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## The Dai Ho Chun Distinguished Chair in the Colleges of Arts & Sciences

Presents

### “Have We Wrecked Public Universities? If So, How Do We Fix Them?”

A free book signing/reception with and public lecture by  
Christopher Newfield

Monday, February 13

5:00 p.m. book signing/reception; 6:00 p.m. public lecture  
Bamboo Courtyard and Art Auditorium of the Art Building on the Mānoa Campus



Christopher Newfield will speak about his new book on the post-2008 struggles of public universities to rebuild their social missions, titled *The Great Mistake: How We Wrecked Public Universities and How We Can Fix Them*.

Newfield is a professor of literature and American studies at the University of California, Santa Barbara. His research in critical university studies links his concern with humanities teaching to the study of how higher education continues to be re-shaped by industry and other economic forces. His other books on this subject are *Unmaking the Public University: The Forty Year Assault on the Middle Class*, and *Ivy and Industry: Business and the Making of the American University, 1880-1980*. He also writes about American intellectual and social history. He blogs on higher education policy and writes for the *Huffington Post*, *Inside Higher Ed*, and the *Chronicle of Higher Education*.



The UH Bookstore will have books available for purchase at the signing.

#### Related Events:

“Governance, Academic Freedom, and Student Rights in the Trump Administration: Notes of a Public-Good University” lecture on February 15, 12 – 1:15 p.m., at East-West Center’s Burn’s Hall 4005/4009, followed by a master class from 1:30 – 3 p.m. To reserve a seat for the master class, go to: <https://chrisnewfield.eventbrite.com>

*These events are made possible by the late Dr. Dai Ho Chun through his estate gift, which established The Dai Ho Chun Distinguished Chair Endowment in the Colleges of Arts & Sciences. Dr. Chun was a distinguished and visionary educator. The colleges of Arts and Humanities and Languages, Linguistics & Literature, and the International Cultural Studies Certificate Program have also helped to sponsor these events.*

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