PONO LEARNING COMMUNITY (PLC)
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PARTICIPANT EXPECTATIONS
- Supervisor endorsement for employees
- 8 total meetings per cohort (September – December, January – April)
  - 4 total meetings for Advanced Pono* (Calendar on Pg. 2)
- 75% attendance required for year
- Attendance at concluding celebration ceremony (May 16, 2014)

SUPERVISOR ENDORSEMENT
☐ I endorse this applicant for participation in the 2013 – 2014 Pono Learning Community.
☐ The applicant and I understand that participation in the 2013 – 2014 Pono Learning Community will require their exclusive attention free of institutional and job commitments for a minimum of 75% of the meeting dates listed above (6 of 8 in Beginner Pono OR 3 of 4 in Advanced Pono).

Supervisor’s Name (please print):

Supervisor’s Signature:

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2013 – 2014 COHORT SCHEDULE
DIVERSITY MODULES
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COHORT III-A
From September 20, 2013 to December 13, 2013

TOPICS
- Orientation
- Race and Ethnicity
- Sexual Orientation
- Religion and Faith
- Class and Economic Disadvantage
- Mental and Physical Health
- Global Culture and Perspectives
- Book Session

COHORT III-B
From January 17, 2014 to May 2, 2014

TOPICS
- Power, Control and Bullying
- Age and Generation
- Body Image
- Veterans

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2013 – 2014 ADVANCED COHORT SCHEDULE
DIVERSITY MODULES
All sessions are on Friday afternoons and 2.5 hours in duration. Sessions will take place in WD 402 unless otherwise noted.

From March 28, 2014 to May 9, 2014

TOPICS
- Power, Control and Bullying
- Age and Generation
- Body Image
- Veterans

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HOST DEPARTMENT
Global Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (Formerly Diversity and Study Abroad Programs)

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2013 – 2014 PONO CALENDAR

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