

Rheta Kuwahara  
 College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources  
 Family and Consumer Sciences  
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**Education**

<u>Degree</u>	<u>University</u>	<u>Major</u>
MEd	University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa	Masters of Education in Early Childhood Education
Professional Diploma	University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa	Diploma of Education in Elementary
BS	University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa	Bachelors of Education in Elementary Education, Minor in Language Arts

**Professional Appointments**

<u>Title</u>	<u>Employer</u>	<u>Dates Employed</u>
Instructor	University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa CTHAR	2018-present
Instructor	Honolulu Community College Early Childhood Education	2013-2018
Instructor	Honolulu Community College Professional and Career Education	2013-2018
Assistant Director of Early Childhood Education Graduate Program	University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa College of Education ECE Graduate Program	2012-2013
Pedagogical Coach & Curriculum Developer	University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa College of Education Educational Psychology	2011-2012; 2008-2009

**Courses Taught at University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa**

<u>Course ID</u>	<u>Name</u>
HDFS 230	Human Development (3)
HDFS 331	Infancy & Early Childhood (3)
HDFS 332	Middle Childhood Development (3)
HDFS 341	Parenting (3)

## **State and University Awards**

Ho'olaulima No Na Keiki Award: Circle of Honor

Good Beginnings Alliance

Annually Nominated for Excellence in Teaching Award at University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and at Honolulu Community College

## **Publications**

### **Refereed Journal Publications**

Muccio, L. S., Kuwahara, R. F., Otsuji, J. Y. (2015/2016). 'Ohana math: Family engagement to encourage math learning at home. *Teaching Young Children*, 9(2), 10-13.

### **Practitioners Publications**

Muccio, L. S., Kuwahara, R. H., & Otsuji, J. (2014). Infants Through Preschool. 'Ohana Math: Family Engagement to Promote Mathematical Learning for Hawai'i's Young Children. *Young Children*, 24 - 31.

Yamauchi, L. A., & Kuwahara, R. H. (2008). Joint Productive Activity: Collaboration that builds new understandings. *Young Children*, 63, 34-38.

## **Creative Works**

Human Development and Family Studies promotional and recruitment banners (including some photography)

CTAHR Notes articles on the Pause Space and Mindfulness

Center for Research on Education, Diversity, and Excellence (CREDE) Hawai'i Project website content (<https://manoa.hawaii.edu/coe/crede/>)

## **Leadership Roles**

- Senator of the UHM Faculty Senate 2023
- Secretary of the Committee of Student Affairs of the UHM ASUH Scholarship Review committee 2023
- Faculty advisor for student organization, the Friends of the Family 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018
- Co-chair of the planning committee (peri-natal, neo-natal, and early learning sections) of the Children and Youth Day 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017  
25,000 estimated attendees
- Hawaii Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Coalition 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019
- Social Media Campaign Committee 2023
- CTAHR's Website Committee 2023

## **Community Engagement**

- Judge for Waipahu High School Career and Technical Education Showcase 2023, 2022
- Consultant for the Director of The Toddler Program. 2023, 2022