

**URL**

<http://dspace.lib.hawaii.edu/handle/10790/1105>

Mission

The mission of HOKU, the Hilo Online Knowledge Universe, is to serve as a managed online space where UH Hilo scholarly or creative content in electronic formats may be stored, preserved, and disseminated.

Structure

HOKU is a community of the UH System Repository locally administered by the Edwin H. Mookini Library and hosted at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. Units within UH Hilo are eligible to define their own "communities," within which they may create collections of documents organized into themes of their own choosing.

Advantages

- Units of UH Hilo can establish their own criteria for inclusion in collections of their own design.
- Units can upload documents to their site themselves and enter their own "metadata" to describe each document.
- Permanent URLs are created for each document.
- Units can customize the look of their community's page.
- UH Mānoa takes care of server maintenance and makes the documents findable in sites like Google Scholar.
- Migration to new formats is handled by the repository at UH Mānoa.
- Most access is open but units can require UH authentication.
- File size is usually not an issue. If there are video files, since they're so large, the library will need to determine if it can accommodate them.

Caveats

- The community must resolve any copyright issues. As at UH Mānoa, UH Hilo authors / copyright owners will need to sign a non-exclusive license to distribute giving their permission to post their work to HOKU.

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