hawaii Students:

Thursday, March 7, 2019	Thursday, March 7, 2019
Argosy Hawaii (Honolulu Campus)	Argosy Hawaii (Honolulu Campus)
1001 Bishop Street, Suite 400	1001 Bishop Street, Suite 400
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Relief options are available, and students should be aware of the following resources.

Hawaii Post-secondary Education Authorization Program (Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs):

The Hawaii Post-secondary Education Authorization Program (HPEAP) has been working with Argosy University, Hawaii students, and continues to post regular updates on its website, including information about transfers, transcripts, and loan stipends, at <http://cca.hawaii.gov/hpeap/main/argosy-university-status-information/>.

Students with questions about transfer information for the University of Hawaii System, Chaminade University, and Hawaii Pacific University can also email hpeap@dcca.hawaii.gov.

Students with questions about transcripts can email transcripts@aui.edu or call 888-863-0324.

U.S. Department of Education (USDOE):

The U.S. Department of Education (USDOE) has updated its Federal Student Aid website (<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/>) with more information related to Argosy University at <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/about/announcements/dream-center>. Students who are owed credit balance refunds should contact USDOE online at <https://studentaid.gov/feedback> or at 844-651-0077. Relief options for students may include transferring credits earned at Argosy to other institutions with a comparable program, or completing teach-outs at other institutions. Students are encouraged to use USDOE's College Scorecard at collegescorecard.ed.gov to research their options and select schools that meet their educational needs.

Should Argosy close, USDOE will assist students by posting information at <https://studentaid.gov/closures>, including a closed school fact sheet, a schedule of webinars, and information to contact state agencies. USDOE will also email students to make them aware of the resources and information available to them, as well as their options to continue their education or apply for a closed school loan discharge.

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA):

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has informed HPEAP that student veterans should continue to receive their housing stipends for as long as Argosy University is open and holding classes, and students are attending classes. However, should the school close, student veterans should contact the GI Bill Hotline at 888-442-4551.

Students with further questions should feel free to contact my office at hawaiioffice@hirono.senate.gov or at 808-522-8970 (toll free 844-478-3478).