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Dear Friends,

We are pleased to invite you to join a discussion with Colin Moore, a political scientist and Associate Professor in the College of Social Sciences at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa.

The discussion is titled "Soldiers of a Forgotten Empire: Memory, Empire, and the Battle for Filipino Veterans' Benefits" and will be held on Friday, February 27th, at 3:00 to 4:00 pm in person at Hamilton Library, or via Zoom.

Filipino World War II veterans fought under U.S. command—and then spent decades fighting for benefits that Congress deliberately denied after the war. Drawing on archival research in the Daniel K. Inouye Papers at Hamilton Library, this talk demonstrates how excluding Filipino veterans from the GI Bill enabled the United States to distance itself from its colonial past in the Philippines. It also introduces recent research on the longer institutional legacy of the U.S. Veterans Administration in the Philippines, tracing how veterans' benefits and health care became enduring yet incomplete legacies of empire.

**Click here to register to watch via zoom--**

<https://hawaii.zoom.us/meeting/register/AcBzfa8NQDe8NgaUoiF9hA#/registration>

Or

**Click here to attend in person at Hamilton Library, Room 301 (must register by Friday, February 20th)**

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