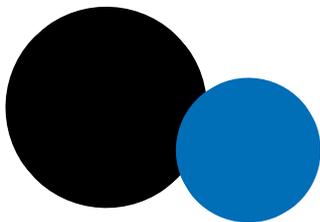


STUDENTS SPEAK TO CATHERINE CRUZ



The Hogan Entrepreneurial Leadership Program was honored to host Catherine Cruz, the host of The Conversation at Hawaii Public Radio. Also, Was formerly a television reporter for KITV in Hawaii, starting in 1983, with a career lasting over 30 years, and has earned numerous awards and the respect of audiences statewide. Ms. Cruz has spent her time covering beats ranging from government to education and health. Ms. Cruz shared that she is “fortunate to talk to so many people, and people who love what they do,” highlighting the inspiration she draws from her work as a journalist. She spoke about the many passionate individuals she has encountered throughout the islands, including those working with innovative and sustainable materials and wave energy—many of whom collaborate closely with the military. As a reporter and journalist, Ms. Cruz emphasized the crucial role of pursuing knowledge and sharing the truth about important issues. She also shared a personal story that reflects something deeply meaningful to her: her pride in being from Guam. Ms. Cruz discussed her ongoing research on traditional canoes from Guam and explained that, while this project is still in progress, her visit to the Hawaiian exhibit in London led her to discover additional important cultural knowledge. Through the stories and experiences she shared, it was clear that Ms. Cruz has a deep passion for her work and a strong commitment to honoring culture, truth, and storytelling.



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