

New AICP Members

Please congratulate six local planners who passed the AICP written examination in November 2014. They are: **Daniel Alexander** of the Hawai'i Bicycle League; **Sery Berhanu** of the Honolulu Department of Planning and Permitting; **Tracy Camuso**, **Barrie Fox Morgan**, and **Kawika McKeague** of Group 70 International; and **Suwan Shen** of the Department of Urban and Regional Planning, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa.



Daniel Alexander is Hawai'i Bicycling League's Advocacy and Planning Director, leading the non-profit's bicycle and Complete Streets advocacy initiatives. He is a MURP degree graduate of UH Mānoa's Department of Urban and Regional Planning, where he focused on transportation and land use planning. Before joining HBL, Daniel worked as an alternative transportation planner for Cape Cod National Seashore in Massachusetts and as a planner for Belt Collins Hawai'i.



Sery Berhanu is a planner with the Urban Design Branch of the Honolulu Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP). Sery completed the Master of Urban and Regional Planning (MURP) degree program at UH Mānoa. She also received a Bachelor's degree in Architecture from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona. She brings a combination of design and planning experience to her planning work. Before joining DPP, Sery was a planner with WCP Inc.



Tracy Camuso is an environmental and land use planner with eight years of professional experience. At Group 70 International, Inc. Tracy has completed environmental studies and permitting for several renewable energy and biofuels projects in Hawai'i. She prepares environmental impact documents, applications for various land use permits, master plans and design guidelines. Her project experience includes hotel renovations and improvements, agricultural developments, residential communities, educational facilities, industrial parks and scientific

research institutions. Prior to joining Group 70, Tracy worked on public relations and policy issues in the Office of U.S. Senator Daniel K. Inouye and the Hawai'i State Legislature. Tracy has served as APA Hawai'i Chapter Membership Chair from 2007 to the present. She enjoys spending time with her family, going to the beach and playing tennis.



Kawika McKeague is a Senior Planner and Director of Cultural Planning at Group 70 International, Inc. Kawika provides a unique specialization and approach to the firm's planning practice as a Maoli practitioner. Kawika facilitates culturally-driven sustainable design solutions while managing a diverse portfolio of land use and resource stewardship projects. Kawika holds a Bachelor's degree in Political Science, the Master in Urban and Regional Planning (MURP), and a Graduate Certificate in Historic Preservation from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and upholds his 'ūniki rites as 'ōlapa and ho'opa'a. He is also the Board President of PA'I Foundation, a non-profit dedicated to the perpetuation and preservation of Native Hawaiian culture through education and practice.



Barrie Fox Morgan specializes in environmental compliance documentation and natural resource management planning, gained through more than 17 years of experience in Hawai'i and the Pacific. An environmental planner with Group 70 International since 2013, she spent 15 years planning for, and managing natural areas throughout the Hawaiian Islands, and two years as a technical writer for the research department of her Alma Mater, the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. Barrie is currently Chair of the Kailua Urban Design Task Force. When not sitting at a desk, Barrie is on the ocean paddling. She has crossed the Kaiwi Channel twice as a competitor in the annual *Na Wahine o Ke Kai*.



Suwan Shen is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Urban and Regional Planning at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. She received master degrees in both Urban and Regional Planning and in Civil Engineering, and the Ph.D. in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Florida. Her research focuses on the impacts of and adaptation to climate change, including the quantification of 'place vulnerability' to climate change in coastal regions. Before moving to Hawai'i, she worked for the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council. She looks forward to conducting more research relevant to local planning problems in Hawai'i.

AICP Membership

The American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) is the professional arm of the American Planning Association (APA). AICP certifies practicing city, regional, and rural planners and promotes continuing education, ethics, and professional development. To join AICP, members must submit an application to APA to see if they qualify to take the written examination. The exam is routinely offered during a two-week period in May and November of each year. For eligibility requirements and other information about AICP and the exam, please visit the national APA website: www.planning.org/aicp. If you are qualified to take the exam and need assistance in preparing for it, please contact Professor Peter Flachsbaart, Ph.D., AICP, either by phone (956-8684) or email (flachsba@hawaii.edu) at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. As APA Hawai'i Chapter's Professional Development Officer, Peter typically offers review sessions several weeks prior to the exam, if there is sufficient demand.