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## Opportunities for bilingual speakers to be featured at fair

A free event highlighting how being bilingual can lead to increased job opportunities will be held at the UH Manoa campus on Wednesday, March 28, from 8:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Campus Center Ballroom.

Multilingual Career Development Day will feature keynote speakers, discussions, presentations, workshop activities and a myriad of other interactive addressing multilingual skills. Taking part in a career fair will be employers from Hawaiian Airlines, Bloomingdales, JTB, Booz Allen Hamilton, the Hawai'i Department of Education, State Judiciary and U.S. Air Force.

The event is sponsored by the [Hawai'i Language Roadmap Initiative](#), an initiative comprised of representatives from government, education, industry, military and other sectors that promote the benefits of and need for bilingual speakers.

The Roadmap is directed by Dina Yoshimura, associate professor of Japanese, which is a part of East Asian Languages and Literature in the College of Languages, Linguistics and Literature. "I've had hundreds of conversations with people throughout the state, and to no surprise, Hawai'i has a great number of bilingual speakers and potential speakers," she said. "With the