The phrase “the School-to-Prison Pipeline” has become shorthand for the continuing failures in the education system. The failures have resulted in students of color being disproportionately over or incorrectly categorized as in need of special education, and disproportionately and more harshly disciplined. The failures mean that students of color disproportionately achieve at lower levels. Many eventually drop, or are pushed out of, school, often ending up in juvenile justice facilities and prisons.

PANEL DISCUSSION : 12:30-2:00 p.m.

1. Karen Umemoto, Ph.D., Professor, University of Hawai‘i at Manoa
2. Kamaile Maldonado, Office of Hawaiian Affairs
3. Mark Patterson, Warden, Hawai‘i Youth Correctional Facilities
4. Nancy Budd, Attorney, State of Hawai‘i Board of Education
5. Jenny Lee, Staff Attorney, Hawai‘i Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice
6. Carl Ackerman, Director, Clarence T. C. Ching PUEO Program, Punahou School
7. The Honorable Karen M. Radius, Founding Judge, The Hawai‘i Girls Court
8. Justin Levinson, Professor of Law, William S. Richardson School of Law, University of Hawai‘i
9. Karen Umemoto, Ph.D., Professor, University of Hawai‘i at Manoa

GENERAL DISCUSSION : 2:00 p.m. – 2:30

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