Flexible instructional delivery modes played an integral role in expanding Molokai offerings with self-paced, cable, and SkyBridge classes. And implementation of HITS in 1991 gave access to advanced degrees from other UH institutions. In addition, many Molokai-based lecturers are hired as onsite instructors for programs including Human Services, Business Technology, Business Careers, Agriculture, Nurse Aide, and Liberal Arts. Students follow published sequences leading to certificates and degrees and take part in cyclic commencements on Molokai attended by families and friends.

The dream of a permanent facility became a reality in August 1999 with the opening of the Molokai Education Center, which remains the focal point of higher education on Molokai today. The facility houses a general purpose classroom, three interactive television studios, a computer lab, a library, a seminar room, and offices.

**Lana'i Education Center**
On the island of Lana'i, the first credit courses were offered in 1980 in Accounting and Hawaiian language. The first onsite commencement was held in 1987 with a cadre of 13 graduates earning a Certificate of Achievement in Hotel Operations entirely on Lana'i.

The College leases an older building in Lana'i City for the Education Center. The facility houses two distance learning classrooms, an individualized television viewing station, a computer lab, and offices. The Lana'i program offers classes each term by distance and an occasional Lana'i or Kauhului-based instructor. Courses lead to certificates and degrees, and distance delivery expands offerings to the baccalaureate and master level.

**Hana Education Center**
The Hana Education Center has been making higher education possible for the residents of the remote East Maui community since 1987. It is conveniently located in the Hana Community Center, in the heart of town. Classes are produced via the University of Hawai'i HITS (two-way closed circuit TV) system, cable television, the internet and “live” onsite. By utilizing the technologically advanced HITS system, students are able to participate in courses taught throughout the UH system, including those leading to advanced degrees.

The student base is comprised of degree seekers and lifelong learners as well as high school students. It is not unusual to have several generations of one family enrolled in various classes in a given semester.

**Kihei MRTC Outreach Site**
The Kihei site, located at the Maui Research & Technology Center (MRTC), is managed by the University of Hawai'i system. The facility is primarily a receive site for distance delivered baccalaureate and graduate courses and programs from the UH campuses at Mānoa, Hilo, and West Oahu. Onsite credit and non-credit classes are also accommodated.

**Lahaina Education Center**
The newest of the College’s outreach sites, the Lahaina Education Center, manages all aspects of the college experience for the residents of West Maui. Students attend “live” credit classes with local instructors, or attend via the closed circuit TV system known as HITS. Additionally, students and community members utilize the Center for placement testing, applying for financial aid online, exam proctoring, or arranging a meeting with an academic advisor in person or via video conferencing. Continuing Education classes are available, as well as meetings and seminars for college bound residents. Located on Kenui Street between Front Street and Honoapiilani Hwy, the Lahaina Education Center is quickly becoming an integral part of the West Maui community.

**Office of Continuing Education and Training - VITEC**
The Office of Continuing Education & Training (OCET) serves the workforce, educational, and cultural needs of the people of Maui County through noncredit classes as well as customized training, apprenticeship, and English as a Second Language programs. Classes are offered at the Kahului campus and at various other sites around Maui County. For information, call 808 984-3231, or visit the website: www.ocet.org

**Small Business Development Center Network - SBDCN**
The Hawaii Small Business Development Center Network coordinates two centers:

**SBDC**
The Maui office of the Hawaii SBDC provides counseling, training, and other resources to small businesses. Funded by the US Small Business Administration and the State of Hawai‘i, the SBDC provides confidential one-on-one counseling by qualified business professionals, as well as in-class workshops, networking events and online training. There are no fees for consulting services.

For information, call 875-5990, or visit the website: www.hawaii-sbdc.org

**HBRL**
The Hawai‘i Business Research Library (HBRL) is a specialty center of the Hawai‘i SBDC Network that provides statewide research services to businesses, entrepreneurs, and students. A wide variety of customized business research is available, including industry trends, market analysis, and demographics. All of these services, plus quick answers and business start-up questions are provided free of charge. The HBRL also publishes the “Maui County Data Book” and “Starting a Business in Maui County,” a guide to new entrepreneurs.

Users must call 875-5990 in advance for an appointment, or email library@hawaii-sbdc.org

**UH Maui College Development Office**
UH Maui College seeks private gifts to sustain and advance the College. Gifts assist students with scholarship aid, provide critically needed funds for specific programs including instructional resources and faculty/staff development, and provide the flexibility to plan and build for the future. Private gifts to the College are made through the University of Hawai‘i Foundation which, through its Maui office, supports the College’s fundraising efforts.

For information, call the UH Foundation Office at UH Maui College, at 984-3261.