

Modern History of Hawaii
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Human Migration and Climate Change

Prompt: To what extent is human migration into the Pacific Ocean in Ancient History, Modern History, and in the Future related to climate change.

Instructions: Write a four-paragraph response to the prompt that uses your understanding of Finney's "Other One-third of the Globe", Langlois's "Landlocked Islanders" and your own extrapolations about the future of Hawaii.

Paragraph 1: Address the prompt by explaining "the extent" that human migration is related to climate change in the Pacific, and then give an overview of how human migration out of Sundaland is related to climate change, how human migration from areas in the Pacific Ocean is related to climate change, and how human migration within or from Hawaii is related to climate change.

Paragraph 2: based on the reading of Finney, explain how climate change affected human migration into the Pacific Ocean. Please revisit http://weisun.org/mhh/maps/migration_maps/01_b_sundaland_in_the_last_glacial_period.gif to help you conceptualize how climate change gave rise to human migration into Near Oceania. Successful colonization into Near Oceania is marked by increased human population, which in turn gives rise to the need for more land, until all the islands of the Pacific Ocean were visited by Austronesian descendants.

Paragraph 3: based on the reading of Langlois, explain how human migration is affected by rising sea-levels in the Marshall Islands, Kiribati, the Maldives, and Tuvalu.

Paragraph 4: Using your understanding of Finney and Langlois, create your own ideas about the future of Hawaii and human migration either from coastal regions into higher elevated areas, or from the Islands to areas on the Mainland, Asia, Europe, or Australia.