

TWO-DAY SEMINAR

Pineapple Growers, Women Pioneers, and Imperial Adventurers

New Perspectives on Overseas Japanese in the History of Hawai'i and the Pacific

Inspired by increasingly robust transnational and interdisciplinary studies in academia, this two-day seminar examines the history of Japanese diaspora in the Pacific where cross-border movements of peoples, ideas, and objects linked Japan, Okinawa, Taiwan, Hawai'i, and the United States. The seminar draws upon insights available in the disciplines of History, Gender Studies, Ethnic Studies, and Asian Studies and showcases rare historical documents that are deposited in archives in Hawai'i, Taiwan, the mainland US, and other locations.



The 1st segment : A public lecture

The lecture features two speakers, who present their latest research projects that offer new perspectives on the studies of overseas Japanese in the history of Hawai'i and the Pacific.



Eiichiro Azuma

A Professor of History and Asian American Studies at the University of Pennsylvania
Title: *Hawai'i's Japanese Immigrants and an Origin of Colonial Taiwan's Pineapple Industry*



Mire Koikari

A Professor of Women's Studies at the University of Hawai'i
Title: *Racial Science, Domestic Reform, and Japanese Immigration in Territorial-era Hawai'i*

Date: September 4 (Tuesday)
Time: 3:00 - 5:00 PM
Where: Room 301, UHM Hamilton Library 3F
Language: English
Admission: Free

The 2nd segment : A workshop

The workshop provides a forum in which **Yuma Totani** will facilitate discussions, with **Azuma** and **Koikari** showcasing sample archival documents and their usage. Participants will think about the challenges of applying transnational and interdisciplinary perspectives, consider the significance of gender, race, indigeneity, immigration, and empire as analytical categories, and develop innovative analytical approaches to the use of archival resources for historical research.



Yuma Totani

A Professor of Modern Japanese History at the University of Hawai'i

Date: September 6 (Thursday)
Time: 3:00 - 5:30 PM
Where: Room SAK A201, UHM Sakamaki Hall
Language: English
Admission: Free

