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DEAN’S MESSAGE

This has been an exciting semester for the college. On Sept. 1, the Shidler College of Business and the School of Travel Industry Management (TIM) joined forces. This significant partnership is creating new opportunities for our students. We are developing new resources to strengthen the school and expand relationships with the tourism industry in Hawai‘i and worldwide.

In the cover story, we share the remarkable legacy of the TIM School’s 57-year history and its vision to pave a new era of hospitality management and business education at the University of Hawai‘i.

Other interesting stories include the Shidler Global Leadership Summit in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, this past summer; the newest class of Hall of Honor awardees; highlights of the Pacific Asian Center for Entrepreneurship (PACE); and updates on alumni and fundraising activities.

As we welcome our new Shidler Business editor Dani Douglass, you will also notice an updated design with new features. This will allow us to share exciting news about the achievements of our students, faculty and our amazing alumni all over the world.

I sincerely believe that our success is measured by the lives we touch through our programs and engagements.

Thank you again for your support, involvement and encouragement. As always, stay in touch—we value your feedback.

Sincerely,

V. Vance Roley
Dean and First Hawaiian Bank Chair of Leadership and Management

EDITOR’S MESSAGE

I am excited to serve as the new editor of Shidler Business. Print is my favorite form of communication and there is something about flipping freshly printed pages. Now that I work at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, I am often brought back to fond memories as a journalism student sitting in class at Crawford Hall. Sometimes life does come full circle.

Beyond the sensory satisfaction, this publication tells authentic stories. These are your stories. They convey hard work, commitment and success. I hope you enjoy reading about your classmates and colleagues. I encourage you to send in your own news as well so we can continue to share a variety of content.

From this point forward, you will notice some new icons and stylistic changes. With the recent rejoining of the TIM School with Shidler, the bachelor of science (BS) designation with alumni names will be commonplace. We have also introduced a new icon (🔗) to let readers know they can find more online, as well as some new columns in an effort to keep content fresh.

I am proud to be here at Shidler, where high standards and collegiately are emulated. I look forward to telling your stories.

Dani Douglass
Director of Alumni and Development Communications
Shidler College of Business Advisory Council


ON THE COVER
TIM students at annual Business Professional Day in September.

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After 27 years as a separate school, UH’s School of Travel Industry Management rejoins Shidler College

The School of Travel Industry Management (TIM) is once again part of the Shidler College of Business. The announcement became official on Sept. 1, 2019 when the TIM School – established in 1963 as the Department of Hotel Management and Tourism in what was then called the College of Business Administration (CBA) – reunited with Shidler College.

The TIM School was considered one of the top three programs in the world at its peak. It pioneered the concept of integrating multiple aspects of the industry into a single discipline, built on a management science foundation. “We believe offering the best of the Shidler College and the TIM School will prepare students for successful careers after graduation,” said Vance Roley, dean of Shidler College. “Also, this will provide our state with a qualified workforce that will help ensure the current and future success of Hawaii’s tourism industry.”

Under the leadership of Dean Chuck Gee, who was the longest-serving dean of the TIM School from 1976-99, thousands of alumni earned degrees and went on to hold professional positions across the globe in the tourism and hospitality industry. Gee worked to establish the TIM School as a major player on the global marketplace by attracting international students and extending education outreach. During his tenure, the TIM School separated from the CBA in 1992 after receiving autonomous status from the UH Mānoa Board of Regents in 1991.

After Gee stepped down as dean after 23 years of service, the TIM School has been under the leadership of one other dean, Walter Jamieson, who led the school from 2003-08 and several interim deans. Recombining forces with Shidler College will strengthen leadership, provide a multitude of resources and promote academic program growth.

The TIM School offers its students more than $200,000 in scholarships and grants for incoming and continuing students. In addition, the school received a $1.55 million gift from Jay Shidler, an alumnus of Shidler College and its largest donor. His gift will support TIM tenured and tenure-track faculty with two years of summer research support and will offer matching funds for six new faculty endowments.

Two other gifts from alumni in the Asia-Pacific region have also been secured for the TIM School. They include a $500,000 distinguished professorship for the new director/associate dean and a $250,000 fellowship.

“Over the years, the TIM School faculty has done excellent work in research and new funding will elevate the visibility of that research, while helping the university better prepare our TIM students for the best opportunities in the tourism industry,” Roley said.

The TIM School’s student body is comprised of 340 students. Approximately 71% are from Hawai’i while 12% hail from the mainland and 17% are international students. The school’s current accreditation is with the Accreditation Commission for Programs in Hospitality Administration and runs through 2022. The TIM School offers its students a Bachelor of Science (BS), a combined BS-MS option, a Distance Learning Executive MBA - Travel Industry Management Track, a Master of Science (MS); and a certificate in
The combination of the TIM School with Shidler College marks a new chapter in its history. What it means for both schools is an exciting era of new collaboration, growth and excellence. The partnership presents an opportunity to recruit and retain the best faculty, to renew relationships with Hawaii’s tourism industry and engage alumni worldwide by providing meaningful programs as they progress and grow in their careers.

Through the school’s 57-year history, its degrees, programs and name may have changed but what remains consistent is its commitment to providing a robust, high-quality education to the next generation of professionals preparing to enter one of the largest sectors in the world.

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Nearly 250 alumni, friends, college faculty and staff, and new Vietnam Executive MBA (VEMBA) graduates converged in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam on July 11-13, 2019 for the Shidler College of Business’ Global Leadership Summit. The event drew world-class Shidler faculty, speakers from multiple countries and distinguished global alumni together, including Trà My Nguyễn, MBA ’07; Anthony Wong, BBA ’83; Russell Hata, BBA ’78, MBA ’02; Wee Loke Tang, BBA ’73; and Paul Tse, BBA ’76, MBA ’78, to name a few.

Ho Chi Minh City has been described as the vibrant economic center of the rising dragon that FORBES estimates as less than 10 years behind China. At the summit, attendees enjoyed three days of networking, activities, company and cultural tours, talks and round table discussions by industry experts and leaders.

Shidler College Distinguished Professor Stephen Vargo provided the first keynote speech to kick-off the event. Vargo presented on “Service-Dominant (S-D) Logic: Perspective & Opportunities for Global Competition.” Vargo, a co-creator of the concept with Robert Lusch, spoke to the crowd about S-D logic and how it embraces the use-value of goods and the co-creation of value, rather than value distribution.

Angela Y. Lee, BBA ’81, Mechthild Esser Nemmers Professor of Marketing, Kellogg, Northwestern University, provided the second keynote speech, “Looking into the Future: Culture and Decision Making,” in which she gave the audience an intriguing overview of the importance of cultural values in marketing strategies in consumer decision making.

Finally, Tùng Bui, summit chair, VEMBA faculty director and Matson Navigation Company Endowed Chair in Global Business, provided closing remarks, thanking sponsors, speakers, attendees and international guests for their time. The event was graciously sponsored by the Shidler Alumni Association, The Pan Group, Alpha King, Sunny World Investment & Development Corp., TMG, MB and Stavian Group; and was organized by VEMBA alumni.

The experience was one that will not soon be forgotten for attendees and its strong attendance and interest has opened the way for future Shidler College international summits to take place on the world’s stage.

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MEET THE FABULOUS FIVE

From left: Micah Kāne, Wendy Peterson, Lance Inouye, Wendy Tong Barnes and Russell Hata.

Amongst an impressive crowd of nearly 600 guests, the newest five members of the Shidler College of Business’ Hall of Honor were inducted on Oct. 10 at the Sheraton Waikiki. With the support of the Shidler Alumni Association, this year’s event generated $275,000 in funds, which goes toward student scholarships, student enrichment programs, alumni outreach and student activities.

The 2019 inductees are Russell J. Hata, BBA ’78, EMBA ’02, chairman, president, and CEO, Y. Hata & Co., Limited; Lance M. Inouye, EMBA ’05, president and CEO, Ralph S. Inouye Co. Ltd.; Micah A. Kāne, MBA ’95, CEO and president, Hawai’i Community Foundation; Wendy Peterson, BBA ’82, JD ’85, general counsel, Knobbe Martens; and Wendy Tong Barnes, BBA ’81, chief corporate affairs officer, CK Asset Holdings Limited, CK Infrastructure Holdings Limited and CK Life Sciences International, Inc.; and deputy CEO, Hui Xian Asset Management Limited.

The new inductees join more than 100 outstanding business professionals who were recognized since the event began in 1992. Each individual represents stellar leadership qualities and acumen and has made significant contributions to their profession, community and alma mater.

A big mahalo to Y. Hata & Co., Limited for serving as the presenting sponsor along with contributing sponsors Hawai’i Community Foundation, Ralph S. Inouye Co. Ltd., and media sponsor Pacific Business News.

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Kumu Ed Collier opens Hall of Honor with a traditional Hawaiian ‘oli.
Celebrating the class of 2019

Blustery winds and passing showers did not stop more than 200 attendees from celebrating the newest Shidler graduates at the Shidler Fall Commencement Reception on Dec. 20. Attendees huddled together under a large tent in the college’s courtyard to keep dry and hear congratulatory remarks from Dean Vance Roley and class speeches from undergraduate student Ha Nguyen, BBA ’19, and graduate student Jim Tyler, MHRM ’19. During the celebration, guests enjoyed music, delicious food and networking. Shidler College faculty joined in the celebration with well-wishes to students as they begin their post-college journeys. More than 20 members (and their families) of the graduating MBA for Executives in Vietnam cohort made the trip to O‘ahu to participate in commencement activities.
A candid discussion on climate change

The 2019 Dr. N.H. Paul Chung Memorial Lecture and Luncheon was held on Aug. 27 at the Prince Waikiki Hotel and featured keynote speaker Admiral Paul Zukunft, U.S. Coast Guard (retired).

Zukunft’s lecture focused on climate change and its effect on U.S. national security and world order. He explained that the U.S. will need to invest in its infrastructure by upgrading power generation, transportation and security. He said that Hawai‘i’s coastal management and renewable energy leaders can play a key role in addressing challenges in the changing geopolitical landscape.

This annual event honors N.H. Paul Chung, Ph.D., the founder of the Pacific Asian Management Institute (PAMI) and an economics professor at Shidler College. The lecture is made possible by the generosity of Kay Chung, who established the Dr. N.H. Paul Chung Memorial Lecture Fund.

Forging international relationships

More than 60 people gathered at the college on Sept. 16 to commemorate the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signing between the University of Hawai‘i (UH) and Vietnam’s Ministry of Foreign Affairs in charge of provinces (MOFA). UH has agreed to provide training in business, tourism, agriculture, English and sustainable development, including reusable energy for the provinces of Dak Lak, Ha Giang and Ha Tinh.

H.E. Nguyen Trac Toan, consul general of Vietnam in San Francisco, stressed the pivotal role of education in developing human resources. David Lassner, UH president, acknowledged the signing of this agreement as another key milestone in the long-established and successful bilateral cooperation between UH and Vietnam, including a water resource management project and the successful Executive MBA program with Shidler College.

Moving on up

The U.S. News & World Report released its “America’s Best Colleges” for 2020, ranking the college 15th on its list of top international business programs. Additional colleges making the list included New York University, Georgetown University, UC Berkeley, University of Southern California, University of Michigan and University of Washington.

“We are extremely pleased to move up from 18th to 15th in the U.S. News ranking of international business programs,” says Dean Vance Roley. “Over the years, we have increased resources and study abroad opportunities to give students real-work experiences. We believe this is the best way to prepare students for leadership positions in the global economy.”

U.S. News also ranked the college 112 out of 504 business programs accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB).
Shidler Day kicks off another school year

The college welcomed new and returning Shidler and pre-business students to the 2019-20 school year during its annual Shidler Day event.

The courtyard was bustling with activity as volunteers worked to set up tents, tables, merchandise and food and beverage stations. Student clubs also set up tents to share information with students. Courtyard passersby were greeted with popcorn, pizza, chips, drinks, the opportunity to purchase Shidler merchandise and receive information on how to stay connected post-graduation with the Shidler Alumni Association.

This year’s food and beverages were donated by generous sponsors. Booz Allen Hamilton’s Hawai‘i office donated pizza, Meadow Gold Dairies Hawaii provided drinks and Hawaiian Chip Company donated chips.

Celebrating 14 years of scholarship support

More than 350 donors and students gathered at the Hilton Hawaiian Village and Resort on Nov. 4 for the annual Scholarship Luncheon. This special event brings students and donors together to meet each other face to face. Donors enjoyed visiting with their student recipients and learning about the impact of their gift. Students were eager to share their educational journeys and thank donors for their gracious support. The college awarded 384 scholarships totaling $1.2 million to students for the 2019-20 academic year, due to the generosity of individuals, corporations and organizations.

The college extends a sincere mahalo to Enterprise Rent-A-Car for serving as event sponsor for the sixth consecutive year and to Hawaii Business Magazine for being the media sponsor for the fourth year. Steven Ai, president and CEO of City Mill Family of Companies, served as keynote speaker. Since 2004, the City Mill Company,

Scholarship donor Mike Washofsky and scholarship recipient Kylie Arrell meet for the first time over lunch.

LTD./ C.K. Ai Foundation Scholarship Fund has awarded more than $44,000 in scholarships to 27 students. In May 2019, City Mill elevated its long-standing annual scholarship to an endowment.
New graduate programs starting fall 2020

We are excited to announce three new Master of Science programs and a new Distance Learning Executive MBA track in travel industry management.

Be part of the first cohort, starting in the fall semester.
- Master of Science in Finance
- Master of Science in Information Systems
- Master of Science in Marketing Management
- Distance Learning Executive MBA - Travel Industry Management Track

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SHIDLER ON SOCIAL

Check out these posts from accounts that tagged @shidlercollege on Instagram! Be sure to tag the college in your social media posts for a chance to appear in the next issue. Mahalo for the support @drlorettachen, @nmhawaii, @firstinshi, @uhmtimschool and @servcotoyotahonolulu.

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  Barnes & Noble
  An engaging evening with yet more amazing women - Dynamo Author Lois Ann Yamanaka, Professor Shirley Daniel, Physician and Exec Director of @mandrightkid and Representative Lauren Matsumoto 😊 The Friday traffic didn't deter some determined readers and the panelists certainly gave their all and were candid, authentic, charming and inspiring. @authorsofinstagram #bookistagram #powerwomen #inspiringleaders #strongertogether #inspiringconversations #thatmatter #creativespaceacommunicate #we need to do this again 😊❤️❤️❤️

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  Northwestern Mutual
  Today we had the pleasure of meeting, Megan Mena, our Northwestern Mutual Hawaii Endowed Scholarship for Excellence recipient! We are proud to support young business students so that they will find success in this industry! ...
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- firstinshi
  University of Hawaii at Manoa
  Last week, Terri S. of our HR department put on a workshop for the members of the International Business Organization (IBO) Club at @shidlercollege, and shared some resume building and interview preparation suggestions. Our current University of Hawaii intern, Deran Y., happens to be a member of @iboulu, so he had the chance to share about his PICOH experience. PICOH loves supporting the students of UH Shidler! #resumeworkshop #uhmanoa

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  International Market Place
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PACE announced the winners of the 2019 UH Breakthrough Innovation Challenge, which was sponsored by Accuity LLP, on November 20 at The Pacific Club.

First place and $2,000 went to computer science student Ty Uehara, who designed a technologically advanced riding helmet. The idea for the helmet, called ConTekt, was inspired by a friend’s near-death motorcycle accident and puts fallen riders in touch with emergency services immediately without having to move. Other finalists’ ideas included waste sorting software for recycling, a cooling vest that uses liquid metal and eco-conscious clothing made from hemp.

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PACE launched a monthly mixer called co-Finder that helps spark business partnerships between students from various fields of study. Attendees have the chance to find their perfect business match at these events, which are free, casual in format and open to all students and faculty from across the UH System. The mixers happen in PACE’s co-working facility called sPACE at the Shidler College.

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The 2019 Summer Startup Launchpad graduated 10 teams from diverse disciplines on June 20, 2019. Business mentors advised the teams throughout an intense six-week program using the lean startup process. The teams were challenged to interview at least 100 customers to gain meaningful insights into their ideas for a product or service. Many teams tweaked their ideas and solutions based on data collected during the interviews. Each team received $4,000 in seed capital to kickstart their businesses. This program is made possible by generous donations from the Mamoru and Aiko Takitani Foundation and the UH Office of the Vice President for Research and Innovation.

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PACE welcomed Ben Trevino, MBA ’13, as the newest Professional-in-Residence (PIR). Trevino is an experienced entrepreneur and technologist who currently serves as a sustainability planner for the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation. PIR connects UH students and faculty with local business professionals and provides pro bono business counseling.

As part of the PIR program, PACE was able to once again host its UH Small Business and Entrepreneurship Law Clinic. Law students conduct these sessions for those seeking legal business advice.

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MBA students Christopher Branyord, Philipp Steinmueller and Andrew Petty were selected for the Freeman Foundation Asian Fellowship Program and spent four weeks in Tokyo last summer during a unique entrepreneurial experience. The group prepared marketing and strategy plans for the overseas expansion of a Japan-based startup that teaches coding using programmable robots.

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Participants kick off the program with a creative paper plane activity.

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1 | PROFESSIONALLY PRIMED
The School of Travel Industry Management (TIM) held its annual Business Professional Day, organized by the school’s honor society, Eta Sigma Delta, on Sept. 27. Students learned about networking and business etiquette from business professionals. Business cards, headshots, mock interviews and resume review were some of the activities students participated in to spruce up their skills. A big mahalo to Sonia Ibrahimkhail and Michelle Pham of Kumabe HR, Rea Kang and Kehaulani Kam of Marriott Waikiki, Laura Witter of Hyatt Regency Waikiki, Kristie Lo of Koa Pancake House and Thomas Tsutsumoto of UH Mānoa Career Center for giving their time to help students with their career preparation.

2 | SHIDLER TAKES TOP HONORS
The Shidler College team—comprised of Antoni Catalan, Ji Won Kwak, Rachel Yasunaga, and Hannah Domingo—outperformed 15 teams to take first place at the 10th annual Consortium of Undergraduate International Business Education’s (CUIBE) International Business Case Competition held on Oct. 31-Nov. 2 at Northeastern University in Boston. The team, which was lead by Marketing Instructor Constancio Paranal, presented a comprehensive analysis of Phenicoptere, a Polish cosmetics start-up company. The executive judges praised their robust marketing and financial analyses and professional presentation skills.

3 | EMBA RESIDENCE WEEKEND
The 30 professionals making up Cohort 22 of the Executive MBA (EMBA) program attended the 2019 Residence Weekend on Aug. 22-26 at the Kahala Hotel & Resort. The five-day event was jam packed with day and evening classes and a networking event with EMBA alumni. Residence Weekend is geared to enhance class cohesion and prepare students for their initial coursework prior to the start of their program.

4 | MENTORSHIP MATCH
Four students from the TiM School have been accepted into the 2019-20 Hawai‘i Lodging and Tourism Association’s Generational Mentorship Program. The selected students are Kaipo Lem,
Romel Gaspar, Tara-Ann Pacubas and Given Yagi. This program allows a group of elite hospitality students in Hawai‘i to be paired with top hospitality leaders in the state. Thomas Foti of Waikiki Beach Marriott, Kansas Henderson of Mauna Kea Beach Hotel, Ed Gunderson of the Grand Naniloa Hotel, and Douglas Chang of the Ritz-Carlton Residences will be mentoring the students respectively. Topics will be relevant to leadership, emotional intelligence and personal branding.

5 | MARKET SNEAK PEEK
On Oct. 15, more than 60 companies from across the state converged onto Shidler to equip students with information and first-hand accounts of what it would be like to work at their company. There was something for all attendees as the companies represented various industries, including banking, education, travel and tourism, financial, retail, insurance and more. The Office of Internships and Career Development offers the Career and Internship Expo every semester. Students come dressed in business attire and with resumes to share with potential employers. The next expo will be in February 2020.

6 | VIETNAM GRADUATION
Members of Ho Chi Minh City (HCMC) Cohort 11 and Hanoi (HAN) Cohort 12 graduated on July 13, 2019 from the MBA for Executives in Vietnam (VEMBA) program. In total, 37 new VEMBA graduates joined an alumni network of more than 600. The latest commencement celebration was unique because it was the first one that combined both the HCMC and HAN cohorts, which coincided with the Shidler Global Leadership Summit. There were alumni from Singapore, Hong Kong, and Hawai‘i who participated in the ceremony, as well as graduates from previous VEMBA cohorts.
How do you balance it all?
“Time management is a huge thing. Going to ‘Iolani School taught me a lot about time management, and also when I was at the University of Utah.”

What drew you to pursue a master’s in accounting?
“I got my undergraduate degree in finance from Utah and so when I had the opportunity to come home to play, I wanted to go into a master’s program that was still tied to finance and I thought accounting would be great because it will be useful in any job that I pursue later on.”

What is the best part about volleyball? Are there any ways it makes you a better student?
“The best part about volleyball is being with other athletes and being surrounded by people who love the game so much. Volleyball forces you to be proactive in school and process information quickly and communicate with teachers or other students that you work with.”

What are you thinking you’d like to do after graduation?
“I would like to go into real estate development.”

What are five things you can’t live without?
“Volleyball, shopping, tropical weather, my family and food.”

What is your favorite meal after a practice or a game?
“I love poke bowls! My favorite style is either spicy salmon or spicy ahi.”
How do you balance it all?
“I try to stay focused on school and football. My teammates and the people I meet in the business school keep my personal life exciting.”

What drew you to pursue a degree in finance?
“I have a dream of playing in the NFL and my mother always told me that I should learn to manage my money intelligently so I don’t become a player who blows all of his money.”

What is the best part about football? Are there any ways it makes you a better student?
“The love and bonds we have for each other. I know my teammates would do anything for me and I try and encourage them to pursue a business degree. Football is a great way to wake up the body in the morning for the day ahead.”

What are you thinking you’d like to do after graduation?
“I hope to train for the NFL and get drafted somewhere close to home.”

What are five things you can’t live without?
“Family, sports, sweets, friends and movie streaming websites.”

What is your favorite meal after a practice or a game?
“I like [Raising] Cane’s or Zippy’s bento boxes after games.”
New Staff

**Dani Douglass** has joined the college as the director of alumni and development communications and managing editor and senior writer of the Shidler Business magazine. She has more than a dozen years of communications and marketing experience in the private, government, health and education sectors. Before joining the college, Douglass was the marketing and communications manager for St. Andrew’s Schools. She earned her bachelor’s in journalism and her master’s in teaching from the University of Hawai’i at Mānoa.

**Irene Johnson** has joined the college’s Executive Education Center as an administrative and fiscal support specialist. She has nearly 10 years of experience coordinating conferences. Johnson is responsible for providing logistical support for non-degree programs and assisting with the administration of the MBA for Executives in Vietnam (VEMBA) program.

**Michelle Moku**, BS ’01, has joined the college as the program manager of the Family Business Center of Hawai’i. Previously, she served eight years as program manager of operations at Island Partners Hawai’i, where she executed up to 15 corporate and incentive programs throughout the state annually. Prior to that, she held various positions at the Hawai’i Visitors & Convention Bureau. Moku earned her bachelor’s in travel industry management from the University of Hawai’i at Mānoa.

**Kirstin Seal** has joined the college as the director of marketing. She has more than eight years of experience in a variety of marketing, public relations and event planning positions in Hawai’i. Prior to joining the college, Seal served as the project manager for Good Swell Marketing, and as an assistant account executive at TLC PR. She earned her bachelor’s in advertising from the University of Hawai’i at Mānoa and is currently pursuing her master’s in business administration at the college.

**Prasanna Karhade** has joined the college as an assistant professor of information technology management and a Shidler College Faculty Fellow. His research interests include IT strategy, governance and digital platforms. Karhade’s research has been published in the Information Systems Research and MIS Quarterly journals. Previously, he taught at the University of Hong Kong and the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology Business School. Karhade earned his doctorate in business administration from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, his master’s in computer science from Georgia State University and his bachelor’s in computer engineering from the University of Mumbai.

**You-il (Chris) Park** has joined the college as an assistant professor of accounting. His research focuses on the firm- and aggregate-level effects of accounting standards on financial reporting outcomes and the effects of securities regulation on stock price information. Before joining the college, Park worked as an internal auditor in the business controls and compliance division at Southern Company and Georgia Power Company. He also taught accounting at the Fuqua School of Business at Duke University and the Business School at Nanyang Technological University. He earned his doctorate in business administration (accounting), his master’s in economics from Duke University and his bachelor’s in management from the Georgia Institute of Technology.

Promotions, Awards and Appointments

**Nina Horioka** has been promoted to director of development. She will continue her work to raise private funds to support students and programs.

**Bianca Mordasini** has been promoted to senior director of alumni engagement. She will continue to grow the alumni engagement program and develop events and opportunities for alumni to connect with the college and other alumni.

**Alyssa Tanabe**, BBA ’11, has been promoted to associate director of donor relations. She will continue to manage all stewardship activities to ensure donors are appropriately recognized and supported.

The following faculty received teaching awards for the 2019 spring semester: **Eric Mais**, professor of finance, (Global MBA core course); **Benjamin Bystrom**, BBA ’83, finance faculty, (Global MBA elective course); **David McClain**, professor and president emeritus, (Executive MBA); **Eduard Merc**, information technology management faculty, (BBA business core course); **Constancio Paranal**, marketing faculty, (BBA major core course); and **Cristina Suarez**, PhD ’08, management faculty, (BBA elective course).

**Nathaniel Hartmann**, associate professor of marketing and Shidler College Faculty Fellow, was appointed to the Editorial Board of the Journal of Business Research.

Research


**Hua Chen**, professor of finance and First Insurance Company Distinguished Professor, A. Shao and M. Sherris, published “To Borrow or Insure? Long Term Care
Shirley Daniel, School of Accountancy professor and director of Pacific Asian Management Institute (right), was one of four panelists featured at the Nov. 1 “Inspiring Women of Hawai’i” panel discussion at the YWCA Laniakea. Other panelists included (from left) Lois Ann Yamanaka, poet and novelist; Kymberly Pine, Honolulu City Council member; and Catherine Ngo, president of Central Pacific Bank. The panelists were four of 22 Hawai’i women leaders featured in the new book “Inspiring Women of Hawai’i” by Loretta Chen, Ph.D. The book celebrates inspiring women who have contributed to the growth and development of Hawai’i.

Faculty in the News

Jerry Agrusa, associate professor at the School of Travel Industry Management (TIM), shared how the TIM School is developing the next generation of Hawai’i’s hospitality workforce and addressed issues on sustaining a motivated housekeeping staff in the September/October issue of the Hawaii Hospitality magazine. He was also featured on KITV4 News on Oct. 30 commenting on Southwest Airlines’ newest route between San Diego and Honolulu/Maui.


Prasanna Karhade

You-il (Chris) Park

From left: Nathaniel Hartmann, associate professor of marketing and Shidler College Faculty Fellow; Stephen Vargo, professor of marketing and Shidler College Distinguished Professor; AMA representative; and Heiko Wieland, PhD ’14, assistant professor of marketing, California State University, received the Shelby D. Hunt/Harold H. Maynard Award for their article “Converging on a New Theoretical Foundation for Selling,” published in the Journal of Marketing in 2018. Each year, the Hunt/Maynard Award recognizes an article that makes a significant contribution to marketing theory.

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Sonia Ghumman, associate professor of management, was quoted in the November issue of Hawaii Business magazine. She commented on the challenges and changing outlook for women seeking a leadership role in family businesses.
First Insurance Company of Hawaii renews sponsorship of popular speaker series

The Entrepreneurship Live (E-Live) speaker series at the Pacific Asian Center for Entrepreneurship (PACE) will continue for the next three years thanks to a renewed sponsorship of the event by First Insurance Company of Hawaii (FICOH). The series is free to all UH students and is well-attended. Each event features an inspiring entrepreneur who shares his or her personal journey of challenges and triumphs.

FICOH also serves as the title sponsor for Business Night and funds two distinguished professorships and an endowed scholarship. The company has also funded a co-working space at PACE and a corporate interview room at the college.

Celebrating the new and improved HouseMart Career Services Office

The newly renovated office was upgraded thanks to a $200,000 naming gift from HouseMart, the company that operates HouseMart Ace Hardware, HouseMart Ben Franklin Crafts and Daiso Hawaii retail stores. Students now enjoy clean lines, new light fixtures, a modern and functional workspace and the latest software on career data management and information. In addition to the recent gift, HouseMart is a Family Business Center member and funds an annual Business Night Award and an endowed scholarship.

The Career Services Office assists approximately 1,200 undergraduate business students with internships and employment opportunities and career training workshops each year. The office also hosts more than 200 companies to conduct interviews and recruit students.

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KPMG extends commitment to Accounting Research Center

Shidler College received a $50,000 gift commitment from KPMG to renovate and modernize the Accounting Research Center (ARC). The ARC was originally named in 1980 after a gift from Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Company, which is now KPMG. The newly refurbished ARC will continue to serve students with professional development activities including CPA review classes and provide a space for accounting clubs to meet. The center will be renamed the KPMG Center for Accounting Excellence. KPMG also funds an annual Business Night award and scholarship.
Northwestern Mutual Hawai’i establishes new endowed scholarship

Northwestern Mutual Hawai’i committed $50,000 to Shidler College this past summer. The funding will go toward an endowed scholarship that will support full-time undergraduate students.

In addition to its recent gift, the company has funded the Special Student in Financial Planning award since 2011 at the college’s annual Business Night event. Northwestern Mutual Hawai’i also continues to support the college through its participation in internships and career placement opportunities.

Vieira donates $1 million estate gift to scholarship

Keith Vieira, BBA ’79, former Starwood Hotels & Resorts executive and TIM School Advisory Council chair, has committed $1 million from his estate to an existing scholarship—which was recently renamed to the Keith Vieira Endowment for Kama‘aina Student Scholarships—at Shidler College. The scholarship, which was first established by Starwood Hawaii in 2013 in honor of Vieira’s contribution to the visitor industry, will support undergraduate and graduate students from Hawai’i high schools who want to pursue a degree at the college.

Vieira is an honoree of the Hall of Honor, inducted in 2002. He was also named Salesperson of the Year by Sales and Marketing Executives of Honolulu in 2003. In addition to numerous board appointments on O’ahu, he currently serves on the Shidler College of Business Advisory Council and provides career workshops for students as a Shidler executive-in-residence.

Former Hawaii‘i executive donates $100,000

Former Hawaiian Electric Industries (HEI) CEO Robert “Bob” Clarke and his wife Edwina, BBA ’85, have donated $100,000 to fund a scholarship endowment for first-year students accepted into the Shidler College of Business Direct Admit Program.

Clarke has served as an executive-in-residence, a lecturer and a faculty mentor and continues to serve on the college’s advisory council. In 2008, he was inducted into the Hall of Honor. Edwina Clarke began her career at KPMG as an auditor and later moved to Hawaiian Electric Industry Inc. where she led investor relations prior to being promoted to treasurer. Edwina Clarke most recently served as treasurer for Kamehameha Schools before retiring.

James P.D. Thropp, Jr. creates four new scholarships

The late James P.D. Thropp, Jr., BBA ’87, established four new scholarship funds benefiting business students at UH Mānoa and at his alma mater, UH Hilo. Thropp’s sister, Nancy Skelsey, says that the classes he took while a business student at UH Hilo provided him knowledge which he applied to his hobby: the stock market. Skelsey describes her brother as a smart, thoughtful and caring man who worked in the sugar industry throughout Hawai’i as a soil agronomist. “I know all the recipients will appreciate Jim’s scholarships and be inspired to study, work hard and hopefully all have good, full lives,” she said.
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1 | A DELICIOUS EVENING
Nearly 100 alumni and friends participated in Dine Around on Aug. 21 at the International Market Place in Waikiki. This signature event, hosted by the Shidler Alumni Association (SAA), provides an opportunity for guests to mix and mingle in a casual environment, as well as make new and meaningful business connections. Each restaurant—which included Herringbone, Stripsteak and Shorefrye—showcased its most popular fare and libations.

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An intimate group of 20 alumni and friends enjoyed a Major League Baseball game with an epic view. The group gathered in one of the Oracle Park’s private luxury suites to watch the Sept. 11 San Francisco Giants game against the Pittsburgh Pirates. The private function was hosted thanks to the generosity of Duane Kurisu, BBA ’76, MBA ’80.

4 | SMILES IN SAN JOSE
Shidler and College of Engineering alumni and friends came together in San Jose on Sept. 10 for a networking event co-sponsored by the SAA, the College of Engineering and Dean Brennon Morioka. The crowd gathered at SP2 Communal Bar + Restaurant to network and enjoy drinks and delicious appetizers. Guests enjoyed an invigorating presentation on "technology and its impact on society and cognitive thinking" by Shidler’s Hon Kau and Alice Lee Distinguished Associate Professor Randy Minas.

LENDING KEIKI A HAND
Forty alumni and students gathered at Hawaii Foodbank on Sept. 7 to pack nearly 3,000 bags with canned proteins and meals, dry goods, snacks and more for the Food 4 Keiki School Pantry Program. The fall community service event was organized by the SAA to support Hawai‘i’s families. The program aims to combat childhood hunger by providing students with after-school snacks and family food bags at more than ten schools statewide.

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6 | SEPTEMBER IN SEATTLE
The Shidler development team visited with alumni and friends in Seattle in September. The team enjoyed visits with alumni (pictured) Jon Evans, MBA ’94; Ki Hwa Gosline, BBA ’17; Kirk Wei, BBA ’17; Mia Porter, BBA ’18; Sonja Nordmark, BBA ’06; (not pictured) Patrick Ogawa, BBA ’82; Karen Morikubo, BBA ’81, MBA ’84; and Yukio Morikubo, BBA ’82, MBA ’84. Shidler alumni and friends joined fellow UH alumni at the Washington Alumni Celebration on Sept. 13 and the Hawai‘i vs. Washington Football Rally on Sept. 14 before the big game.

7 | A GRAND HOMECOMING
A homecoming of 30 TIM School graduates from 1967 to 2019 took place at the Espacio, the Jewel of Waikiki, on Sept. 20. It was an evening of rekindling with old friends (as well as meeting new ones), enjoying hors d’oeuvres and participating in a tour of the property’s Sapphire Suite. Mahalo to the TIM International, Inc. (TIMI) Board of Directors for organizing this event.

8 | MENTORSHIP FUN
The SAA and Shidler Global Leaders (SGL) hosted the annual SGL Mentor Connect event on Sept. 26 at the International Market Place. The event brought Shidler students from numerous clubs together with 30 business professionals for an evening of networking and dining at three restaurants—Flour and Barley, Eating House and Herringbone. This unique dining experience allowed students and mentors to “talk story” with a new set of guests at each restaurant while sharing work experiences and career advice.

9 | HOLIDAY PAU HANA
The first joint alumni and friends’ event for graduates of the Shidler College of Business and the School of Travel Industry Management (TIM) was held on Dec. 4 at WorkPlay in Honolulu. The holiday networking pau hana, which was hosted by the SAA and TIMI, drew approximately 90 guests.

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Meet Harry Lake, BBA ’01, the CEO of Koa Partners, a privately-held real estate development and investment firm in Irving, Texas. As CEO, he is responsible for providing overall strategic direction for the firm. Following his time at Shidler College, Lake went on to earn his MBA at Harvard Business School and graduated in 2003. Prior to his current role, Lake worked in a variety of positions, including head of U.S. acquisitions at Trammell Crow Company, fire support specialist for the Hawaii Army National Guard, waiter at Sarento’s and a newspaper boy for the Honolulu Star-Bulletin. He lives in Dallas with his wife, Lisa, who is also a UH grad (BBA ’99, MSW ’01) and their two sons, Hayden, 11 and Roman, 7.

Tell us about a day at the office.
“I love what I do because there isn’t a ‘typical day.’ I do try to build in micro-routines where I can for efficiency. Our overall mission is to bring character-driven men and women together to provide real estate solutions to clients. One constant is that we are big on communicating and do our best to remain consistent and speak in one voice.”

What projects/initiatives are you currently working on?
“A few that I can mention that are not under confidentiality agreements are mission work which includes helping families impacted by hurricanes Matthew and Dorian; community building on the Ka‘ono‘ulu mixed-use community on Maui; office construction of a newly construction headquarters for a state agency in Oklahoma and value-added office acquisitions of a 204,000 square-foot office building with three acres of land to provide opportunities for a growing community.”

What do you do to relax and destress?
“My family loves to play golf together. Though we aren’t talented in any way, we love being outdoors and spending time with each other and friends. My wife and I celebrated 20 years of marriage this year by traveling to all four golf majors – Masters, PGA Championship, U.S. Open and British Open – with the ‘ohana.”

What is your favorite activity outside the office?
“Enjoying the outdoors, whether it be a day at the beach, hiking or playing golf with my family. I believe we are at our best when we are in nature.”

What is your favorite lunch?
“Hawaiian plate lunch which includes poi.”

Do you have any advice for current students?
“Surround yourself with people who you trust and who trust you. You are at a great school that will prepare you for any challenge ahead if you put in the effort to get the most out of your experience.”

What are some of your favorite memories of Shidler?
“I love the relationships that I established and grew. Some of my best and most trusted friends came out of this period of my life.”

How did your experience at Shidler prepare you for what was to come?
“The college provided opportunities for leadership roles, which shaped my leadership approach. My passion was in real estate development and the school did a great job of allowing me to pull together a comprehensive program in real estate, finance and management information system.”
1980s

Terri Fujii, BBA ’84, MACC ’85, received the Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser award at the National Philanthropy Day Conference and Luncheon at the Sheraton Waikiki on Nov. 13. The annual event is sponsored by the Association of Fundraising Professional Aloha Chapter and celebrates philanthropy in the islands. She serves as the chair of the School of Accountancy Advisory Board and as a member of the Shidler College advisory board and was inducted into the Hall of Honor in 2007.

Adelbert “Del” Green, BBA ’83, director at Case Lombardi & Pettit, A Law Corporation, has been appointed chairperson of the Host Organization Committee for the 2020 annual Rotary International Convention, which will be held in Honolulu from June 6-10. Rotary is a global network of 1.2 million business, professional and community leaders who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change in their communities. The 2020 convention is expected to draw 27,000 Rotarians from around the world.

2000s

Joanna Amberger, MBA ’08, has enrolled in the William S. Richardson School of Law’s Evening Part Time Juris Doctor program at the University of Hawai‘i. Her anticipated graduation date is Spring 2023.

Maile Au, MBA ’06, has been promoted to senior executive director of alumni relations from senior director of community and alumni relations at the UH Foundation. In this elevated role, Au is responsible for leading a comprehensive engagement program for alumni around the globe. She joined the UH Foundation in 2008 as director of alumni engagement at the Shidler College. She’s also an Alaka‘i board member for the Hawaii Foodbank and committee member for the American Heart Association BEAT.

Gavin Masuda, BBA ’05, was promoted to the partnership of Latham & Watkins LLP, an international law firm, with offices spanning 14 countries. His position includes defending accounting firms and their directors and officers in connection with financial fraud cases. He worked on the Washington Mutual Bank case and the million-dollar mortgage fraud at Taylor, Bean & Whitaker and most recently, Aequitas Capital Management.

Britney Sussman, BBA ’08, has joined Endeavour Capital as director of talent in its Los Angeles office. She will be responsible for working closely with Endeavour’s portfolio companies to assess, recruit and retain growth-driven leaders for C-suite positions. She will also work to optimize the company’s organizational and human capital strategies through due diligence.

Cecilia Ho, BBA ’80, was presented with an honorary fellowship at the University of Hong Kong in September. She was one of three distinguished individuals to be recognized for their contributions to the university and to the community. Ho was inducted in the 2010 Hall of Honor Awards and is president of Lee Hysan Foundation in Hong Kong.
2010s

Riccardo Coffani, BS ’11, has received his MBA from the Global Hospitality Management School at Les Roches Switzerland, which is ranked third in the nation for hospitality and leisure management. Coffani was honored as the top MBA student of his class at the commencement ceremony in December 2018. He is now working in London at the Edwardian Hotels Group as its Bespoke Events and private dining manager.

Jaimelynne Cruz, MBA ’19, has joined Landed as a property operation lead. Her primary responsibility is helping with workflow systems, which mainly include risk analysis with the financial technology company’s real estate investments.

Mia Porter, BBA ’18, has joined Liberty Mutual as an associate financial analyst in the treasury department at the company’s Seattle office. She works with a team to compile information and inputs into the budgeting system to ensure effective working cash management.

Dr. Cedric Strong, MBA ’19, has co-founded WePrescribe and serves as the company’s vice president. He is responsible for managing the company’s daily operations and business strategy for telemedicine services. He is also a practicing doctor on the telemedicine service and leads physician recruitment and development.

Michael Robinson, MBA ’14, was one of 50 outstanding individuals from across the U.S. who were presented with the American Hospital Association’s 2019 Grassroots Champion Award. This award recognizes hospital leaders who effectively educate elected officials on how major issues affect the hospital’s vital role in the community, who have done an exemplary job in broadening the base of community support for the hospital and who are tireless advocates for hospitals and their patients. Robinson serves as vice president of government relations and community affairs for Hawai’i Pacific Health.

Tarik Sultan, MBA ’10, co-founder and managing partner of Sultan Ventures, was named to The Business Journals’ Influencers: Rising Stars list, which highlights 100 executives who are having a substantial impact early in their careers. In addition to the Rising Stars list, Sultan also recently made news headlines when he received U.S. Small Business Administration’s top Small Business Leadership award.

Alex Truong, BBA ’13, has joined American Savings Bank as a residential loan officer. He is responsible for helping first-time home buyers, veterans and real estate investors find the best loan to finance their home. He previously worked at a top Honolulu mortgage banker where he originated loans for national lenders, local banks, credit unions and new condo developments.

Casey Obatake, BS ’01, and Daniel Chun, BS ’02, were both honored at Pacific Business News’ fourth annual Pineapple Awards on September 19 at the Hale Koa Hotel. The event honors 20 leading professionals working in Hawai’i’s tourism and hospitality industries. Obatake is the director of operational excellence at Sheraton Waikiki and Chun is the director of sales, community & public relations at Alaska Airlines.
In Memoriam – Barry K. Taniguchi, BBA ’69

Hawai‘i business and community leader Barry K. Taniguchi passed away on Sept. 20, 2019. Born and raised in Hilo, Hawai‘i, Taniguchi started working for his family-owned supermarket chain at a young age and became the third executive leader of KTA Super Stores in 1989. As CEO, Taniguchi introduced quality local produce and products and continued to grow the qualities which KTA has become known for—customer service and great employees.

Taniguchi will be remembered as a tireless advocate for education, healthcare and the underserved. He served on numerous boards and received more than a dozen awards for his lifetime commitment to servicing and strengthening his community. The Shidler College recognized him as a Hall of Honor recipient in 2002.

“Not only was Barry well-liked and respected on the Big Island, but everyone across Hawai‘i was affected by his generosity, compassion, commitment and business knowledge,” Dean Vance Roley said. “He was tremendously gracious and welcoming and made me feel that life in Hawai‘i would be special, and indeed it is. I recall that after he established a memorial fund for Business Night in his grandparent’s name, Barry was committed to presenting the student award in person at each Business Night event. This past May, he flew in from Hilo once again to present his award and serve as a mentor. Aloha Barry.”

Taniguchi is survived by his wife, Sandra, and children Tracy, Terri, Toby, Amanda and Ryan and their families.

Lee Wang, MBA ’19, who is the co-owner of Lucy’s Lab Creamery, gave students an inspiring talk on Nov. 1 as part of the Pacific Asian Center for Entrepreneurship’s (PACE) Entrepreneurship Live speaker series. He spoke about how his inspiration for opening Lucy’s Lab’s Creamery stemmed from the mere sight of seeing people line up to eat good ice cream despite cold weather. Wang emphasized that creativity in the workplace is so important to encourage growth and development but it is really his passion for sharing creativity that drives him and his business.

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If you were to ask Joshua Domingo, BBA ’17, two years ago where he saw himself after graduating from Shidler College of Business, chances are that living in a thatched hut with no electricity and having to fetch his own water would be the farthest thing from his mind.

After Domingo left the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa with degree in hand, he worked as an information technology administrator for the Department of Education. He quickly realized that a path of structure and predictability was not what he was after at this time in his life and he learned that the Peace Corps offered what he was looking for.

“I was seeking a higher purpose beyond just learning,” he says. “I wanted to travel and I wanted to know what else was out there beyond these white sandy beaches and palm trees swaying in the wind.”

Far from his life as a techie, Domingo works to empower Uganda’s citizens with skills and knowledge in nutrition and food security and entrepreneurship. Since living in a village in Uganda, Domingo has learned many lessons about the people and the culture, and perhaps most importantly, about himself.

Home on O‘ahu, Domingo’s weekly routine included hanging out with his friends in Chinatown, enjoying the beach on weekends, adding milk to a Starbucks coffee and hoping he didn’t spill it when driving to work. In Uganda, he has a vast schedule change, consisting of waking up early to farm in the garden and biking to meetings under the mango trees and hoping to not fall over or run into a cow.

“At the very core, people all across the world may not be so different after all,” Domingo says. “We want happiness, relationships and peace of mind. The color of our skin, the sounds of our language and our demeanor is not indicative of the divide that we see between us, but an incredible diversity amongst the human race.”

His time on the other side of the globe has come with its challenges and leaving the safety of home, family and friends was not easy. Domingo says that he is viewed as a foreigner who has money and assumptions are easily made about who you are and what you do. When he meets locals, he is often badgered with questions about being an American and is asked for money.

Despite these uncomfortable realities,

Domingo says there have been many positives. He especially enjoys the unwavering optimism in many of the people he comes in contact with.

“In my area of work, I get to be among those that have envision this world without HIV/AIDS and issues of hunger and poverty,” he says. “It’s empowering and you get excited to teach and see others grow and learn that life doesn’t have to be so hard, and it was through your small impact that you can see it all unfold.”

Although he is adapting to life in Uganda, there are comforts of everyday life that Domingo misses, such as Andy’s Sandwiches in Mānoa. But the lure of Hawai‘i is not enough to keep the young man stationary for long and he already has plans for his next big adventure involving a backpacking trip around Europe to Asia.

“Traveling is not just for the wanderlust-afflicted person, it is for all people,” Domingo says. “From where we live now, our scope of understanding is only so big and is limited by where you are. You can only appreciate Ala Moana Beach if you’ve ever left the island and you have seen what others call a beach.”
Marriott International - Waikiki Complex Kyo-ya

As one of Hawai'i’s largest employers, with more than 3,800 hotel associates in its workforce, Kyo-ya Hotels and Resorts has a long history in Hawai'i dating back to 1961. The company is the steward of six hotel and resort properties in Hawai'i and California, including historical treasures: Moana Surfrider, A Westin Resort & Spa; The Royal Hawaiian, a Luxury Collection Resort and The Palace Hotel, a Luxury Collection Hotel in San Francisco; as well as the Sheraton Waikiki, Sheraton Princess Kaiulani and Sheraton Maui Resort & Spa.

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Ashley Okimoto, BS ’13, Revenue Manager | Tetsuji Yamazaki, MPS ’96, General Manager | Crystal Sellona, BBA ’94, Human Resources Manager
FEATURED EVENTS FOR SPRING 2020

**TUE** | **FEB 18** | Japan Alumni & Friends Event
Alumni and friends are invited for a networking event from 6:30-9 p.m. at the Tokyo American Club. Enjoy delicious appetizers, good conversation and great company. Chris Tatum, president and CEO of Hawai’i Tourism Authority, is the guest speaker.
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**THU** | **FEB 20** | Hong Kong Alumni & Friends Event
Eddie Flores, BBA ’70, founder of L&L Drive-Inn/L&L Hawaiian Barbecue, will speak to alumni and friends in Hong Kong. Join the college from 6:30-9 p.m. at Lanson Place to gain valuable insights from one of Hawai’i’s leading business leaders.
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**THU** | **MAR 12** | Executive Vineyards
2020 marks the 20th anniversary of the much-anticipated Shidler Alumni Association fundraising event. This year’s event will take place from 6-9 p.m. at The Royal Hawaiian and features dishes from award-winning restaurants, hundreds of wines, craft beers and sake.
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**WED** | **APR 22** | Flores Real Estate Lecture Series
This year’s guest speaker is B.J. Kobayashi. The annual lecture series focuses on the real estate industry and was established by L&L Drive-Inn/L&L Hawaiian Barbecue’s Founder Eddie Flores, BBA ’70, and his wife, Elaine. From 6-7:30 p.m. at the Waialae Country Club.
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**THU** | **APR 30** | TIM Celebrate a Legacy in Tourism
This year’s honorees are Paul Kosasa, president and CEO of ABC Stores, and Glenn Vergara, BBA ’84, vice president and general manager at Waikiki Resort Hotel. Proceeds from the event fund student scholarships. From 5-9 p.m. at the Hilton Hawaiian Village.
[legacyintourism.eventbrite.com](legacyintourism.eventbrite.com)

**WED** | **MAY 06** | Business Night
Business Night, now in its 59th year, connects students with business professional for an evening of scholarly recognition and mentoring. This event takes place from 6-9 p.m. at the Sheraton Waikiki.
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