2009 - 2010 Catalog

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About this Catalog...

This catalog offers you a complete guide to studying at Matanuska-Susitna College. It includes information on admission and graduation requirements as well as program and course listings for certificate and associate’s degree students. You should refer to this catalog for clarification on what is required of you as a MSC student and for specific information about what is offered at MSC. If you are a current or enrolling student, you should also refer to the Course Schedule which lists the dates, times and locations of available courses for each semester. Schedules are available a few weeks before registration begins for the upcoming semester. If you need more information, refer to the directory on page 5 for a list of MSC offices and phone numbers.

It is the responsibility of the individual student to become familiar with the policies and regulations of MSC/UAA printed in this Catalog. The responsibility for meeting all graduation requirements rests with the student. Every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the information contained in this Catalog. However, the Matanuska-Susitna College Catalog is not a contract but rather a guide for the convenience of students. The College reserves the right to change or withdraw courses; to change the fees, rules, and calendar for admission, registration, instruction, and graduation; and to change other regulations affecting the student body at any time.

It is the policy of the University of Alaska to provide equal education and employment opportunities and to provide service and benefits to all students and employees without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, Vietnam era or disabled veteran status, physical or mental disability, changes in marital status, pregnancy, or parenthood. This policy is in accordance with the laws enforced by the Department of Education and the Department of Labor, including Presidential Executive Order 11246, as amended, Title VI and Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Public Health Service Act of 1971, the Veterans’ Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, the Equal Pay Act of 1963, the 14th Amendment, EEOC’s Sex Discrimination Guidelines, and Alaska Statutes 18.80.220 and 14.18. Inquiries regarding application of these and other regulations should be directed to the University of Alaska Anchorage’s Director of Campus Diversity and Compliance, the Office of Civil Rights (Department of Education, Washington, DC), or the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (Department of Labor, Washington, DC).
### FALL 2009 SEMESTER

- **Web Registration Begins**: April 6
- **On-site Registration Begins**: July 6
- **Semester Begins**: August 24
- **Late Registration (Add/Drop Period)**: August 24 - September 8
- **Web Registration Ends**: August 31
- **End of 100% Refund Period**: August 31
- **Labor Day Holiday**: September 7 & 8
- **Payment Deadline (end of 50% Refund Period)**: September 8
- **Add/Drop, Audit-to-Credit, Credit/No Credit Deadline**: September 8
- **Graduation Application Deadline/December Graduates**: September 8
- **Late Payment Fee Assessed ($125)**: September 9
- **Directed/Independent Study Deadline**: October 26
- **Open-Entry Registration Deadline**: October 26
- **Late Payment Fee Assessed ($175)**: November 3
- **Withdrawal, Credit-to-Audit Deadline**: November 16
- **Thanksgiving Holiday**: November 26 - 28
- **Total Withdrawal Deadline**: December 4
- **Semester Ends**: December 12
- **Grades Available on UA Online**: December 17

### SPRING 2010 SEMESTER (TENTATIVE)

- **Web Registration Begins**: November 9
- **On-site Registration Begins**: November 30
- **Semester Begins**: January 11
- **Late Registration (Add/Drop Period)**: January 11 - January 26
- **Alaska Civil Rights Day (campus closed)**: January 18
- **Web Registration Ends**: January 19
- **End of 100% Refund Period**: January 19
- **Payment Deadline (end of 50% Refund Period)**: January 26
- **Add/Drop, Audit-to-Credit, Credit/No Credit Deadline**: January 26
- **Graduation Application Deadline/May Graduates**: January 26
- **Late Payment Fee Assessed ($125)**: January 27
- **Spring Break–MSC**: March 8 - 13 (campus closed March 12 & 13)
- **Directed/Independent Study Deadline**: March 22
- **Open-Entry Registration Deadline**: March 22
- **Withdrawal, Credit-to-Audit Deadline**: April 9
- **Late Payment Fee Assessed ($175)**: TBA
- **Total Withdrawal Deadline**: April 26
- **Semester Ends**: May 3
- **Grades Available on UA Online**: May 6
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Sources of Information

For general information, voice mail menu, or cancellations due to weather call 745-9774.

| ADMINISTRATION          | College Director’s Office .............................................. 745-9726 or 9779 |
|                        | FAX .................................................................. 745-9769 |
|                        | Academic Affairs Office ............................................... 745-9754 |
|                        | FAX .................................................................. 746-9303 |
| ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES| Director of Administrative Services ..................................... 745-9723 |
|                        | Accounts Payable/Payroll/Personnel/Purchasing ......................... 745-9705 |
|                        | FAX .................................................................. 745-9711 |
| CAMPUS CACHE           | Student Accounts/Financial Aid Disbursements/Refunds .................. 746-9327 |
|                        | Supplies & Apparel ................................................................ 745-9739 |
|                        | FAX .................................................................. 745-9700 |
|                        | Online Textbook Ordering: http://bookstore.mbsdirectnet/matsu.htm or call (800) 325-3252 |
| COMPUTING & TECHNOLOGY SERVICES | Computing Technology/Computer Labs .............................................. 745-9738 |
|                        | FAX .................................................................. 745-9711 |
| LIBRARY                | Circulation Desk .......................................................... 745-9740 or 9714 |
|                        | FAX .................................................................. 745-9777 |
| PHYSICAL PLANT         | Building & Grounds Maintenance/Security .................................. 745-9750 |
|                        | FAX .................................................................. 745-9711 |
| STUDENT SERVICES       | Admissions/Registration/Records/Graduation .................................. 745-9746 |
|                        | Academic Advising/Financial Aid/Veterans .................................. 745-9762 |
|                        | FAX .................................................................. 745-9747 |
| THE LEARNING CENTER    | Testing/Tutoring ............................................................. 745-9772 |
|                        | FAX .................................................................. 745-9703 |
| ADDITIONAL NUMBERS     | Art Department ................................................................. 745-9755 |
|                        | CIOS Skill Center ............................................................. 745-9763 |
|                        | Student Government Office ................................................... 745-9759 |
|                        | TTY .................................................................. 745-9751 |
DEFINITIONS

ACADEMIC RECORD TRANSCRIPT: The official, permanently maintained records of credits and grades earned from courses, exams, etc., as well as awards, certificates, degrees, etc. received.

ACADEMIC YEAR: An academic year at MSC includes the fall semester (late August through mid-December), the spring semester (early January through mid-May), and summer semester (mid-May through mid-August).

ACCRREDITATION & CREDIT TRANSFERS: As an extended college of the University of Alaska Anchorage, Matanuska-Susitna College is fully accredited by the Northwest Accreditation Association for Schools and Colleges and credits are transferable to other post-secondary institutions. Specific course work is the same between the University of Alaska Anchorage and Matanuska-Susitna College campuses.

ADDING CLASSES: Students will be allowed to add semester-length courses up to the end of the second week of instruction. Instructor signatures are required after the first week of instruction for all add activity. Add forms are available in Student Services.

ADJUNCT FACULTY: A temporary, part-time faculty member hired to teach a class in his/her designated discipline.

ADMISSION: At MSC, the formal application process in which the student states his/her intention to work either toward a specific degree or certificate or to attend as a non-degree-seeking student.

ADVISOR/COUNSELOR: A college faculty or staff member whose responsibility is to help the student choose and follow a particular course of study. Advisors may also act as a sounding board for handling school-related problems.

APPLIED STUDIES: Area of study designed to teach the student how to perform specific skills. Examples: accounting, human services, computer systems technology.

ASSESSMENT: Assessment testing is offered to new students for general advising and to place them in appropriate classes.

ASSOCIATE’S DEGREE: Associate of Arts (AA) and Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degrees are commonly referred to as two-year degrees, since it would take two years to earn an associate’s degree if one completed 15 credits for each of four consecutive semesters.

AUDITING CLASSES: To take a course for general information only. No credit received. Tuition and fees are the same as taking the course for credit. Course appears with a grade of AU on your transcript. Audit registrations are on a space-available basis.

CANCELLED CLASSES: MSC reserves the right to cancel any class. Classes with low enrollment are subject to cancellation; tuition and fees will be refunded automatically.

CERTIFICATE: The certificate is an award of accomplishment representing the completion of 15 or more credits (depending on the field of study) in a specific area. A certificate can be earned in as little as one or two semesters.

CONCURRENT/COREQUISITE ENROLLMENT: A student is required to register for and attend both courses in the same semester.

CONTACT HOUR: An instructional measure of time representing 50 minutes. A one-credit lecture class requires 750 contact minutes.

COURSE CONTENT GUIDE: The official course plan kept on file by administration.

COURSE SYLLABUS: A syllabus is a detailed description of a college course. It includes such important items as attendance policy, assignments, grade policy, course objectives, instructor contact information, and course outline. You should receive a syllabus for each course you take.

CREDIT COURSES: Courses for which you receive college credit. The number of credits for a course is predetermined based on the number of contact and/or clock hours of instruction for the course. All credit courses will be shown on transcripts.

CREDIT HOUR: A unit of measure representing a specific number of contact hours of instruction and/or clock hours of outside study. A breakdown of the different lecture and lab hour combinations which equal one credit hour is provided in Chapter 9, “Course Descriptions” section of this Catalog.

CROSS-LISTED COURSES: Identical courses approved under separate prefixes. For example, HUMS A153/PSY A153 is cross-listed in Humans Services and Psychology. Students may enroll under either prefix but not both.

CURRICULUM: An organized program of study; the whole body of courses required for a program or degree.

DIRECTED STUDY: A Directed Study course is a permanent catalog course delivered on an individual basis when the course is not offered that semester. All forms must be submitted to Student Services.

DROP: Except for those shorter than one week, all courses have a brief period during which the student may drop and receive a refund. This is a trial period during which time one may decide, with little financial penalty, whether or not to take a particular course.

DROPPING CLASSES: Any semester length course dropped by the end of the second week of instruction will not appear on the student’s transcript.

ELECTIVES: Courses that the student may “elect” (choose freely) to take for credit towards an intended degree - as distinguished from courses the student is required to take, or those which one may choose to take but which do not count toward a degree.

ENROLLMENT: (1) The act of registering; (2) the total number of different students enrolled.

FACULTY SIGNATURE: Some course descriptions include “permission of faculty” as a prerequisite. Students must obtain the signature of the faculty member on the registration form prior to registering.

GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA): The average of all the course grades earned. Each course is worth a certain number of credits, and each grade is worth a certain number of points.
INDEPENDENT STUDY: An Independent Study course consists of topics or problems chosen by the student with the approval of the department concerned, with the supervision of an instructor, and with final approval by the College Director. All forms must be submitted to Student Services.

INSTRUCTOR OF RECORD: The instructor listed in the schedule at the time of printing may be subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances. It is the responsibility of the student to check the schedule addendum for any change in instructor or other pertinent information.

LECTURE and LAB: These terms refer to the type of instruction received. Lecture is classroom instruction in which the teacher orally delivers course content to the class. A lab is a setting for the application of theory, under the supervision and guidance of the teacher.

LOWER DIVISION: Lower division courses are numbered 100 to 299, generally considered to be those courses taken during the freshman and sophomore years of college.

NON-DEGREE-SEEKING: A student who wishes to take classes for general interest or personal/professional development and who does not wish to earn a certificate or degree from MSC may apply for admission as a non-degree-seeking student.

OCCUPATIONAL ENDORSEMENT CERTIFICATES: Certificates that require 29 or fewer credits to complete. These certificates provide the specialized knowledge and skills needed in specific employment sectors.

PETITION: A written request to change or waive any regulation as it applies to the student.

PLACEMENT/ASSESSMENT TESTING: Students registering for English and math for the first time must take placement tests. Individual departments and disciplines may require additional testing or assessment. Diagnostic placement tests are also required prior to enrollment in some courses and programs. These tests measure competency in math, reading, and/or written composition. A $10 assessment test fee will be charged for each testing session. Students will need to bring a picture ID with them.

PRACTICUM or FIELD WORK: A class which involves the application of learned skills in real situations.

PREREQUISITE: One or more requirements that must be met by the student before one is eligible to enroll in a specific class. For example: before a student can take English A211, he/she must successfully complete English A111.

REGISTRATION: The procedure by which students are registered in a class. Registration includes assessment and collection of fees. The terms registration and enrollment are generally interchangeable.

REGISTRATION BY PROXY: Students unable to register in person may have a proxy register for them if they provide the proxy with a signed Registration by Proxy form. These forms are available in Student Services or in the back of the Course Schedule. The proxy must follow the policies and calendar governing registration. Proxy registrations are not accepted without written permission from the student.

SCHEDULE ADDENDUM: Any changes to the printed schedule are reported on a computer generated printout referred to as the schedule addendum. Addendums are posted in Student Services.

SELF-SUPPORT CLASS: A self-support class is supported by participant fees and is calculated and refunded separately from regular tuition. Tuition waivers cannot be used.

SEMESTER-LENGTH COURSES and SHORT COURSES: Normal semester length for each fall and spring semester is approximately 15 weeks. “Semester-length courses” refers to those classes that start at the beginning of the semester and finish at the end of the semester. Courses which begin later in the semester and/or end earlier in the semester are referred to as “short courses.”

STACKED COURSES: Courses with the same prefix approved at different levels and offered at the same time and location. Only one level of the course may be taken at a time.

TRANSCRIPT: The official, permanently maintained records of credits and grades earned from courses, exams, etc., as well as awards, certificates, degrees, etc. received.

UNDERAGE REGISTRATION (Secondary School Students): An underage student is under 18 years of age and does not otherwise meet the requirements for open registration and admission. Special permission is required prior to registering.

UNDERGRADUATE: Pertaining to the programs of study in a college or university which lead to certificates and/or associate’s or bachelor’s degrees.

UPPER DIVISION: Upper division courses are numbered 300 to 499, and generally considered to be those courses taken during the junior and senior years of college.

WAIVER: A waiver of an academic or degree requirement means that the student does not have to meet that requirement. When fees are waived, the student does not have to pay those fees.

WITHDRAWAL: When the student drops after the refund period, it is considered to be a withdrawal. Students are not eligible for any refund when withdrawing. Withdrawals will be recorded on transcripts with a W but will not affect the GPA. Faculty members may also initiate a withdrawal under certain circumstances.
Occupational Endorsement
Certificates

Architectural & Engineering Technology
• CAD for Building Construction

CISCO
• CISCO-Certified Network Associate (CCNA)

Computer Information & Office Systems
• Office Foundations
• Bookkeeping Support
• Medical Office Support
• Office Digital Media
• Office Support

Refrigeration & Heating Technology
• Residential and Light Commercial Heating & Ventilation
• Commercial HVAC Systems
• Residential and Light Commercial Air-Conditioning & Refrigeration
• Commercial Refrigeration Systems

Veterinary Assisting

Certificates

Architectural & Engineering Technology
• Architectural Drafting
• Civil Drafting
• Mechanical & Electrical Drafting
• Structural Drafting

Refrigeration & Heating Technology

Telecommunications, Electronics & Computer Technology
• Computer & Networking Technology

Associate Degrees

Associate of Arts – General Program

Associate of Applied Science Degrees

Accounting

Architectural & Engineering Technology

Computer Information & Office Systems

Computer Systems Technology

Fire & Emergency Service Technology

Human Services
• General Emphasis
• Substance Abuse Emphasis
• Family and Youth Emphasis
• Disabilities Emphasis

Paramedical Technology

Refrigeration & Heating Technology

Small Business Administration

Telecommunications, Electronics & Computer Technology
• Computer & Networking Track

Cooperative Degrees with other UA Campuses

UAA/MSC

UAF/MSC

University of Alaska Fairbanks Statewide
Certificate and Associate of Applied Science Degree
Information Technology Specialist

University of Alaska Fairbanks
Palmer Research Center
Bachelor of Science
Natural Resources Management

UAA Conferred degrees available at MSC include:
AAS Early Childhood Development
AAS Nursing
Bachelor of Arts, Elementary Education
Bachelor of Human Services

Students pursuing a degree program conferred through UAA’s Anchorage campus are welcome to attend Matanuska-Susitna College without applying separately to MSC. Please refer to the UAA Catalog, available online at http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/enrollment/services/ for degree requirements, program specifics, and admission and graduation application deadlines.
CHAPTER ONE
Welcome to Matanuska-Susitna College

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ABOUT MAT-SU COLLEGE
Matanuska-Susitna College (MSC) is an extended college of the University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA). MSC was changed from its previous designation as a community college by University System restructuring in 1987. MSC was known originally as Palmer Community College, and provided its first course offerings to residents of the Matanuska and Susitna Valleys in 1958. In 1963, when the Borough government was formed, the name of the College was changed to correspond to the boundaries of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough. The college now serves approximately 1,800 students per semester.

The Mat-Su College campus is located on a 950 acre site on Trunk Road about halfway between Palmer and Wasilla. A modern 102,676 square foot facility houses a library, computer labs, a student advising center, a learning center, science and vocational labs, modern classrooms, a campus store, an art gallery for student and faculty shows, and a cafeteria/snack bar.

MSC offers a general program leading to the Associate of Arts. The curriculum provides a strong foundation for the pursuit of a baccalaureate degree. In addition, the College offers courses leading to Associate of Applied Science degrees in Accounting, Architectural & Engineering Technology, Computer Information & Office Systems, Computer Systems Technology, Fire & Emergency Services Technology, Human Services, Paramedical Technology, Refrigeration & Heating Technology, Small Business Administration, Telecommunications, Electronics & Computer Technology and the Information Technology Specialist through University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF).

Career and technical programs are offered providing certificates in Architectural & Engineering Technology, Computer Information & Office Systems, Computer & Networking Technology, Refrigeration & Heating Technology, Veterinary Assisting, and the Information Technology Specialist through UAF. Non-credit vocational and personal enrichment courses, continuing education courses, and selected upper division courses are also offered as demand warrants.

Mat-Su College offers professional development courses and provides selected college level classes to area high school students through Tech Prep, Academic Concurrent Enrollment, and District-wide course agreements with the Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District. The college provides a variety of services to surrounding communities, including meeting facilities for organizations and for special events.

ACCREDITATION
Accreditation is a process of recognizing educational institutions for performance, integrity, and quality that entitles them to the confidence of the educational community and the public. The dedication of UAA to the continuation of that performance, integrity, and quality is displayed in the credentials and accomplishments of the faculty, the breadth, depth, and substance of the academic programs, and in the availability and quality of services to the students and the community.

Matanuska-Susitna College is accredited through the University of Alaska Anchorage and the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) one of six Regional Institutions of Higher Education Regional Accrediting Associations recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. The Alaska State Approving Agency for veteran’s educational benefits approves many programs of study at Mat-Su College. See the UAA Catalog for specific program accreditation.

MISSION OF MATANUSKA-SUSITNA COLLEGE
MISSION
Educate students and prepare them for future learning, employment, and community engagement through a challenging and rigorous curriculum combined with exceptional support.

VALUES
Matanuska-Susitna College values:
- Academic freedom and the free exchange of ideas
- Appreciation of diverse cultures and ways of thinking
- Collaborative learning
- Community
- Both creative expression and technology
- Honesty, integrity, fairness, and mutual respect
- Intellectual development and self-enrichment
- Meaningful access to higher education

VISION
As exemplary leaders in the delivery of higher education in the Valley, Matanuska-Susitna College promotes the intellectual development and well being of the individual, community, state, nation, and world.

HISTORY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA
The University of Alaska dates from July 4, 1915, when the Honorable James Wickersham, delegate to Congress from Alaska, laid the cornerstone on land near Fairbanks that was set aside by Congress for the support of a land-grant college. The Territorial Legislature accepted the land-grant on May 3, 1916, and created "The Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines," defined its duties, and provided for a Board of Trustees consisting of eight members. The College opened for instruction on September 18, 1922, with the Honorable Charles E. Bunnell as President. The College became the University of Alaska by act of the Territorial Legislature on July 1, 1935; the Board of Trustees became the Board of Regents.
Today, the University’s statewide system includes the Major Academic Units (MAUs) at Fairbanks, Anchorage and Juneau. The University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA) has three extended colleges: Kenai Peninsula College in Kenai-Soldotna, Kodiak College in Kodiak, and Matanuska-Susitna College in Palmer, and an affiliate college, Prince William Sound Community College in Valdez. UAA also offers military education services at Eielson Air Force Base, Elmendorf Air Force Base, Fort Richardson Army Base, and Fort Wainwright Army Base.

CAMPUS DIVERSITY AND COMPLIANCE
Through the institution’s Affirmative Action Plan, the University of Alaska Anchorage and Matanuska-Susitna College recognizes its responsibility to provide education and employment opportunities for all qualified individuals. UAA also operates an Office of Campus Diversity and Compliance which monitors civil rights, Federal and state laws, orders, and decisions to ensure that access, inclusion, and equity are practiced at UAA.

Students and prospective students are afforded educational services such as admission decisions, financial aid, access to academic programs, and health and counseling services, without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, Vietnam era or disabled veteran status, physical or mental disability, changes in marital status, pregnancy or parenthood, except as necessary and permitted by law. A student or prospective student who feels that he or she is being discriminated against has the right to contact the appropriate supervisor for assistance.

The student or prospective student may also contact the MSC Affirmative Action Officer in the MSC Business Office (907-745-9705), the UAA Office of Campus Diversity and Compliance (907-786-4680), the Human Resource Services Department (907-786-4608), the AHAINA Student Programs Office (907-786-4070), the Office of Student Affairs (907-786-1214), Disability Support Services (907-786-4530) or the U.S. Department of Labor (Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Federal Building, Anchorage, Alaska) for advice on discrimination complaints.

DIVERSITY STATEMENT: With freedom of speech being at our core, UAA strives to create an inclusive, respectful campus community that promotes and embraces our individual differences. We are united in our belief that diversity includes understanding and respecting differences in ideas, religion, gender, ethnicity, race, sexual orientation, disability, age, and socioeconomic status. We celebrate diversity in all of our educational and employment endeavors.

FREE SPEECH AND ACADEMIC INQUIRY
In the pursuit of knowledge, any member of the university community shall be free to investigate and question any fact, context, action, purpose or belief that is encountered in any discipline. Any member shall be free to articulate discoveries, opinions and judgments that are found or formed in the process. MSC enables and encourages this activity and creates a culture of inquiry that is open to the expression and debate of ideas, whether or not they are popular, judicious, or refined.

HARASSMENT
Mat-Su College is a community that cherishes free and open exchange of ideas in the pursuit of knowledge. Maintaining this freedom and openness requires the presence of safety and trust; it requires the absence of coercion, intimidation, and exploitation. Therefore, harassment of any kind has no place in the University. Anyone who believes he or she has been a victim of harassment should contact the appropriate Dean/Director office(s), the UAA Office of Student Affairs, the UAA Office of Campus Diversity and Compliance, or the U.S. Department of Labor (Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Federal Building, Anchorage, Alaska).

ENROLLMENT STATISTICS

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ACTIVITIES
Activities occurring throughout the year include student and instructor art shows, various seminars and lectures, and receptions, banquets, and dances. Several times a year, students may attend theater productions, music programs, and operas. Many student clubs are active on campus: Math, Monitor (student newspaper), Asian Culture, Now-CAN, College Students for Christ, Polarbears Basketball, Team Art, and Order of the Iron Chariot.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT
For information on student positions, please access the Mat-Su College Employment Opportunities bulletin board located near the Copy Center in JKB. You can also research online through the university recruitment website at: www.uajobs.com. The postings will indicate the eligibility criteria for student employment and preference is given to students who are work study eligible. Student employment will not exceed 20 hours per week during a semester. Applicants needing reasonable accommodations to participate in the application or interview process should contact Human Resource Services at (907) 745-9725 or stop by Administrative Services at JKB 106. Students may not participate in co-curricular activities or student employment if their cumulative GPA falls below 2.0 (C).

STUDENT GOVERNMENT
http://www.matsu.alaska.edu/students/currentStudents/studentGovernment/index.htm
Student Government promotes the educational and general welfare of students through direct student participation in the governance process at Mat-Su College. Student representatives provide input into college policies and procedures, act as student voices on campus and in the community, and broaden the educational experiences and opportunities within the campus environment. Students who pay the student activity fee and carry at least three credits per semester are eligible to serve on the Student Government Council. For information, please call 745-9759.

FOOD SERVICE
Food service is available during fall and spring semesters in the campus cafeteria. Food and/or drinks are not allowed in the classrooms, library or computer labs.

CAMPUS CACHE
http://www.matsu.alaska.edu/campusResources/campusCache/
The Mat-Su College store, the Campus Cache, offers a variety of services for both students and the general public, including all cashiering, financial aid disbursements, receipt of tuition and fees payments, initiation of Tuition Management Services (TMS) payments, and refund processing. The Campus Cache carries some supplies along with MSC apparel and mementos. For current hours and additional information call 745-9739.

■ Textbooks
All textbooks for Mat-Su College courses are available through MBS Direct (Missouri Book Service), an online book company. Log on to http://bookstore.mbsdirect.net/matsu.htm 3 to 4 weeks prior to the start of the semester to view a complete list of required and recommended textbooks for Mat-Su College courses along with instructions and information on ordering.

A limited amount of textbooks will be available one week prior to the start of the semester (on a first come, first serve basis) in the Campus Cache. Not all optional texts will be carried in the Campus Cache. Textbooks can be purchased using cash, check, VISA, or MasterCard in the Campus Cache. If you plan on using your financial aid to purchase textbooks, you must use the virtual bookstore. For on-campus assistance, contact the Campus Cache at 745-9739.

COMPUTING & TECHNOLOGY SERVICES
http://www.matsu.alaska.edu/campusResources/computerServices/

■ Campus General Access Computer Labs
Students paying an MSC Computer Use Fee may use the MSC General Access Computer Lab in OLB 115 for academic projects. Internet browsers, Microsoft Office, and other applications are available on personal computers in the lab. Laser printers in the lab can be used for one final copy of academic projects. Student Lab Aides provide computer orientation and assist with interpreting error and system messages. Lab Aides may answer questions, but they are not tutors. A copy machine is available for student use. Lab hours are posted.

■ E-Mail Services
E-mail accounts are available to all students, staff, and faculty. Usernames and passwords are assigned automatically. For student account information please contact the UAA Call Center at 877-633-3888. Students can access their webmail account from the general access lab in OLB 115 or from any Internet connected computer. Handouts with more information are available in the lab or from www.matsu.alaska.edu/campusResources/computerServices/emailAccounts.htm or UAA Technology http://technology.uaa.alaska.edu/.

■ Blackboard
Blackboard is an Internet-based course management tool used by many instructors to offer additional classroom resources, such as lecture notes, handouts, class discussions, and quizzes. It is often used to teach distance education courses. Students enrolled in a web-based course will probably use Blackboard to access course work. Blackboard requires a user name and password assigned by UAA IT Services. For help logging in students may call the ITS Call Center at UAA) 907-786-4646 or 1-877-633-3888 (toll free) or click on Student Resources at www.uaa.alaska.edu/classes.

Students accessing any University computer or any portion of the University computer system must follow policies and procedures posted on the UAA Technology website: http://technology.uaa.alaska.edu/admin/PoliciesAndProcedures/
STUDENT INSURANCE

Students are responsible for their own insurance needs.

- **Student Health Insurance**
  
  [http://studenthealth.uaa.alaska.edu/hci.html](http://studenthealth.uaa.alaska.edu/hci.html)
  
  A group student health insurance plan is available for purchase to currently registered UAA/MSC students. For an additional premium, dependents and major medical expenses may be covered. For more information, contact Student Services in FSM 101 or FSM 102. Health insurance is mandatory for international students on student visas.

- **Accident and Travel Insurance**
  
  Supplemental accident insurance for field trips, fieldwork, laboratory, practica, internships, and special UAA/MSC events is available for purchase. Depending on departmental policy, either the student or the department assumes the cost of this insurance. This insurance is in excess of other insurance covering the student and is made available to students through the Statewide Risk Management office. It is the student’s responsibility to contact departments for further information.

  [www.alaska.edu/risksafety](http://www.alaska.edu/risksafety)

- **Auto Insurance**
  
  Under Alaska state law, all owners and drivers of vehicles must maintain adequate insurance coverage. Students are responsible for arranging their own auto insurance. Student vehicles are not covered under UAA’s auto insurance plan. Personal property insurance is also the responsibility of each student.

ALCOHOL POLICY

The University is concerned about ways in which alcohol use and abuse affect the primary academic mission of the institution, its overall atmosphere and the personal well-being of the college community. MSC has the duty to exercise the degree of care that a reasonable person would to ensure that private and public events are conducted in accordance with state law. Whether or not a person drinks alcoholic beverages is a personal decision, but individuals are held personally accountable for their actions.

- **Campus Alcohol Policy**
  
  The primary objectives of MSC/UAA’s policies and procedures on alcoholic beverages are to ensure responsible behavior and attitudes among all members of the college community, to educate the college community concerning the use and effects of alcoholic beverages in order to promote responsible decision-making and to help individuals experiencing difficulties associated with the use of alcohol. The Chancellor or the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs has the authority to approve events where alcoholic beverages may be served to individuals of legal age with positive identification. Approval to serve alcoholic beverages may be granted on designated premises for private College-sanctioned events. The sale of alcoholic beverages at College-sanctioned events on campus is not permissible and is not approved by the Chancellor. Personal consumption, possession, or display of beer, wine or other alcoholic beverages is prohibited in College public places. The possession of kegs and other large quantities of alcoholic beverages will only be allowed by special permission of the Chancellor. Any person who exhibits offensive behavior, misconduct, excessive noise or creates a public disturbance on property owned or supervised by the College will be subject to disciplinary and/or legal action. Students may refer to the “Student Rights and Responsibilities” section in this Catalog.

- **Alcoholics Anonymous**
  
  Individuals with alcohol problems may contact Alcoholics Anonymous. There is no charge for this service; just call for help 24 hours a day at the AA Hotline 376-4777. One of the Alcoholics Anonymous meeting halls is located in the Alano Club at 901 Snohomish, Wasilla or call 376-8669.

- **Drug and Alcohol Counseling Resources**
  
  Additional University information and policies, health risks, counseling resources, and State of Alaska laws and penalties pertaining to alcohol and other drugs can be found in the Drug Free Schools statement which is available at the UAA web site [www.uaa.alaska.edu/students/drugfreeschoolsreport.cfm](http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/students/drugfreeschoolsreport.cfm) or in hard copy from the UAA Office of Student Affairs, Campus Center 233, 3211 Providence Drive, Anchorage, Alaska, 99508.

  The National Institute on Drug Abuse Hotline (1-800-662-HELP) is an information and referral line that directs callers to treatment centers in the local community.

TOBACCO-FREE ENVIRONMENT

Smoking is not permitted in University facilities. All UAA facilities are covered by this policy (Anchorage, Kenai Peninsula College, Kodiak College, and Mat-Su College). Coverage includes facilities owned, leased, or rented by the University or under control of the University, as well as all University vehicles. Violation of the smoke-free environment policy by staff, faculty, or students is subject to disciplinary action. Campus buildings are posted with NO SMOKING signs, notifying all visitors of the smoke-free policy. When using tobacco outdoors on MSC property, remember to use it only in designated areas and to keep the campus clean.

SAFETY

We care about your safety on campus. While relatively safe, our campus is not a sanctuary from crime, and accidents still occur no matter how hard we try to prevent them. You are encouraged to be responsible for your own safety and to bring safety concerns to the attention of MSC faculty or staff, or to contact Campus Safety/Security at 745-9750 when you observe an unsafe environment. For your own safety, please also take the time to locate the nearest exits and emergency telephones when you are in campus buildings. For more safety information and the most recent campus crime report visit [http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/students/campussafety.cfm](http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/students/campussafety.cfm).

Regarding fire safety, if you hear the fire alarm, please exit the building and stay with your class group until the alarm stops. If you observe a criminal act or fire please call 911 immediately, and then call 745-9789.
WILDLIFE/ANIMALS ON CAMPUS
The campus of Matanuska-Susitna College is situated in a 950 acre wooded site. Wildlife is sometimes seen wandering on campus and on the Nature Trail. People must remember that wild animals are dangerous and unpredictable. Maintain a safe distance from all wildlife and notify MSC Security of their presence. Feeding and/or harassment of any wildlife is a violation of the University Student Code of Conduct and the state law.

Anyone wishing to bring a pet onto campus must first contact MSC Security. Pets are not permitted in any of the campus buildings without prior permission. Any animals outside of the buildings must be on a leash, in a cage, or under some form of restraint. Students experiencing disabilities need to contact Disability Support Services (DSS) for the approval process to bring service animals into classrooms.

PARKING/HANDICAP PARKING
Individuals experiencing disabilities will find designated parking spaces available on campus. These parking spaces display distinctive blue-and-white logos. The appropriate handicap permit issued by the State of Alaska Division of Motor Vehicles must be displayed to legally park in these designated spaces. All other motorists may be ticketed. Illegally parked vehicles may be impounded at owner expense.

LOST & FOUND
The college has a centralized lost and found area in Student Services in FSM 101.

CHILDREN ON CAMPUS
Children are not permitted in classes/labs offered to adults (except enrolled underage students) and may not be left unattended anywhere on campus including the library, hallways, cafeteria, and parking lots. This policy applies to students, staff and faculty members.

PHOTO & VIDEOTAPE POLICY
Matanuska-Susitna College takes photos and videotapes of students throughout the year. These photographs often include students in classrooms, study areas, library, lounge areas and at special events. MSC reserves the right to use these photographs as a part of its publicity and marketing efforts. Students who enroll at MSC do so with the understanding that these photographs might include them and might be used in College publications, both printed and electronic, and for publicity purposes.

STUDENT ID CARD
Student ID cards are processed in Student Services. Your first ID card is free. You will be asked for this card when using the MSC Student Computer Lab and when applying for a library card.

LIBRARY CARD
Library cards are available to all members of the public who are over the age of 16 who have a valid form of picture identification. Valid forms of identification include a driver's license, passport, or state-issued identification card. The library card must be presented when checking out material. Library card holders may have up to 25 items checked out at once. Library cards are suspended if more than $5.00 is owed. This includes fines generated at any library on the Joint Library Catalog. The first replacement card is $1.00 and all subsequent cards are $5.00. Please report lost or stolen cards immediately. Anything checked out is the student's responsibility. Library cards issued by the Alvin S. Okeson Library can be used at all University of Alaska Anchorage libraries, the Anchorage Public Library, the AMHA Museum Library, ARLIS, and the Valdez Consortium Library.

A library barcode is printed on the back of your MSC student ID card. Please give the Student Services staff your library card number if you already have one so that the correct number can be printed on your student ID card. If you cannot remember your library card number, a library staff member can look it up for you.
CHAPTER THREE
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RESIDENT TUITION ASSESSMENT
BOARD OF REGENTS' POLICY P05.10.025
A. For the purpose of tuition assessment under this chapter, a resident is a person who, at the end of the add/drop period for regular semester-length courses, is a United States citizen or eligible noncitizen who has been physically present in Alaska for two years and who declares the intention to remain in Alaska indefinitely. “Eligible non-citizen” shall have the same meaning as that term used in determining eligibility for federal student financial aid. Physical presence will be determined by criteria established in university regulation. Alternatively, a person who received or has been qualified by the State of Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend Division to receive an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend within the last 12 months, certifies they have been in Alaska for the past 12 months, and declares their intent to remain in Alaska indefinitely or meets other resident tuition eligibility requirements specified in regents’ policy will be eligible for resident tuition assessment. The MAU chief enrollment officer or designee will apply these rules to the facts in individual cases.

B. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A above, a student will be ineligible for resident tuition purposes unless exempted by P05.10.050 if:
   1. during the two years of claimed residency, the student was absent from Alaska for an aggregate of more than 120 days other than documented absences due to illness, or attendance at another educational institution while maintaining Alaska residency;
   2. during the prior two years, the student did any act inconsistent with Alaska residency such as claiming residency in another state or voting as a resident of another state;
   3. during the past two years, the student has registered as a resident in an educational institution in another state; or
   4. during the past two years, the student has paid tuition at the University of Alaska at the Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) program rate.

C. Notwithstanding provisions of this chapter, the residency of a student who first registered at the university, or was recruited based upon and was promised application of a former policy which was then in effect prior to the effective date of the adoption of this policy, shall be determined under the regents’ policy in effect at the time the student registered or received such promise from an authorized representative of the university, if that is to the student’s benefit.

NONRESIDENT TUITION SURCHARGE
BOARD OF REGENTS’ POLICY P05.10.050
Any person who does not qualify as an Alaska resident under P05.10.025, or has not otherwise been exempted under this chapter, will be assessed a nonresident tuition surcharge in addition to regular tuition. However, the following persons are exempted from nonresident tuition surcharges and treated as a resident for the purpose of tuition assessment if they are a U.S. citizen or an “eligible non-citizen:”
A. Active duty United States military and their spouse and dependent children;
B. United States veterans eligible for a Veterans Administration education benefit, and their spouse and dependent children.
Students qualifying under this exemption must move to and remain domiciled in the state of Alaska during their course of study;
C. Members of the National Guard, their spouses and dependent children, regardless of whether they yet qualify as residents of the state under any other requirements;
D. Dependent children of a person who graduated and holds an associate’s, bachelor’s, master’s or doctor’s degree from the University of Alaska;
E. Dependent children of an Alaska resident as evidenced by the most current federal income tax return filed within the past 16 months;
F. Students participating in the Western Interstate Commission on Higher Education (WICHE) Western Regional Graduate Program (WRGP);
G. Students enrolled for 4 or fewer credit hours within the UA system during a semester;
H. Students from other states or provinces whose public universities waive nonresident tuition surcharges for Alaska residents, as may be approved by the university president; a list of participating states or universities shall be published in university regulation;
I. Students from foreign cities and provinces that establish sister city or sister province relationships with the state of Alaska, or Alaska municipalities, and that have been approved by the president; a list of participating and approved communities shall be published in university regulation;
J. Students designated by the UA Scholars Program as UA Scholars;
K. Participants of the University of Alaska College Savings Plan who meet eligibility criteria as may be established by the Education Trust of Alaska.
L. Spouse or dependent children of a University of Alaska employee;
or
M. Students who graduated within the past 12 months from a qualified Alaska high school. “Qualified Alaska high school” shall have the same meaning used to determine eligibility for the UA Scholars Program.

EXCHANGE PROGRAM
Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE)
MSC/UAA participates in the WUE program of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) and other western states. Through WUE, certain students who are not Alaska residents may enroll in designated MSC/UAA programs. They pay resident tuition plus 50 percent of that amount (plus other fees that are paid by all students). WUE students do not pay the higher non-resident student tuition. Because MSC/UAA participates in WUE, residents of Alaska may enroll under the same terms in designated institutions and programs in other states. Information about WUE programs at UAA/MSC may be obtained from Student Services. Alaska residents
may obtain information about WUE programs in other states from either of the following two addresses:

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<th>WICHE Student Exchange Program</th>
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<td>3035 Center Green Dr., Ste 200 Boulder, CO 80301-2204</td>
<td>Commission on Postsecondary Education</td>
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<td>Phone: (303)541-0270 or (303)497-0210</td>
<td>3030 Vintage Blvd. - Juneau, AK 99800</td>
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<td>Web: <a href="http://wue.wiche.edu">http://wue.wiche.edu</a></td>
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TUITION
Tuition is determined by the number of credit hours enrolled, the level of the course, and the residency status of the student. The following fee schedule is for resident and non-resident tuition. All Mat-Su College fees are approved by the University of Alaska Board of Regents and are subject to change.

Preparatory and Lower-Division—Undergraduate (course numbers 050 - 299)
Resident $141.00 per credit hour
*Non-resident $471.00 per credit hour

Upper-Division—Undergraduate (course numbers 300 - 499)
Resident $159.00 per credit hour
*Non-Resident $489.00 per credit hour

Graduate (course numbers 600 - 699)
Resident $316.00 per credit hour
*Non-resident $646.00 per credit hour

See current semester Course Schedule for tuition updates.

* A non-resident student is assessed non-resident fees on all academic credits including self-support classes.
* A non-resident student who restricts his/her enrollment to no more than four (4) credits each semester is charged resident tuition. Any credits beyond the four credit limit will cause all credits to be assessed at the non-resident tuition rate.

FEES
In addition to tuition, any course may use materials, supplies or services which necessitate an additional fee. Fees may also be charged for administrative and/or instructional services. All resident and non-resident tuition rates and student activity fees are approved by the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska. The University of Alaska reserves the right to change tuition rates or fees at any time. Fees are charges students must pay either in addition to or in place of tuition.

Administrative Fee
An administrative fee is a fee charged instead of tuition. There may be other fees assessed for the course such as lab or material fees in addition to the administrative fee.

Administrative Test Fee / Registration Fee
A $20 administrative test/registration fee for proctoring will be charged for each DSST/DANTES or CLEP exam given.

Application for Admission Fee
A non-refundable $40 fee will be charged for each undergraduate Application for Admission submitted.

Assessment Test Fee (COMPASS)
A $10 assessment testing fee will be charged for each testing session.

Audit
A student auditing courses pays the same tuition and fees as a student registering for credit.

Career Exploration Test Fee
A $10 testing fee will be charged for each testing session for non-students.

Computer Lab Fee
A $25 fee is charged each semester for a student (registered in any discipline) who wishes to use the MSC computer lab. A student is required to pay a computer lab and supply fee to cover supplies and staffing. A student will be required to display his/her appropriately marked MSC I.D. card when using the computer lab.

Continuing Education Unit (CEU) Fee
It is charged per Continuing Education Unit instead of tuition. The fee varies.

Credit-By-Exam Fee
A non-refundable $40 per credit fee is charged to challenge a course.

Distance Education Fee
A Distance Education fee is charged for each distance education course. The fee varies.

Graduation Application Fee
A non-refundable $20 fee must be submitted with each Application for Graduation.
TUITION, FEES, AND FINANCIAL AID

Laboratory, Material, Special, and Other Fees – note: Lab, Matl, & Other was combined with Special / UAA
A fee is sometimes charged in addition to tuition. The semester Course Schedule identifies courses for which fees are charged and their purposes: lab fee, special fee, or materials fee. Fee amounts vary and may be added at any time. Special fees are assessed to pay for travel, equipment, or facilities out of the ordinary. The typical fees listed normally cover College charges for course registration. Some courses, however, have extraordinary expenses associated with them, and in such cases the College may charge additional fees in amounts that approximate the added instructional or laboratory costs. If other costs are required for the course, they will be listed in the semester Course Schedule.

Language Credit-by-Placement Fee
$20 per course. An accepted, degree-seeking UAA student who has completed in residence a Department of Languages UAA catalog course with a grade of B or better is eligible to receive credit for the two immediately preceding language courses.

Late Payment Fee
A $125 fee will be assessed on all accounts which are not paid by the payment deadline. A $175 fee will be assessed on all accounts which are not paid by the withdrawal deadline. Students who pay for or drop their courses prior to the published payment deadline will NOT be required to pay the fee.

Learning Resource Center (LRC) Fee
A $5 fee is charged each semester for use of the Learning Center facilities.

Library Card
The first card is free. A $5 fee is charged for a replacement.

Network Charge (2%)
The network charge covers rapidly rising costs, especially in the maintenance and enhancement of the university-wide infrastructure. The two (2) percent network charge will be applied on a course-by-course basis to tuition, non-resident surcharges if applicable, and fees in lieu of tuition, for credit and non-credit courses. Courses with applicable fees in lieu of tuition less than the lower division credit hour tuition rate will be exempt from the charge. All calculated fees will be rounded to the nearest dollar. The minimum network charge per course will be $3.

Non-Credit Course
Non-credit courses are numbered 001-049. These courses do not meet degree requirements and may have fees other than regular tuition. Such fees are listed in the semester Course Schedule as special fees.

Non-sufficient Funds (NSF) Fee
A $30 fee is charged for each NSF check received by the college.

Practicum Insurance Fee
A $6 fee is charged for each practicum course. For example, HUMS A495.

Process/Administration Fee
A fee charged by MSC to process course credit in lieu of tuition. There may be other fees assessed for the course such as lab or material fees in addition to the administrative fee. There is usually an additional fee the student pays directly to the instructor.

Proctor Fee
A $20 processing fee (per testing session) is charged for proctoring any test from an institution outside of the University of Alaska. The fee is capped at $60 per semester for students who have a series of tests.

Self Support Fee
A fee charged for a course that is funded entirely through the revenues collected when students register for that specific course. Costs vary by course and may include salaries, supplies, advertising, facilities, and travel. Separate refund policy applies.

Stop Payment Fee
An $18.50 fee is charged for all checks reissued due to a stop payment request by the student.

Student Activity Fee
An activity fee of $10 is assessed to a student enrolling for 6 or more credits and $5 for 3-5 credits each semester to support student-related activities. The fee is waived for senior citizens.

Student I.D.
Your first ID card is free and a $5 fee is charged for replacement. Student ID cards are available in Student Services.

Technology Fee
A fee to provide up-to-date equipment, software, maintenance, training, and support for student use. $5 per credit hour to a maximum of $60 per campus.

Tech Prep Course Fee
A non-refundable per credit fee is charged for Tech Prep courses approved through articulation. $25 per credit.

Transcript Fee
A per copy fee is charged for routine or rush processing and must be paid in advance. Unofficial transcripts are available at MSC Student Services or online at no charge.

All fees are subject to change. Please refer to the current semester Course Schedule.
FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS
Mat-Su College/UAA reserves the right to withhold final grades, transcripts, or diplomas from a student who has not fulfilled all financial obligations to the institution. Permission to register will be denied for adding or auditing courses, or a student’s current registration may be cancelled. A student is held financially responsible for all courses for which they register. A student must take the initiative to officially drop a course prior to published deadlines to avoid financial penalties. Interest, late fees, or collection costs will be added to a student’s account. Past due accounts will be sent to a collection agency and reported to the credit bureau. MSC/UAA is authorized to garnish State of Alaska PFDs for payment of past due accounts under Alaska Statutes 14.40.251 and 43.23.073.

An electronic bill will be generated for you on the 15th of each month and made available via UAOnline. An email reminder will be sent to your UA assigned email address each time the bill is generated; a paper bill will not be mailed. A link on the UAOnline Statement and Payment History page will take you to the page where you can pay with a credit card or electronic check. To view your electronic bill, go to UAOnline and choose Student from the main menu, then Student Account, then Statement and Payment History. Please refer to Chapter 4, Student Freedoms, Rights, and Responsibilities for more details.

PAYMENT PROCEDURES
All tuition, fees, and other charges for the semester must be paid by the applicable deadline or at the time of registration. Payment may be made in cash, by check, by Visa or MasterCard. A student requiring a payment plan may enroll with Tuition Management Systems (1-800-722-4867).

Tuition and fee charges may be audited, corrected, and adjusted before the end of the current semester. A student is notified of adjustments by mail. No refunds are issued for $5.00 or less. MSC reserves the right to change its tuition or fees at any time.

REFUND POLICY
Refund processing is automatic for a student who officially drops courses or withdraws from the College by the refund deadlines published in the current Course Schedule. A student is responsible for thoroughly reading the Course Schedule and being aware of the published refund deadlines for their particular classes. The date of official drop or withdrawal activity determines eligibility for a refund.

A student who drops or withdraws or is administratively dropped or withdrawn from courses as a result of College/University disciplinary action forfeits all rights to any refund.

If there is a refund due to the student and the tuition was paid by credit card online the credit card account will be credited. If the tuition was paid by credit card in the MSC Campus Cache a refund check will be mailed to the student’s address of record. If tuition was paid by cash or check, a refund check will be mailed to the student’s address of record. Refunds will not be issued for amounts of less than $5. An $18.50 fee is charged for all checks reissued due to a stop payment request by the student.

A student with an outstanding balance will have his/her refund applied towards his/her account balance first (this includes the TMS payment plan). All refunds are processed by the Office of Administrative Services according to the following policies. This process can take from 4 to 6 weeks.

CANCELLED CLASSES
If MSC cancels a class, a student may add another class of equal cost at no additional tuition charge. If a replacement class is not added, a 100% refund of tuition and course fees is automatically processed.

WITHDRAWAL FROM CLASSES
No tuition refund or exchange will be allowed for withdrawal after the drop deadline.

NON-CREDIT, CEU, AND SELF-SUPPORT CLASSES
100% of all tuition charged is refunded if the student officially drops at least two (2) business days before the first class begins. There is no refund after this time.

REGULAR TUITION, CREDIT COURSES (full semester)
1. 100% of both tuition and course fees is automatically refunded when official drop/withdrawal activity is completed prior to the end of the 7th calendar day of the semester.
2. 50% of tuition only is automatically refunded when official drop/withdrawal activity is completed between the eighth through the twelfth calendar days of the semester. Course/Student fees are not refunded on or after the eighth calendar day of the semester.
3. No refund is issued for a drop/withdrawal made on or after the thirteenth calendar day of the semester.
4. Refund deadlines for less-than-semester-length classes are prorated.

Please refer to the current semester’s Course Schedule for additional information.

REFUND POLICY COMPLAINT PROCEDURES
If a student has a complaint concerning a refund that cannot be resolved informally, he/she may obtain a Petition for Refund form from Student Services.
PETITION FOR EXCEPTION TO UNIVERSITY POLICY ON REFUND OF TUITION AND FEES

A student, or person with legal authority to act on behalf of a student, may petition for an exception to University policy on refunds of tuition and fees. Petitions are not automatically granted but will be considered in light of the criteria set out below and individual circumstances as demonstrated in the documentation provided:

1. The petitioner must submit to the Exception to University Policy Committee a signed petition and consent to release of information form, which is provided for this purpose. The form must be submitted to an academic counselor in Student Services or the Campus Cache, P.O. Box 2889, Palmer, Alaska 99645.

   • A petition for exception must be received no later than the last day of the semester following the semester or session in which the course was offered. Petitions that are not received within this time frame may not be considered. For example:
     - Fall course - no later than the end of the following Spring semester
     - Spring course - no later than the end of the following Fall semester
     - Summer course - no later than the end of the following Fall semester

2. At the time the petition is filed the student must already have dropped or withdrawn from the course(s) involved. Refunds will not be considered for courses in which a student is still registered, or for which a grade exists, i.e., F, I, DF, AU.

3. Written documentation from instructors, physicians, or other appropriate persons verifying and supporting the request must accompany the petition. It is the responsibility of the student or a person authorized to act on behalf of the student to submit supporting documentation along with the petition. Petitions submitted without documentation may be returned and not considered.

4. A petition will only be approved if the petitioner can demonstrate unanticipated and unavoidable circumstances beyond the student’s control that arose after the withdrawal deadlines in MSC’s published schedule and that caused the student to drop the course(s).

5. Work related issues, financial hardship, and failure to read MSC’s published documents generally do not present justifiable reasons to support a refund request.

6. Petitions for refunds for self-support classes are generally not allowed and must have approval of the Director.

7. Mandatory Student Fees are not refundable, unless a student drops all courses during the 100% refund period.

8. If the petition for refund is approved, refunds will be issued to the original funding source, e.g., credit card (if paid online, refund will be applied to your credit card account, if paid at MSC Campus Cache a refund check will be issued), financial aid, granting agency, lending agency, etc.

9. Petitions will be reviewed periodically and the number of petitions being reviewed will determine the time for response. A minimum of 6-8 weeks should be allowed for review.

10. Appeals of an adverse decision of the Committee must be in writing, must state the basis for the appeal, and must be received by the College Director within ten working days of the day the decision is mailed or otherwise distributed to the student. Appeals will be reviewed by the MSC College Director, whose decision is final within the College. Appeals may be faxed, delivered in person or mailed to: College Director, P.O. Box 2889, Palmer, Alaska 99645 or faxed to: (907) 745-9769.

11. If a petitioner wishes to seek judicial review of the College Director’s final decision, the appeal must be filed with the Superior Court of the State of Alaska within 30 days of the date the final decision is mailed or otherwise distributed to the petitioner, in accordance with Alaska Appellate Rule 602(a)(2).

Complaints about dissatisfaction with academic courses, methods of course delivery or instructor performance are not considered under this process. Depending on the nature of the complaint, these matters are considered according to the Student Dispute/Complaint Resolution Process or the Academic Dispute Resolution Procedure, which can be found in the UAA Fact Finder student handbook at www.uaa.alaska.edu/studentaffairs/Fact-Finder.cfm.

SENIOR CITIZEN TUITION WAIVER

Regular tuition shall be waived for Alaska residents who are otherwise age eligible to receive full social security retirement benefits, and who register on a space available basis; that is, when courses can accommodate such students in addition to other enrolled students.

The UA Board of Regents action of September 21, 2005, included a provision that grandfathered in all Alaska residents who were age 60 years or older on or before September 21, 2005. These individuals (i.e. Alaska Residents born on or before September 21, 1945) remain eligible for the Senior Citizen Tuition Waiver. Use of the waiver is governed accordingly:

1. Senior citizens must pay all additional course fees. To waive tuition, senior citizens must register and present a completed tuition waiver with proof of age during the add/drop period. Tuition waiver forms are available at Student Services, the Campus Cache, and the college website: www.matsu.alaska.edu/students/forms.htm.

2. Registration using a senior citizen tuition waiver for payment is permitted only during the add/drop period and must be completed by the add deadline.

3. Senior citizens may elect to register before the add/drop period; however, they must pay full tuition and fees (use of senior citizen tuition waiver will not be accepted). Senior citizens electing to register and pay tuition are subject to all payment deadlines. Refunds will NOT be available to senior citizens who drop courses and then re-register in the same courses using a tuition waiver during the add/drop period.

4. The Student Activity Fee is waived for senior citizens.

Note: Senior citizen tuition waivers will not be available during the summer semester.

More information on the Senior Citizen Tuition Waiver is available at www.alaska.edu/studentservices/sctw/index.xml
FINANCIAL AID
http://www.matsu.alaska.edu/students/financialAid/
The Financial Aid Office assists students and prospective students in applying for state and federal aid programs. State and Federal governments, the University, and many private organizations offer grants, scholarships, loans, and employment opportunities to students who demonstrate need for such assistance. Each student's financial situation is carefully assessed, taking into consideration family size, assets, income, and estimated costs of attending college. Types and amount of financial aid vary according to state and federal guidelines, student need, and availability of funds.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES
Interested students should contact the Financial Aid Office for information. Students should have a completed application submitted at least three months prior to the semester for which they are applying. Additional requirements may be requested. Specific procedures are as follows:
1. New students must apply for admission as a degree-seeking student through MSC or UAA. Admission deadlines may apply and may differ by campus. Students who were admitted previously and have had a break in attendance may be eligible to update rather than reapply for admission.
2. All interested students must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and submit the application to the Department of Education. List MSC/UAA’s Title IV code on the FAFSA – 011462. You will find the application at www.fafsa.ed.gov. The FAFSA is an annual application and must be resubmitted each academic year.
3. Students who wish to apply for a specific scholarship may complete special applications available at UAAOnline.
4. Students who wish to apply for Bureau of Indian Affairs grants or scholarships should contact the BIA or their Native Regional Corporation for applications. Be sure to contact village corporations, tribal and traditional councils as well to find additional funds.

ELIGIBILITY
To be considered for financial aid, a student must:
1. Have a high school diploma, GED, or Ability to Benefit.
2. Apply for admission and be accepted with no conditions.
3. Demonstrate financial need for federal assistance as determined by the federal Student Aid Report (SAR).
4. Meet satisfactory academic progress as defined by Student Financial Aid regulations. The policy is available online at: www.uaa.alaska.edu/financialaid/policies.cfm.

FEDERAL VERIFICATION
The U.S. Department of Education selects approximately 30% of financial aid applications for the verification process. The Financial Aid Office verifies information on selected applications prior to students receiving financial aid awards. Copies of the following documents may be requested:
1. Income tax returns
2. Verification of household size
3. Child support payments
4. Statements of untaxed income
5. Verification of number of family members in college
6. If military, copies of Leave/Earning Statements for the previous tax year (all 12 months).

Students selected for verification must submit the requested documents if applying for federal financial aid. If documentation is not received, federal financial aid cannot be awarded.

SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS POLICY FOR FINANCIAL AID
In order to receive financial aid from any of the federal aid programs, the State of Alaska loan programs, or from institutional funds, a student must be fully admitted to an eligible degree or certificate program. In addition, the student must maintain satisfactory academic progress toward his/her educational goal. A complete copy of the Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy may be obtained online at: www.uaa.alaska.edu/financialaid/policies.cfm.

FINANCIAL AID APPEAL POLICY
Students who wish to appeal for reinstatement of their financial aid must provide sufficient evidence to support their assertion that unusual circumstances prevented them from maintaining satisfactory academic progress. Please see the guidelines for the financial aid appeal policy online at: www.uaa.alaska.edu/financialaid/policies.cfm.

RETURN OF FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID POLICY
The Higher Education Amendments of 1998 changed the formula for calculating the amount of aid a student and school can retain when the student totally withdraws from all classes. Students who withdraw from all classes prior to completing more than 60% of an enrollment term will have their eligibility for aid recalculated based on the percent of the term completed. For example, a student who totally withdraws after completing only 30% of the term will have "earned" only 30% of any Title IV aid received. The school and/or the student must return the remaining 70%. The Financial Aid Office encourages students to read this policy carefully. Students thinking about withdrawing from all classes PRIOR to completing 60% of the semester, you should contact the Financial Aid Office to see how the withdrawal will affect their financial aid. www.uaa.alaska.edu/financialaid/policies.cfm.
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TYPES OF FINANCIAL AID

GRANTS
Grants are financial aid awards which do not need to be repaid as long as the student meets academic progress requirements of the granting agency.

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS (BIA)
http://www.doi.gov/bia/
The Bureau of Indian Affairs makes grants available to eligible full-time students. Applicants must be at least one-quarter Alaska Native or American Indian. For more information, contact the local BIA area office or your Native village or regional corporation, tribal and traditional councils.

FEDERAL PELL GRANT
The Federal Pell Grant makes funds available to eligible students with financial need. To be eligible for a Pell Grant, a student must be working toward their first baccalaureate degree.

FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY GRANT (SEOG)
The Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant program is similar to the Pell Grant program and can provide additional assistance to students with financial need and who received a Pell. Only undergraduates working towards their first baccalaureate degree are eligible.

LOANS
Unlike grants or scholarships, loans must be repaid. In most cases, repayment begins six months after the student finishes his/her studies or ceases being at least a half-time student (6 credits).

FEDERAL FAMILY EDUCATION LOAN PROGRAM (FFELP)
A. Federal Stafford Loan Program
The Stafford Loan program enables a student to borrow directly from lending institutions after they have qualified by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Any undergraduate or graduate student enrolled at least half-time may apply for a Stafford Student Loan. This is a separate application process. The Financial Aid Office has information for students’ consideration.

1. Federal Subsidized Stafford Student Loan
Dependent and independent students who have qualified using the FAFSA and determined to have need according to the federal methodology can borrow up to:
- $3,500 as a first year undergraduate student.
- $4,500 as a second year undergraduate student.
- $5,500 as a third, fourth and fifth year undergraduate student in a baccalaureate degree.
- $8,500 as a graduate student.

The aggregate subsidized loan amount for undergraduate study is $23,000; the aggregate subsidized loan amount for graduate study is $65,500 minus any amount previously borrowed for undergraduate study.

The subsidized Stafford Loan means the federal government pays the interest while the student is attending post-secondary education at least half-time and for six months after graduation or after the student has left their post-secondary educational experience.

2. Federal Unsubsidized Stafford Student Loan
This loan is considered a non-need based loan. A student is responsible for paying the interest on this loan immediately from the time the unsubsidized loan is disbursed. Independent freshmen and sophomore undergraduate students can borrow up to $6,000 annually in addition to the amount borrowed on the subsidized Stafford. Independent juniors and seniors can borrow up to the limits of the subsidized loan and up to $7,000 annually in addition to the amount borrowed on the subsidized loan. Graduate students can borrow up to $12,000 annually in addition to the amount they are eligible for on the subsidized loan. Undergraduate dependent students can borrow up to $31,000 (no more than $23,000 can be subsidized). Undergraduate independent student can borrow up to $57,500 (no more than $23,000 can be subsidized.) Graduate students can borrow up to a maximum of $138,500 on the unsubsidized loan program, including the amount borrowed as an undergraduate student.

B. Federal Parent’s Loans for Undergraduate Student (PLUS)
A parent can borrow for his/her dependent student’s educational costs. A parent can borrow up to the cost of education attendance minus any other financial aid for which the student is eligible. MSC/UAA requires a student to submit the FAFSA to determine eligibility of their parents’ PLUS loan. The interest on the PLUS loan begins to incur with the parental signature on the promissory note. Payments usually begin 60 days after the loan is fully disbursed.
SCHOLARSHIPS
A Mat-Su College student has access to a variety of scholarship opportunities including UA Foundation Scholarships, UAA Scholarships, MSC Scholarships, the UA Scholars Program, and scholarships offered through private organizations, civic groups and native or village corporations, tribal or traditional councils. Recipients are usually selected for academic achievement, talent, community or civic involvement, leadership, and volunteerism. A student interested in applying for scholarships may stop by the Financial Aid Office in FSM 102 to view scholarship listings and obtain applications or visit the website: http://www.matsu.alaska.edu/students/financialAid/scholarships.htm.

Since specific requirements, application procedures, and deadlines vary; a student should begin locating scholarships in January preceding fall registration and continue taking advantage of opportunities throughout the year.

- UAA website: www.uaa.alaska.edu/scholarships
- UA Scholars Program website: www.alaska.edu/scholars

Mat-Su College Scholarships:
The Snodgrass Scholarship is a UA Foundation award set up specifically for Mat-Su College students pursuing Associate of Applied Science degrees. Qualifications include formal admittance to any Mat-Su College A.A.S. degree program, a minimum of 20 credits earned by the time the award is given, and a class rank in the top third of his/her class (usually a 3.0 GPA).

The purpose of the Molly Ann Mishler Memorial Scholarship is to offer financial assistance for tuition and other educational expenses to students who are enrolled in Early Childhood Development courses at Matanuska-Susitna College. Applicants must be at least part-time students at UAA/MSC with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0. Applicants must be enrolled in Early Childhood Development courses or have already completed 6 credits in ECD courses. Preference will be given to those applicants formally admitted into the Early Childhood Development program.

The purpose of the Dr. Betty J. Boyd-Beu & Edwin G. Beu, Jr. Scholarship is to offer financial assistance for tuition and other educational expenses to non-traditional students who are seeking degree completion or retraining at Mat-Su College. Applicants must be formally admitted part-time students. Applicants must be non-traditional students and should have graduated high school at least two years prior to applying for the scholarship. Applicants must have worked prior to enrolling or returning to college, thereby re-entering college to complete a degree or enrolling to re-train for another position in the workplace.

The purpose of the Dr. Ping-Tung Chang Scholarship is to provide financial assistance for tuition and other educational expenses to full-time students currently enrolled in any degree program at the University of Alaska Anchorage or Mat-Su College.

Guy A. Woodings Scholarship
A UA Foundation award. Applicants must be majoring in Natural Resource Management and be one of the following in order of preference: 1) a Mat-Su Borough resident attending Mat-Su College; 2) a Mat-Su Borough resident attending any UA campus; 3) a resident of Alaska attending a campus of the UA system. Applicants must have been enrolled for at least 2 years pursuing a 4-year degree with preference given to students having an emphasis on Planning and Land Use within the field of Natural Resource Management. Note: Applicants must submit an essay discussing how they envision the growth and development of the state over the next five years and what part they envision themselves playing in that growth and development.

Mike Ardaw Scholarship
Applicants for this UA Foundation scholarship must be full-time students and have a minimum GPA of 2.5. Preference will be given to students studying the Sciences, Education or Engineering. Preference will be given to students who have been Alaska residents for at least one year and are from the Nancy Lake area (Palmer, Wasilla, Big Lake) and share Mike Ardaw’s love of country. Students should visit the UA Foundation website for additional scholarship opportunities offered by the UA Foundation. Deadline is February 15 of each year.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

FEDERAL WORK-STUDY PROGRAM
The Financial Aid Office awards Work-Study to eligible students. It is based on financial need, which is calculated from the information provided on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The student accepts work-study by securing a job on campus. A student must be enrolled in at least six credits and may work up to twenty (20) hours per week during the semester. Wages depend on the job responsibilities and the student’s qualifications.

MSC STUDENT EMPLOYMENT
For information on student positions, please access the Mat-Su College Employment Opportunities bulletin board located near the Copy Center in JKB. You can also research online through the university recruitment website at: www.uakjobs.com. The postings will indicate the eligibility criteria for student employment and preference is given to students who are work study eligible. Student employment will not exceed 20 hours per week during a semester.
Applicants needing reasonable accommodations to participate in the application or interview process should contact Human
Resource Services at (907) 745-9725 or stop by Administrative Services in JKB 106.

A student may not participate in co-curricular activities or student employment if his/her cumulative GPA falls below 2.0 (C). A student is advised to keep his/her participation in activities outside the classroom within limits that will allow him/her to achieve satisfactory academic performance.

VETERANS ASSISTANCE

http://www.matsu.alaska.edu/students/veteranAssistance.htm

Matanuska-Susitna College is approved to provide education and training to veterans, service members, and eligible dependents of veterans whose death or permanent and total disability is service connected. Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) benefits approved for MSC include the new G.I. Bill, the Montgomery G.I. Bill, Veterans Educational Assistance Program, Dependents Educational Assistance Program, Reserve Educational Assistance Program, and Vocational Rehabilitation. A qualified person who plans to use the Department of Veterans Affairs Educational benefits must contact the MSC Financial Aid Officer (located in Student Services FSM 102), preferably 60 to 90 days before the term begins, for necessary forms and current benefit information.

Students using DVA educational benefits must apply for admission to a degree or certificate program at MSC/UAA. In accordance with federal regulations, MSC/UAA must report this information to the VA, along with information regarding students’ enrollment, grades, and academic progress.

Adds, Drops, and Other Changes

A veteran student must inform the MSC Financial Aid Officer whenever he/she adds or drops courses, withdraws from the College, changes address or dependents, or makes other status changes. A student who drops or withdraws may be required to reimburse the DVA.

Admission to MSC

All veteran students receiving DVA educational benefits must be officially admitted to a degree program. Contact Student Services in FSM 102 for information on requirements.

Certification of Enrollment

New veteran students must submit a Request for Certification of Enrollment after registering for classes. Contact Student Services in FSM 102 for assistance.

Satisfactory Academic Progress

A veteran student must maintain satisfactory academic progress according to University policy while he/she is receiving benefits. Failure to do so is reported to the DVA and may end educational benefits.

Transcripts From Previous Colleges or Universities

A veteran student with previous college or university experience must have official transcripts on file with the College. Each student must request these transcripts from each previous institution when applying for admission to MSC. The DVA may withhold benefits until this requirement is satisfied.

For further information, please call (907)745-9762. VA students may access a toll-free telephone number: 1-888-GI-BILL-1 (or 1-888-442-4551). This number gives education claimants access, 24-hours a day, 7 days a week, to an automated system that provides a wide range of information about education benefits and specific information about individual student benefits accounts. Or visit www.gibill.va.gov for more information.
CHAPTER FOUR
Student Rights & Responsibilities

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STUDENT FREEDOMS, RIGHTS, AND RESPONSIBILITIES
The role of Matanuska-Susitna College is to encourage people of all ages to develop their skills and talents differently, according to individual abilities and interests, so that collectively they contribute to the continuum of democracy. University policies, procedures, and regulations are formulated to guarantee each student’s freedom to learn and to protect the rights of others.

The concept of rights and freedoms, no matter how basic or widely accepted, carries with it corresponding responsibilities. Students, as well as other members of the college community, enjoy the same constitutional and civil rights guaranteed all citizens. At the same time, they are subject to the laws of the nation, the State of Alaska, and the local community. All members of the college community have a responsibility to protect and maintain an academic climate in which the freedom to learn can be enjoyed by all. To this end, certain basic regulations and policies have been developed to govern the behavior of students as members of the college community.

Violations of Student Code of Conduct regulations are handled through the Director’s Office. Violations of federal, state, and/or local laws make a student subject to civil or criminal action in addition to disciplinary action by the College. Each student is responsible for knowing the MSC/UAAC policies, procedures and deadlines. These policies and regulations may be found in the MSC Catalog, the UAA Catalog, or the UAA Student Handbook. Students may also obtain a copy of University of Alaska Board of Regents Policies and University Regulations online at: www.alaska.edu/bor.

Freedom of Expression
The rights of free speech and peaceful assembly are fundamental to the democratic process. Matanuska-Susitna College supports the rights of students of the college community to express their views and opinions on actions or ideas, to associate freely with others, and to assemble peaceably.

Whether expressing themselves as individuals or in organized groups, members of the college community are expected to conduct themselves responsibly, according to law, and to respect the basic educational goals of the College. Accordingly, the University of Alaska insists that free expression not violate the rights of others. Disruption of the educational processes and functions of the College, or violation of law, would constitute such a violation.

Freedom of Access
Within the limits of its resources, Matanuska-Susitna College shall be open to all applicants who are qualified according to current enrollment and admission requirements. The College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, veteran status, physical or mental disability, marital status, pregnancy, or parenthood in any of its policies, practices, or procedures. This includes, but is not limited to, admissions, employment, financial aid, and educational services, programs, and activities.

Freedom of Association
Students are free to associate to promote their common interests. They have the right to seek, through official procedures, establishment of organizations, so long as they are not in conflict with the educational purposes of the College. Students have the right to affiliate with officially registered campus organizations of their choice, within the membership requirements of those organizations.

Freedom from Unreasonable Search / Seizure
Students shall be free from unreasonable search and/or seizure regarding their person and their personal property. If a situation should occur in which a student is interviewed and/or arrested by University police officers, that student has the right to remain silent, the right to be free of coercion, and the right to be advised of these rights.

Student Participation in Institutional Government
Students shall be free, individually and collectively, to express their views on issues of institutional policy and on matters of general interest to the student body. The student body shall have clearly defined means to participate in the formulation and application of institutional policy affecting academic and student affairs.

University Student Educational Records Policy (FERPA)
The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974, as amended, was designated to protect the privacy of education records, to establish the right of students to inspect and review their education records, and to provide guidelines for the correction of inaccurate or misleading data through informal and formal hearings. FERPA affords students certain rights with respect to their education records. They are:

1. The right to inspect and review the student’s education records within 45 days of the day the school receives a request for access. Students should submit a written (letter or fax) request to Student Services that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. Student Services will make arrangements for access and notify the student of the time and place where records may be inspected. If the records are not maintained by Student Services, Student Services designated staff will refer the student to the appropriate personnel or office to access the record.

2. The right to request the amendment of a record that they believe is inaccurate or misleading. Students may ask the College to amend the student’s education records if he/she believes they are inaccurate or misleading. If the University decides not to amend the record as requested by the student, the University will notify the student of the decision and advise the student of his or her right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. If the University denies the amendment request after the hearing, the student is given the right to insert a statement in the education record.

3. The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student’s education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. UAA/MSC may release, without consent, certain
directory information. No one outside the University shall have access to, nor will the University disclose any other information from a student’s educational record, without the written consent of the student, except to University officials with legitimate educational interests, to officials of other institutions in which a student seeks to enroll, to persons in compliance with a judicial order, and to persons in an emergency in order to protect the health or safety of the student or other persons, or as otherwise permitted under FERPA.

A University official with legitimate educational interests is a person employed by the University as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or administrative staff member; a person or company with whom the institution has contracted to perform a special task (such as an auditor or attorney); a member of the Board of Regents; a governmental entity or any other entity with which a student is placed as part of his or her education; or a student serving on an official committee (such as a judicial or academic review committee or scholarship committee), or assisting another University official in performing his or her tasks. A University official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibilities.

The following information is designated as directory information and may be released to the public by UAA/MSC:

- Names of students
- Dates of attendance at UAA/MSC
- Program of study
- Degrees and certificates received including dates
- Participation in officially recognized University activities
- Academic and co-curricular awards, honors, and scholarships received and dates received
- Weight and height of students in athletic teams
- Students’ electronic mail addresses
- Hometown, city, and state

In addition, UAA/MSC is required by federal law (The Solomon Amendment) to provide student directory information (name, address, telephone listing, date and place of birth, level of education, academic major, degrees received, the educational institution in which the student most recently was enrolled) to United States Military Recruiting and Reserve Officer Training Corps personnel upon their request unless the student has submitted a non-disclosure request according to UAA/MSC procedures.

A student may inform Student Services that he/she does not give permission for the University to release his/her directory information. A written and signed request made by the student to not release his/her directory information must be given to the Registrar within two weeks of the start of the academic term. The requests for non-disclosure are valid until a subsequent written request to release directory information is received.

A student has the right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the University to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the office that administers FERPA is:

Family Policy Compliance Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202-3920

A complete copy of the University procedures on the application of FERPA, including procedures for challenging the content of one’s records, is available at UAA Enrollment Services. Links to the University of Alaska Board of Regents’ Policy and University Regulation (09.04.00) regarding education records are on the web site: www.alaska.edu/bor/policy/policy.xml.

ACADEMIC RIGHTS OF STUDENTS
Matanuska-Susitna College has the responsibility of providing a program of high quality education in keeping with its financial resources. Students have protection through campus-specific procedures against arbitrary or capricious academic evaluation. Student performance shall be evaluated solely on an academic basis, not on opinions or conduct in matters unrelated to academic standards. Students are responsible for the proper completion of their academic program, for familiarity with all requirements of the MSC Catalog, and for maintaining an acceptable grade point average for degree requirements. Students have the right to be informed at the beginning of each term of the nature of the course, course expectations, evaluation standards, and the grading system.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY
Academic integrity is a basic principle which requires that students only take credit for ideas and efforts that are their own. Cheating, plagiarism, and other forms of academic dishonesty are defined as the submission of materials in assignments, exams, or other academic work that is based on sources prohibited by the faculty member. Substantial portions of academic work that a student has submitted for a course may not be resubmitted for credit in another course without the knowledge and advance permission of the instructor. Academic dishonesty is further defined below in the Student Code of Conduct. In addition to any adverse academic action, which may result from engaging in academically dishonest behavior, the University specifically reserves the right to address and sanction the conduct involved through the Student Judicial Review Procedures outlined in the UAA Fact Finder/Student Handbook. Disputes regarding academic actions are reviewed under the Academic Dispute Resolution Procedure contained in the UAA Fact Finder/Student Handbook.
STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

As with all members of the college community, the College requires students to conduct themselves honestly and responsibly, and to respect the rights of others. Conduct that unreasonably interferes with the learning environment or that violates the rights of others is prohibited by the standards and guidelines collectively described as the Student Code of Conduct (the Code). Students and student organizations will be responsible for ensuring that they and their guests comply with the Code while on property owned or controlled by the College or at activities authorized by the College.

Violations of the Code which occur on property owned or controlled by the College, or at activities authorized by the College, are subject to College/University judicial review and disciplinary action by the College/University. Student behavior which, were it to occur on property owned or controlled by the College or at activities authorized by the College, would constitute a Code violation is subject to disciplinary sanction when the College determines that the behavior would likely have an adverse impact on the health or safety of members of the College community, regardless of where the behavior occurs.

Students who are charged with violations of local, state, or federal laws may be subject to disciplinary action by the College if the offenses are also violations of the Code. College judicial procedures and disciplinary actions are independent of and may precede, follow, or take place simultaneously with criminal proceedings. College actions will not be subject to challenge on the grounds that criminal charges involving the same incident have been dismissed or reduced.

A student who has been charged with a violation of the Code and refuses to participate in the judicial process, or who fails to complete disciplinary sanctions as assigned by the University, may be prohibited from re-enrolling in the College/University until the charges or disciplinary sanctions are resolved to the satisfaction of the College/University.

Disciplinary action may be initiated by the College and disciplinary sanctions imposed against any student or student organization found responsible for committing, attempting to commit, or intentionally assisting in the commission of any of the following categories of conduct prohibited by the Code.

The examples provided in this section of actions constituting forms of conduct prohibited by the Code are not intended to define prohibited conduct in exhaustive terms, but rather to set forth examples to serve as guidelines for acceptable and unacceptable behavior.

1. Cheating, Plagiarism, or Other Forms of Academic Dishonesty:
   a. using material sources not authorized by the faculty member during an examination or assignment;
   b. utilizing devices that are not authorized by the faculty member during an examination or assignment;
   c. providing assistance to another student or receiving assistance from another student during an examination or assignment in a manner not authorized by the faculty member;
   d. presenting as their own the ideas or works of another person without proper acknowledgment of sources;
   e. knowingly permitting their works to be submitted by another person without the faculty member’s permission;
   f. acting as a substitute or utilizing a substitute in any examination or assignment;
   g. fabricating data in support of laboratory or field work;
   h. possessing, buying, selling, obtaining, or using a copy of any material intended to be used as an instrument of examination or in an assignment in advance of its administration;
   i. altering grade records of their own or another student’s work; or
   j. offering a monetary payment or other remuneration in exchange for a grade.

2. Forgery, Falsification, Alteration, or Misuse of Documents, Funds or Property:
   a. forgery, falsification, or alteration of records or deliberate misrepresentation of facts on College/University forms and documents or to any College/University official or before a College/University judicial hearing board;
   b. misuse or unauthorized use of College/University identification cards, keys, funds, property, equipment, supplies or resources;
   c. falsely representing oneself as an agent of the College/University, incurring debts or entering into contracts on behalf of the College/University; or
   d. trespassing or unauthorized entry into, unauthorized presence on, or use of property which is owned or controlled by the College/University.

3. Damage or Destruction of Property:
   a. damage or destruction to property owned or controlled by the College/University; or
   b. damage or destruction of property not owned or controlled by the College/University if the action constitutes a violation of the Code, e.g. the action occurred during an event authorized by the College/University; the student was a representative of the College/University, such as an athlete, and the action occurred while traveling to or from an event authorized by the College/University; or the property not owned or controlled by the College/University was located on College/University property.

4. Theft of Property or Services:
   a. theft or unauthorized possession or removal of College/University property or the property of any College/University member or guest that is located on property owned or controlled by the College/University; or
   b. theft or unauthorized use of College/University services or unauthorized presence at College/University activities without appropriate payment for admission.

5. Harassment:
   a. physical or verbal abuse;
   b. sexual harassment;
   c. intimidation; or
d. other conduct, including hazing, which unreasonably interferes with or creates a hostile or offensive learning, living, or working environment.

6. Endangerment, Assault, or Infliction of Physical Harm:
   a. physical assault;
   b. sexual misconduct and assault;
   c. terrorist threats;
   d. hazing, coercion, or other activity that endangers or threatens the health or safety of any person, including oneself; or
   e. conduct which causes personal injury.

7. Disruptive or Obstructive Actions:
   a. obstructing or disrupting teaching, research, administration, disciplinary proceedings, or other activities authorized by the College/University;
   b. interfering with the freedom of movement of any member or guest of the College/University to enter, use or leave any College/University facility, service or activity; or
   c. taunting or physically harassing wildlife or otherwise creating an unsafe or hazardous environment involving wildlife on property owned or controlled by the College/University.

8. Misuse of Firearms, Explosives, Weapons, Dangerous Devices, or Dangerous Chemicals:
   a. Unauthorized use, possession, or sale of these items on property owned or controlled by the College/University, except as expressly permitted by law, Regents' Policy, College/University Regulation, or UAA rules and procedures.

9. Failure to Comply with College/University Directives:
   a. failure to comply with the directions of law enforcement officers or College/University officials acting in the performance of their duties;
   b. failure to identify oneself to College/University officials when requested; or
   c. failure to comply with disciplinary sanctions imposed by the College/University.

10. Misuse of Alcohol or Other Intoxicants or Drugs:
    a. use, possession, manufacture, distribution, or being under the influence of alcoholic beverages on property owned or controlled by the College/University or at activities authorized by the College/University, except as expressly permitted by law, Regents' Policy, College/University Regulation, or UAA rules and procedures; or
    b. use, possession, manufacture, distribution, or being under the influence of any narcotic, controlled substance, or intoxicant on property owned or controlled by the College/University or at activities authorized by the College/University, except as expressly permitted by law, Regents' Policy, College/University Regulation, or UAA rules and procedures.

11. Violation of Regents' Policy, College/University Regulation, or UAA rules and procedures.

12. Any Other Actions That Result in Unreasonable Interference with the Learning Environment or the Rights of Others.

UNIVERSITY STUDENT JUDICIAL REVIEW AND PROCEDURE
A judicial procedure is a review undertaken by the College to establish whether there is substantial information to determine whether it is more likely than not that a student violated the Code. A complete copy of the University Student Judicial Review Procedures can be found in the UAA Fact Finder/Student Handbook. www.uaa.alaska.edu/studentaffairs/Fact-Finder.cfm

SEX OFFENSE POLICY
It is the policy of MSC/UAA that the sexual assault of one member of the academic community by another will not be tolerated. This policy applies to all members of the campus community, students, faculty, and staff. A complete copy of the Sex Offense Policy can be found in the UAA Fact Finder/Student Handbook. www.uaa.alaska.edu/studentaffairs/Fact-Finder.cfm

STUDENT DISPUTE/COMPLAINT RESOLUTION PROCESS
MSC students have a variety of procedures available to them to process complaints or disputes about actions or inaction by members of the College community that adversely affect them. The process used will depend on the nature of the complaint. A complete copy of the Student Dispute/Complaint Resolution Process can be found in the UAA Fact Finder/Student Handbook. www.uaa.alaska.edu/studentaffairs/Fact-Finder.cfm

ACADEMIC DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCEDURE
Challenges to academic decisions or actions of the faculty or academic administration will be reviewed according to the procedure that implements the UA Board of Regents Policy 09.03.02 and its University Regulation on Resolution of Disputes Regarding Academic Decisions or Actions. Appropriate issues for the procedure include such things as considerations of alleged grading error or arbitrary and capricious grading for a final grade assignment. Grades assigned prior to the final grade received in a course are not subject to review under this procedure. Only the course instructor or an academic decision review committee may authorize a change in the assignment of a final grade. A complete copy of the Academic Dispute Resolution Procedure can be found in the UAA Fact Finder/Student Handbook. www.uaa.alaska.edu/studentaffairs/Fact-Finder.cfm
COMMUNICATIONS VIA E-MAIL
MSC/UAA now uses e-mail and the MyUA web portal to communicate with students on many important matters. The University automatically assigns each student an official UAA e-mail account at the time of admission to the University for certificate/degree seeking students and at the time of registration for all other students. Students are responsible for knowing and, when appropriate, acting on the contents of all university communications sent to their official UAA e-mail accounts. To receive University communication at a different e-mail address, students may forward e-mail from their assigned UAA accounts to any valid third party e-mail address of their choice that accepts forwarded email. Go to UAA’s Identity Manager (http://username.uaa.alaska.edu), log in and set your forwarding e-mail address under the “Change Other Account Attributes” link. Contact the UAA IT Call Center for assistance by telephone at (907) 786-4646 or Toll Free (877) 633-3888 or by e-mail at callcenter@uaa.alaska.edu if you need assistance.

COMPUTER USE AND SOFTWARE COPYRIGHT POLICY
All faculty, staff, and students who use any computer at the College/University are responsible for using computer resources in an ethical and legal manner. For detailed information see the Acceptable Use Policy on the UAA ITS website at: http://technology.uaa.alaska.edu

COPYRIGHT AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY
The University of Alaska provides a network and computing infrastructure to promote the basic missions of the University in learning, research, and service by facilitating communication, collaboration, and access to information resources. Users of this infrastructure must be mindful of and respect ownership of intellectual property and copyrighted information to which this infrastructure can provide access.

Copyright and intellectual property rights may attach to files of any media type including software, texts, databases, images, video, music, and other audio files. Abuse of computing or network technologies to copy or distribute materials in violation of copyright, license, or intellectual property rights undermines the free exchange of ideas and access to information resources central to the University’s mission and is expressly forbidden by university policy and regulation.

The University of Alaska aggressively investigates specific claims of such abuse including abuses using personally owned computers connected to the University’s network. Verified abuses may lead to immediate suspension of access to University networks and/or computing resources, subject violators to possible University disciplinary actions, and expose them to fines, other civil penalties, and criminal prosecution by copyright owners. http://info.alaska.edu/active/level2/copyright.html
CHAPTER FIVE
Advising & Academic Support

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ACADEMIC ADVISING
Each student is encouraged to meet with an academic counselor prior to registration to discuss educational goals, placement scores, and course prerequisites for appropriate course selection. Appropriate course placement is an essential component of academic success. Academic counselors can guide the student on University policies and procedures and on general and degree requirements.

Academic counselors can usually be seen either by appointment or on a walk-in basis. For further information, phone 745-9762 or stop by Student Services/Advising & Assessment in FSM 102.

CAREER SERVICES
Career exploration, job readiness skills, and internship placement services are available to Mat-Su College students by meeting with a career development coordinator in Student Services. Various assessments, interest inventories, and career exploration resources are available. The career development coordinator strives to enrich students’ learning experiences by helping students gain insight to their interests, personality type, and skills, and increasing their knowledge about occupations and employment trends. Contact Student Services at 745-9762 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES (DSS)
At MSC, providing equal opportunities for students who experience disabilities is a campus-wide responsibility and commitment. The campus Disability Support Services (DSS) specialist is housed in the Student Services department, FSM 102. Accommodations are made within the ADA guidelines and academic requirements of each class. They are based on current documentation in conjunction with the student’s individual needs. Early contact with the DSS specialist helps to secure a positive educational experience.

To access support services, a student first contacts DSS and provides current disability documentation which supports the requested services. Services include American Sign Language interpreters, note-taking assistance, textbooks in alternate formats, testing accommodations, and access to adaptive computer technology.

If you experience a disability and would like information on support services, please contact Student Services/DSS IN FSM 102 or call 745-9762 (voice) or 745-9751 (TTY) or e-mail at: info@matsu.alaska.edu.

EARLY ALERT
Early Alert provides a safety net for students who may experience academic difficulty early in the semester. Faculty are asked to review progress beginning in the third week of the semester and notify students who are falling behind due to performance or attendance issues. Faculty may refer students to Student Services for further contact or academic counseling. Students are notified of the referral and encouraged to take positive steps toward improving their academic performance. Additional information about Early Alert is available in Student Services, FSM 102.

INFO SESSIONS
http://www.matsu.alaska.edu/students/prospectiveStudents/prospectiveStudentSessions.htm
Mat-Su College offers free sessions for prospective students who are interested in attending college. Info Sessions help guide students through the admission, registration, and financial aid process and are offered throughout the year. Call 745-9762 for information on dates and times.

THE LEARNING CENTER (TLC)
http://www.matsu.alaska.edu/campusResources/theLearningCenter.htm
The Elizabeth J. Fallon Learning Center (TLC), located in the Okeson Library Building, room 121, offers testing services as well as tutorial services for students enrolled in MSC classes.

LIBRARY
http://www.matsu.alaska.edu/campusResources/library/
The Alvin S. Okeson Library, located in the Okeson Library Building, contains more than 45,000 books, 80 periodicals, 1,500 videos and 3,000 non-print items. Electronic collections include access to over 180 databases and 3,000 periodicals. The Okeson Library shares a catalog with all of the University of Alaska Anchorage libraries, the Anchorage Municipal Libraries, Valdez Public Library, ARLIS, and the Anchorage Museum. Patrons may search and borrow material from these locations as well. Students may also request material from libraries around the world through interlibrary loan.

The library houses two group study rooms, a computer lab, dedicated computers for students who experience disabilities, and the college’s collection of audio/visual equipment. For current hours and additional information, call 745-9740.
NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION
http://www.matsu.alaska.edu/students/prospectiveStudents/newStudentOrientation.htm
The New Student Orientation Program hosts organized, purposeful, and positive introduction sessions for all new Matanuska-Susitna College students and their parents to help them become familiar with services and programs vital to their successful transition as full and active members of the MSC community. Partnering collaboratively with other college offices and departments, these sessions are designed to help students gain the skills, information and meaningful relationships important to successful long term academic and personal outcomes.

Mat-Su College’s New Student Orientation program is an opportunity to get your questions answered and get started navigating the logistics associated with starting college or transferring from one school to another.

All students are highly encouraged to attend New Student Orientation. It is your first step towards a successful college career. Take advantage of this experience where you will meet other new students and develop new friendships. New Student Orientation takes place prior to the beginning of the fall and spring semesters. Call 745-9762 for more information.

TESTING
Assessment: A student registering for English and/or math for the first time must take an assessment test, or have appropriate SAT or ACT scores. These tests measure competency in math, reading, and/or written composition and enable an academic counselor to determine the appropriate entry level of instruction. Individual departments and disciplines may require additional testing or assessment. There is a fee charged for the assessment testing. A receipt and a photo ID must be presented at time of testing.

Make up test: Students needing to take make-up tests for Mat-Su College classes may do so in the Learning Center. Prior arrangement must be made with the instructor. Appointments are required for testing.

Test Proctoring: Testing services, including proctoring of correspondence, distance education, CLEP, DSST and other exams, are also available. There is no fee for proctoring courses taken at any University of Alaska campus. A fee will be charged for exams from any college or organization not within the University of Alaska system. Fees vary according to the type of test. Testing services require an appointment.

TUTORING
Math Tutors are available to provide individual assistance to students enrolled in math, statistics or other classes requiring math skills such as chemistry, or physics. Writing Tutors offer individual tutoring for all English, Preparatory English, and in writing for all other disciplines. A schedule of hours showing tutor availability is posted in the Learning Center and on various campus bulletin boards during the first week of each semester.

The Learning Center offers computers with internet access and a variety of learning materials for student use. Rosetta-Stone, a computerized, self-tutoring, interactive, language software program is also available in French, Spanish, and Russian. Personal headsets with microphones are required to use the Rosetta-Stone software.

Throughout the semester, tLC may offer workshops on various subjects to help students with specific math, writing or study skills topics. Notices of the workshops are posted throughout the campus. A one-time fee of $5 per semester is assessed for use of the Learning Center tutoring services. These fees are attached to Preparatory courses, 100 and 200 level composition courses, 100 and 200 level math courses, and some 100 and 200 level social science classes.
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Academic Standards & Regulations

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ADMISSIONS

All students intending to register for one or more courses must apply for admission. Applications for admission are available online at http://www.matsu.alaska.edu/students/admissions/ or from Student Services.

Mat-Su College offers the following admission options for students:

- Occupational Endorsements provide specialized knowledge and skills needed in specific employment sectors.
- Certificate and associate’s degree programs emphasize technical or job-related skills in demand in the workplace and/or can be used as preparation for a bachelor program.
- General interest and non-degree-seeking options offer students the opportunity to take classes for either personal or professional interests.

GENERAL ADMISSION INFORMATION

This chapter covers university admission requirements that apply to all undergraduate certificate, degree, and non-degree-seeking students. See Chapter 8, “Undergraduate Programs” for specific program requirements.

HOME SCHOOL APPLICANTS

High school transcripts will be accepted from applicants attending home schools registered with the State of Alaska or affiliated with a diploma-granting educational organization whose accreditation is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. Applications for admission for other home school graduates will be reviewed if the home school graduate:

- Takes the “ability to benefit” test offered at a UAA campus testing center; or
- Takes and submits a score for the General Educational Development (GED) Test; or
- Achieves and submits an official SAT combined score (reading/verbal and math) of 1210 or an ACT composite score of 27; or
- Submits to the Director of Student Services (or campus designee) an official SAT or ACT test score, home school transcripts, a three-page essay on post-secondary educational goals, and a letter requesting admission to a specific certificate or degree program.

TRANSCRIPTS AND TEST SCORES

Associate or baccalaureate degree-seeking students, and students seeking undergraduate certificates of 30 credits or more must submit transcripts (and in some cases test scores) documenting their academic history and readiness for the desired level of study. Students seeking Occupational Endorsement Certificates and non-degree-seeking students are not required to submit transcripts or test scores except as required for placement in certain courses or programs.

All required transcripts and test scores must be official documents submitted directly from the issuing high school, college, university, or testing agency to Student Services. Students may hand carry documents only if they are in original sealed envelopes from issuing institutions. The University cannot accept student copies of transcripts or test scores.

Transcripts from private high schools are recognized in the same manner as transcripts from state supported high schools. Transcripts are acceptable only if the school is accredited through a regional accrediting agency, affiliated with an accredited high school or registered with the state. Otherwise, the student must go through the Ability to Benefit process for admission or the Home School applicant process.

Certificate and degree-seeking students who have attended institutions outside the United States or Canada may be required to submit an official statement of educational equivalency from a recommended international credentials evaluation service. A list of evaluation services may be obtained from Student Services. Fees depend upon the agency performing the evaluation. The evaluation service will require a separate transcript and copy of the English translation. Students are expected to provide records in English for transfer credit evaluation.

All transcripts, test scores, and other supporting documents submitted for admission or transfer credit evaluation become the property of the University and are only released or copied for use within the University of Alaska system. They cannot be reissued, copied, or returned to the student.

A student may consult the following websites for more information on obtaining transcripts.

- Department of Education: Directories for State of Alaska Schools: www.eed.state.ak.us/Alaska_Schools/public
- High School Transcripts: Use an Internet search engine such as Google to find your school on the Web.
- GED Transcripts: www.acenet.edu/AM
- Transcripts from other colleges: www.collegenet.com

ABILITY TO BENEFIT

Certificate and degree-seeking students who are at least 18 years old but have not earned a high school diploma, GED, or at least 60 college-level semester credits, must demonstrate his/her ability to benefit from higher education by achieving federally determined scores on an approved test administered by the Learning Center.

After taking the exam, students must meet with an academic counselor to review the test results and determine an appropriate entry level of instruction. The academic counselor must sign and return the Ability to Benefit form to Student Services before admission can be completed. Interested individuals should contact Student Services to make an appointment.
ADVISING REQUIREMENTS
All students should meet with a faculty or academic counselor prior to each semester’s registration. Advising helps students clarify their goals, make suitable course selections, and understand academic expectations. Some students may be required to meet with an advisor prior to registration. (See Chapter 5, “Advising and Academic Support,” for further information on advising.)

UNIVERSITY ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS
Mat-Su College admission leads to occupational endorsement certificates, undergraduate certificates, or associate’s degrees.

ADMISSION TO OCCUPATIONAL ENDORSEMENT CERTIFICATES
To qualify for admission to an occupational endorsement certificate program a student must either:
1. Have earned a high school diploma, GED, or at least 60 college-level semester credits; or
2. Be 18 years of age or older and have participated in MSC’s Ability to Benefit process as described in this chapter.

Some Occupational Endorsement programs have additional admission requirements, selective admission criteria or limited space. (See Chapter 8, “Undergraduate Programs,” for specific information.)

Occupational Endorsement Certificate-seeking students must submit an MSC application for admission indicating their intended educational program and their level of academic preparation. Additional admission requirements will depend on the intended program.

ADMISSION TO UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE AND ASSOCIATE’S DEGREE PROGRAMS
To qualify for admission to certificate or associate’s degree programs a student must either:
1. Have earned a high school diploma, GED, or at least 60 college-level semester credits; or
2. Be 18 years of age or older and have participated in MSC’s Ability to Benefit process as described in this chapter.

Some associate degree programs have additional admission requirements, selective admission criteria or limited space. (See Chapter 8, “Undergraduate Programs,” for specific information.)

FRESHERMEN (Students with Fewer than 30 College-Level Semester Credits)
Students still attending high school must submit a partial transcript at the time of application. A final transcript or official GED scores confirming the graduation date may be required for some programs.

Students who previously attended regionally accredited colleges or universities (including those outside of the United States) are required to submit official final transcripts from those institutions. (Exception: Students do not need to request transcripts from any University of Alaska campus.)

TRANSFER STUDENTS (Undergraduates with at Least 30 College-level Semester Credits)
Undergraduate degree-seeking applicants with 30 or more college-level semester credits must submit official transcripts from all regionally accredited colleges and universities and all institutions attended outside the United States. (Exception: Students do not need to request transcripts from any University of Alaska campus.)

Students who wish to transfer college-level course work from institutions outside the United States or Canada must submit official transcripts and English translations as well as an official statement of educational equivalency from a recommended international credentials evaluation service. A list of evaluation services may be obtained from Student Services. Fees depend upon the agency performing the evaluation. The evaluation service will require a separate transcript and copy of the English translation.

INTERNATIONAL UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS
International students who intend to reside in the U.S. for the purpose of pursuing a certificate or degree as F-1 visa students and need a Form I-20 Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant F-1 Student Status must meet University and degree program admission requirements and submit the following:
1. An official TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language), or IELTS (International English Language Testing System) scores. See the UAA website for minimum required scores.
2. A statement of financial support for the anticipated period of study and evidence of availability of funds such as a bank statement.
3. English translations of all required documents.

International students in F-1 visa status must be formally admitted, full-time degree-seeking students. Health insurance is also mandatory. Contact the International Advisor at the UAA Office of Admissions (907-786-1573) for information or contact MSC Student Services at 745-9746.
RELATED UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION POLICIES

CATALOG YEAR
A student who wishes to earn an undergraduate certificate or degree must meet the requirements specified in the catalog in effect at the time of admission to the certificate or degree program, or the catalog in effect at the time of graduation. A certificate and associate’s student has five (5) years to complete his/her certificate or degree requirements under the terms of the catalog in effect at the time of admission.

A student’s catalog year is established when the student is first admitted into a certificate or degree program as a major or pre-major. A student’s catalog year is adjusted if the student formally postpones admission (see Postponed Admission) or executes a change of major (See Change of Major or Degree).

CHANGE OF MAJOR OR DEGREE
Once formally admitted and in attendance, a student may request a change of major or degree program to another program at the same level (i.e. associate/certificate to associate/certificate, or baccalaureate to baccalaureate) through the Change of Major/Degree process. A student admitted initially in undeclared or pre-major status may also declare a major or degree program through this process. A student must meet the specific admission requirements of the desired program. No fee is required with a change of major or degree at the same level.

A student who changes his/her major or degree program must meet the catalog requirements in effect at the time of the change or the catalog in effect at the time of graduation. Exception: A student who changes from pre-major to full major must meet the catalog requirements in effect at the time of initial admission to the pre-major or the catalog in effect at the time of graduation.

CHANGE OF ADMISSION LEVEL
To change from a certificate/associate program to a baccalaureate program a student must reapply for admission and meet all the requirements for the new admission level.

To change from a baccalaureate level program to a certificate/associate level program, a student must complete and submit a Change of Major form as described above. Changes from baccalaureate to certificate/associate programs will be processed for the next available term. This type of Change of Major will also cancel out the previous active bachelor’s program. If a student later decides to complete a bachelor’s program, he or she will need to reapply for admission to a bachelor’s program and pay applicable admission fees.

CONCURRENT DEGREES
A student may pursue concurrent degrees as long as he/she has formally applied and been accepted to each program through Student Services. (See Chapter 8, “Undergraduate Programs,” for further information.)

PRE-MAJORS OR UNDECLARED
Students applying to programs with selective admission criteria or limited space may initially be admitted to a pre-major or undeclared status. Admission to pre-major or undeclared status does not guarantee subsequent admission to the major. Students are advised to contact their program advisor at the earliest opportunity for further information about the program’s special requirements and for guidance in selecting appropriate preparatory classes.

Students admitted to pre-major status must satisfy all requirements for formal admission to the major and then complete the Change of Major process. Such changes will not affect a student’s degree requirements or catalog year.

TRANSFER EVALUATIONS
Transfer evaluations will be completed for all undergraduate degree-seeking students who have attended other regionally accredited colleges and universities. Once the student has been admitted to a degree program, transcripts will be evaluated. Only transcripts from regionally accredited institutions declared at the time of admission are considered for transfer evaluation.

A student may view most courses that have been previously evaluated by UAA by visiting the transfer credit web site at www.uaonline.alaska.edu. For more information see Transfer Credits in this chapter.

APPLICATION AND ADMISSION STATUS FOR UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE AND DEGREE-SEEKING STUDENTS:
Applications must be submitted prior to the application deadline and all necessary documents must be submitted prior to the end of the semester in order to be admitted. Applications for a particular semester received after the application deadline will be moved to the following semester.

Students attending MSC but applying to a degree program conferred through the Anchorage campus are welcome to attend either campus as degree-seeking students but are subject to UAA application deadlines.

International students must apply by the application deadline in effect at the Anchorage campus in order to be admitted and attend MSC.
All admission applications still incomplete at the end of the semester will be withdrawn (see definitions listed below).

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**TERMS AND DEFINITIONS**

**APPLICATION STATUS**

**Incomplete Application**
An incomplete application is one that is not accompanied by all required documents or admission fee; generally, an application is considered incomplete until all required official transcripts and test scores have been received.

**Departmental Review**
An application flagged for departmental review is one awaiting departmental recommendation for admission.

**Postponed Application**
Students who have not yet attended since applying for admission may postpone their application by notifying the Student Services. Students who attend the semester for which they applied but do not complete the application process until a subsequent semester will be admitted to the semester for which they originally applied. Please note: This may impact a student’s eligibility to receive financial aid.

**Withdrawn Before Admission**
Students must complete or postpone their admission by the end of the semester for which they have applied. At the end of each semester, applications that are still incomplete and not postponed may be withdrawn (inactivated). Students whose applications have been withdrawn must reapply for admission if they later choose to attend MSC.

**ADMISSION STATUS**

**Complete Admission**
All required documents have been received and all admission standards met. This includes attending the semester for which the student is admitted.

**Incomplete Admission**
In-progress transcripts have been received, but final high school or college transcripts are still missing. All admissions still incomplete at the end of the semester will be withdrawn (inactivated). Please note: financial aid will not be released on an incomplete admission.

**Provisional Admission**
Admission requirements have been met, but the student still needs to complete one or more department-specified provisions.

**Postponed Admission**
Students may postpone their admission for up to one (1) year by notifying Student Services prior to the end of the semester for which they originally applied. Students may not postpone their admission if they attend during the semester for which they applied.

**Withdrawn After Admission**
Admission will be withdrawn (inactivated) when students do not attend classes during, or postpone their admission by the end of, their admission semester. To reactivate an application that has been withdrawn, a student may submit a Postponement Request form within one year or reapply for admission.

**Returning Students – No Attendance outside the UA System**
Undergraduate certificate and degree-seeking students who have had a break in their MSC/UAA attendance but have not attended another institution outside the UA system and who wish to retain their original admission Catalog may update their admission status. Individual departments reserve the right to refuse students readmission to their programs.

**Returning Students – With Attendance outside the UA System**
Undergraduate certificate and degree-seeking students who attend another institution outside the University of Alaska system following their MSC admission must reapply for admission unless one or more of the following criteria have been met:
- Prior department approval via petition to take classes at another institution(s).
- Enrollment at outside institution was concurrent with MSC enrollment.
- Enrollment at outside institution occurred during summer semester.
- Enrollment was in correspondence courses.
- Student participated in a National or International Student Exchange.
- Student is participating in the Servicemembers Opportunity Colleges (SOC)-approved military programs.
- Outside institution was unaccredited at time of attendance.
- Outside institution was Community College of the Air Force or Excelsior (formerly Regents) College.
GENERAL INTEREST AND NON-DEGREE-SEEKING OPTIONS
A student who wishes to take classes for general interest or personal/professional development and who does not wish to earn a certificate or degree from MSC may apply for admission as a non-degree-seeking student.

A non-degree-seeking student may take courses for which they have the prerequisite skills and experience. They are not required to submit transcripts or test scores for admission, but still must meet placement requirements and prerequisites for individual courses. Students with little or no previous college experience are strongly encouraged to complete an approved placement test and meet with an academic counselor to determine appropriate entry levels of instruction. A student who wishes to register for graduate courses must have the Department Chair’s or faculty member’s signature, and are strongly advised to contact the department at the earliest opportunity.

To qualify for non-degree-seeking admission, a student must meet one of the following requirements:
1. Have earned a high school diploma or GED; or
2. Be at least 18 years of age; or
3. Have completed MSC’s Secondary School Student Enrollment process as described in this chapter.

Admission as a non-degree-seeking student does not guarantee future admission to a certificate or degree program. Credits earned as a non-degree-seeking student may be applied to certificate or degree programs only as specified in admission to the individual programs.

A non-degree-seeking student does not qualify for federal or state financial aid benefits, nor do they qualify to receive a Form I-20 Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant (F-1) Student Status.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, NON-DEGREE-SEEKING
A non-degree-seeking student does not qualify to receive a Form I-20 Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant (F-1) Student Status. Those with certain other types of visas including B-1 or B-2 visitor visas, F-2 visas and those on the visa waiver program are prohibited from studying in a full course of study. Contact Student Services for further details.

SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS
A secondary school student is under the age of 18 and in the 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grade and has not yet already earned his/her high school diploma or completed a GED. For more information see the Secondary School Student Enrollment Policy as described in this chapter.

RELATED NON-DEGREE-SEEKING ADMISSION POLICIES
TRANSFER CREDITS
Non-degree-seeking students are not eligible to have transfer credits evaluated. Transferring credit is an option for certificate and degree-seeking students only. A student who wishes to get an unofficial estimation of how his/her credits might transfer may visit the University of Alaska’s Transfer Credit Resource Site at www.uaonline.alaska.edu.

CHANGE OF MAJOR OR DEGREE
No majors or degrees are offered in the general interest and non-degree-seeking options. A student initially admitted as non-degree-seeking who later decides to pursue MSC certificates or degrees must submit a new application and all required documents and meet admission requirements for the corresponding degree program and level.

ACADEMIC PLANNING
Proper academic planning allows a student to complete his/her chosen course, program, or degree successfully and efficiently. A student is advised to consider his/her personal circumstances (e.g., job schedules, financial aid, family situations, childcare) as well as short (1-2 semesters), medium (1-2 years), and long-term educational goals when planning their academic programs. The MSC Student Services office offers general academic advising as well as orientations and special workshops for all MSC students.

Each academic program has clearly defined student outcomes that describe the knowledge, skills, and capabilities that students acquire in the program.

PROGRAM SELECTION
A student’s selection of a program of study is usually based upon academic interests, career objectives, and personal goals. MSC offers many programs at the certificate and 2-year levels. While all programs have differences, students generally must complete:
• Admission Requirements, which are set by the individual program. For example, a program may require prior course work, specific entrance exam scores, or particular job-related competencies.
• General University Requirements (GURs), General Education Requirements (GERs), and College Requirements, which establish policies that must be followed but which allow students to select from a restricted offering of courses.
• Specific Program Requirements, which vary according to the program. Programs may also call for specific GUR, GER, or prerequisite courses to fulfill specific program needs. The program may also be divided into two or more categories, often as follows:
• Core Courses that are required of every student in the program.
• **Program selective courses** (sometimes called options, tracks, concentrations, emphases, or specialties) that allow students to pursue their own interests within the program
• **Elective Courses**, which can be taken from a number of departments (depending upon the program) to fill the remaining credits in the degree or program. Additionally, in a number of programs, students also have the option to complete a minor field of study.

Because requirements vary greatly among certificate and degree programs, a student is strongly encouraged to meet with an academic counselor prior to entering a program or declaring a major, both to ensure that they understand the program requirements prior to registering for classes and to enable proper academic planning.

**COURSE SELECTION**

Proper course selection is essential to the efficient completion of a program and must take into account the specific requirements for the major, the offerings available each year, the timing of offerings within each semester, and the order in which courses must be completed.

After a student has met with an academic counselor and developed an academic plan detailing which courses they must take for their program and the order in which they must be taken based upon the program requirements, a student is prepared to select their courses each semester and to plan for coming semesters.

While general academic advising is available through Student Services, the planning, selection, registration, and completion of courses, programs, and degrees are ultimately the responsibility of the student.

**REGISTRATION**

Students may attend classes in a course offered at MSC/UAA only after they have properly completed the registration process for that course. They register either in person, via proxy, or via UAOnline. (See Registration later in this chapter for details and deadlines). Students select courses that meet their educational needs and that fit into their semester schedule. Registration in multiple sections of the same course is not allowed. MSC/UAA reserves the right to drop/withdraw a student from any or ALL sections for which they have multiple registrations. This administrative drop may be done at any time without prior or subsequent notice to the student.

**COURSE PLACEMENT**

Appropriate course placement is an essential component of academic success. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with academic advisors prior to registration to discuss educational goals, placement scores, and course prerequisites for appropriate course selection.

If registering for the first time in English or mathematics courses, students must show evidence of appropriate placement. For English and mathematics course placement purposes, ACT and SAT are valid for two years from the date taken. COMPASS test scores are valid for one year from the date taken. Students may be required to provide proof of their placement scores on the first day of class. Refer to this Catalog and the Course Schedule for specific course prerequisites.

English, mathematics, and reading placement tests are administered through the Learning Center. Call 745-9772 for information on testing appointments and how to access student guides with sample questions.

**English Course Placement – COMPASS Scores**

| e-Write 4-5 and Reading 50+ | PRPE A080 |
| e-Write 6-7 and Reading 62+ | PRPE A086 |
| e-Write 8-9 and Reading 75+ | PRPE A108 or ENGL A109 |
| e-Write 10-12 and Reading 75+ | ENGL A111 |

**English Course Placement – ACT & SAT Scores**

English (ENGL), English-as-a-Second Language (ESL), and Preparatory English (PRPE) courses require appropriate placement scores for course registration. Test scores reflect national norms and are subject to change. Students who have not earned appropriate scores on the ACT English or SAT Critical Reading tests are required to take the COMPASS English placement test prior to registering in an English or Preparatory English courses (see course description for requirements). A student who has earned an appropriate ACT English or SAT Critical Reading score is eligible to register in the following English courses:

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<th>ACT (English) Score</th>
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<td>22-29</td>
<td>530-619</td>
<td>ENGL A111</td>
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<tr>
<td>30+</td>
<td>620+</td>
<td>ENGL A211 *</td>
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* If a student has earned 30+ on the ACT English test or 620+ on the SAT Critical Reading test, ENGL A111 is waived as a prerequisite to higher-level composition courses. With the appropriate score, a student may register directly in ENGL A211, A212, A213 or A214. A student choosing this option is required to choose an additional three credits from the General Education Requirements (GER) Written Communications Skills list, for a total of six credits.

Math Course Placement – COMPASS Scores
Pre-Algebra
0 - 24 see academic counselor
25 - 39 MATH A054
40 - 100 MATH A055
Algebra
0 - 22 MATH A054
23 - 45 MATH A055
46 - 65 MATH A105
66 - 100 MATH A107 or STAT A252
College Algebra
0 - 45 MATH A105
46 - 65 MATH A107 or STAT A252
66 - 100 MATH A108
Geometry
0 - 39 see academic counselor
40 - 64 see academic counselor
65 - 100 see academic counselor
Trigonometry
0 - 45 MATH A107
46 - 65 MATH A108
66 - 100 MATH A200

Mathematics Course Placement – ACT & SAT Scores
A student who has completed the course prerequisites is eligible to enroll in Math courses. A student who has not completed the course prerequisites but has completed courses with similar content and has earned an appropriate ACT or SAT score is eligible to register in the following Math courses:

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<td>= 18</td>
<td>400-479</td>
<td>MATH A055</td>
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<td>480-519</td>
<td>MATH A105</td>
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<td>22-25</td>
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<td>MATH A107</td>
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<td>26+**</td>
<td>590+ **</td>
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** Must also take a trigonometry or precalculus course before registering in MATH A200.

CONTACT HOURS
MSC/UAA academic policy has established the following minimum contact times. Most lecture/discussion courses require a minimum of 750 minutes of contact time and a minimum of 1,500 minutes of course related work completed outside the classroom to award one (1) credit. Some courses require more than 750 minutes of contact time and more than 1,500 minutes of course related work completed outside the classroom.

- One contact hour is defined as 50 minutes of contact time.
- Courses may not be offered for more than one credit each week.
- One (1) Continuing Education Unit (CEU) may be granted for satisfactory completion of 10 contact hours of classroom instruction or for 20 contact hours of laboratory or clinical instruction.
- Alternative learning modes are subject to the instructional objectives and outcomes of comparable, traditionally taught courses, but contact hour standards may differ.

Contact hours are expressed in the course descriptions of individual courses by the expression “x + y” where x equals the course’s lecture contact hours per week and y equals the course’s lab contact hours per week. Contact hours are calculated based on a fifteen week semester. All courses must meet for 15x + 15y regardless of the number of weeks in which the course is offered.

COURSE NUMBERING SYSTEM
Each course offered by the University is defined by the department designator, a campus designator, and a three-digit course number. The designator commonly abbreviates the name of the discipline or department (for example, ENGL for English). In general, the first numeral of the three-digit course number indicates the year in which the course is ordinarily taken. For example, ENGL A111 is ordinarily taken by first-year students, and ENGL A313 is taken by third-year students. Course numbers are preceded by an A for all UAA campuses and extended sites.

Advances in course level (lower, upper, and graduate) correlate with sophistication of academic work. It should be noted that some students find introductory courses more demanding than advanced, specialized courses. In such courses, a more comprehensive approach and the first exposure to new ways of thinking may be harder for some individuals than covering a smaller, more familiar, area in much greater detail.
The following definitions describe the types of courses that can be expected at each level:

NON-CREDIT COURSES
A001-A099: Non-credit courses. Offered as career development, continuing education or community interest instruction. Not applicable to any degree or certificate requirements (even by petition). They have no regular tuition fees but do have other special fees.

AC001-AC099: Continuing Education Unit (CEU) courses: CEUs are awarded upon completion of a course of study that is intended for career development or personal enrichment. CEU courses may not be used in degree or certificate programs or be converted to academic credit. The number of CEUs awarded is related to the amount of time required to master the material presented, with one CEU typically awarded for 10 hours of active participation in a directed learning environment with an instructor available, or for 20 hours of laboratory or experiential learning where the student’s investigation and discovery is largely independent. The number of CEUs awarded is determined by the chief academic officer (dean or director) of the offering unit. Fractional CEUs may be awarded.

PREPARATORY / DEVELOPMENTAL COURSES
A050-A099: Courses with these numbers provide basic or supplemental preparation for introductory college courses. They are not applicable to transcripted certificates or associate, baccalaureate, or graduate degrees, even by petition.

ACADEMIC CREDIT COURSES
Courses with these numbers count toward undergraduate and graduate degrees and certificates as described below. Each course includes a component for evaluation of student performance. Student effort is indicated by credit hours. One credit hour represents three hours of student work per week for a 15-week semester (e.g., one class-hour of lecture and two hours of study or three class-hours of laboratory) for a minimum of 750 minutes of total student engagement, which may include exam periods. Equivalencies to this standard may be approved by the chief academic officer of the university or community college. Academic credit courses are numbered as follows.

The numbering sequence signifies increasing sophistication in a student’s ability to extract, summarize, evaluate and apply relevant class material. Students are expected to demonstrate learning skills commensurate with the appropriate course level, and to meet, prior to registration, prerequisites for all courses as listed with the course descriptions.

LOWER DIVISION COURSES
Lower division courses are usually taken by freshmen and sophomores.
A100-A199: Freshman-level, lower division courses. Introduce a field of knowledge and/or develop basic skills. These are usually foundation or survey courses. Applicable to certificates, associate, and baccalaureate degrees in accordance with certificate and degree requirements.

A200-A299: Sophomore-level, lower division courses provide more depth than 100-level courses and/or build upon 100-level courses. These courses may connect foundation or survey courses with advanced work in a given field, require previous college experiences, or develop advanced skills. Applicable to certificates, associate, and baccalaureate degrees.

UPPER DIVISION COURSES
Upper division courses are usually taken by juniors and seniors. Upper-division courses require a background in the discipline recognized through course prerequisites, junior or senior standing, or competency requirements. These courses demand well-developed writing skills, research capabilities, and/or mastery of tools and methods of the discipline.

A300-A399: Junior-level, upper-division courses build upon previous course work and require familiarity with the concepts, methods, and vocabulary of a discipline. They are applicable to baccalaureate degrees and may be applicable to associate’s degrees, in accordance with degree requirements. These courses are not applicable to graduate degree requirements.

A400-A499: Senior-level, upper-division courses require the ability to analyze, synthesize, compare and contrast, research, create, innovate, develop, elaborate, transform, and/or apply course material to solving complex problems, and generally require a substantial background of study in lower-level courses. These courses are applicable to baccalaureate degrees, in accordance with degree requirements. These courses may be applied to graduate requirements for some master’s degrees with prior approval of the student’s graduate study committee. However, a student may not apply a course to both a baccalaureate and a master’s degree.

GRADUATE LEVEL COURSES
A600-A699: Graduate-level courses require a background in the discipline, and an ability to contribute to written and oral discourse on advanced topics in the field at a level beyond that required by a bachelor’s degree.

These courses demand rigorous analysis, synthesis, and research skills and require the ability to read, interpret and evaluate primary literature in the field. Students analyze raw data, evaluate models used in research and draw independent conclusions. Preparation includes demonstrated accomplishment in a specific course or discipline, or completion of a significant and related program of study. Student activities are often self-directed and aimed not only at the formation of supportable conclusions, but also at a clear understanding of the process used in those formations.
These courses are applicable to post-baccalaureate, masters, post-baccalaureate certificates, and doctoral degrees, in accordance with degree requirements. With prior approval of the major department they may be used to meet degree or graduation requirements for some baccalaureate degrees, but a student may not apply a course to both a baccalaureate and a graduate degree.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES

**A500-A599:** Courses with these numbers are designed to provide continuing education for professionals at a post-baccalaureate level. These courses are not applicable to university degree or certificate program requirements, are not interchangeable with credit courses, even by petition, and may not be delivered simultaneously (stacked) with credit courses of similar content.

These courses may be graded Pass/No pass or, if the course includes an evaluation component, by letter grading. The measurement of student effort is indicated by professional development credits. Each professional development credit awarded requires at least 12.5 hours of student engagement in a directed learning environment under the supervision of a qualified instructor. These courses are provided on a self-support basis.

The following second and third digits or course numbers are used for specific types of courses:

- 90 selected topics
- 92 seminars and workshops
- 93 special topics courses, to be offered only once
- 94 trial (experimental) courses intended to become permanent
- 95 internships, practica, community-based learning, or cooperative education
- 97 independent studies
- 98 individual research
- 99 thesis

**PREREQUISITES**

A student is expected to meet prerequisites for all courses prior to registering. Prerequisites are listed with the course description and indicate the preparation and/or background necessary to undertake academic study. If a student has not met the necessary prerequisites, the student may request permission from the instructor of the course to register in the class. A faculty member may withdraw students who register without either prerequisites or faculty permission.

**CO-REQUISITES**

Co-requisites are courses that must be taken concurrently. Students are responsible for registering and attending all co-requisite courses in the same semester. Co-requisites are listed in the individual course descriptions. A faculty member may withdraw students who do not register for the appropriate co-requisites.

**REPEATABLE COURSES**

Some courses (such as Special Topics) may be taken more than once for additional credit. Only those courses for which repetitively for additional credit is explicitly noted in the course description qualify for this option.

**RETTAKING COURSES**

Any course for which a student has received a transcripted grade may be retaken at the student’s option, if the course is available and if permitted by the Program offering the course. The student’s transcript will reflect all grades earned by the student in each semester in which the course is taken. Only the credits and chronologically last grade earned are applied toward graduation requirements, prerequisite fulfillment, and cumulative MSC/UAA GPA calculation.

The Credit/No Credit grading option cannot be selected when courses are to be retaken for GPA improvement. Students may not retake a course through credit-by-exam, correspondence, or through work at another college or university for the purpose of raising their grade point average at MSC/UAA. To determine eligibility for graduation with honors, all credits and grades from retaken courses are included in GPA calculations.

**REGISTRATION RESTRICTIONS**

In addition to prerequisites, registration restrictions are conditions a student must meet before registering in a course. Examples include, but are not limited to, admission requirements, special approval, level requirements, special licenses or credentials.

**SPECIAL NOTES**

In addition to prerequisites and registration restrictions, special notes may describe other qualities and expectations about the course that may impact student success. Special notes include, but are not limited to, additional information about academic environment, degree planning, or repeatability options.

**PRACTICUM REQUIREMENTS**

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Many academic programs require completion of a practicum, clinical assignment, or other field placement. Before applying to such programs, students should familiarize themselves with the requirements for such placements, which may include
infectious disease testing, drug testing, criminal background checks, or other qualifications. Students are responsible for ensuring that there are no legal or other impediments to their acceptance into a placement.

CRIMINAL HISTORY
Placements in facilities with programs administered by the State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services are subject to background checks under state law and regulation. For more information about these background checks and the crimes that bar an individual from being associated in any manner with a covered facility, see http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dph/CL/bgcheck/default.htm. Criminal background checks may also be required for placements in other facilities.

HEALTH AND SAFETY
Placements may require documentation of immunity to infectious diseases. The circumstances in which a student with an infectious disease, or who otherwise poses a significant risk to the health and safety of others, may participate in a placement will be determined on a case by case basis. A student who poses a significant risk to the health and safety of others that cannot be eliminated by a reasonable modification of policies, practices or procedures, or by the provision of auxiliary aids or services, will be excluded from participation.

The program descriptions in this catalog may contain more detailed requirements for specific programs. Students should always check on requirements for practicum, clinical, or other field placements for the programs in which they intend to enroll.

SPECIAL COURSES

DIRECTED STUDY
A Directed Study Course is a permanent catalog course delivered on an individual basis when the course is not offered that semester. The policies are as follows:
1. Retroactive registration is not permitted.
2. Forms incorrectly completed will not be processed.
3. Courses scheduled for less than a full semester may not be offered for more than one (1) credit each week.
4. For fall and spring semesters, the deadline for directed study registration is the end of the 9th week.
5. For the summer semester, the deadline for directed study registration is prorated according to the length of the session.
6. There can be no change in the basic content of the course. In particular, this means the number, level, prefix, description, title, grading policy (A-F, P/NP), credits, and course content cannot differ from the permanent course.
7. Only regular (tenure track or term) faculty members are allowed to supervise or to be the Instructor of Record for Directed Study courses. The College Director may function as Instructor of Record when no regular faculty member is available to fulfill that function.

The responsibilities of the Instructor of Record are to:
a. approve the course of study;
b. approve the credentials of other faculty members involved;
c. see that the material is presented in a full and timely manner;
d. evaluate student’s progress in achieving student outcomes;
e. generate course grade and see that the grades are turned in to Student Services; and
f. assume responsibility for academic issues that arise in the course.
8. The faculty member teaching the course must have taught the permanent course or a related course prior to teaching a directed study.
9. The initiation of directed studies must come from the faculty member in the discipline and must be approved by the College Director or designee.
10. Once the directed study course has been approved and created, the student will be automatically registered for the course unless holds exist on the student account.

INDEPENDENT STUDY
An Independent Study course is a course consisting of topics or problems chosen by the student with the approval of the department concerned, with the supervision of an instructor, and final approval by the Dean/Director. These courses are not duplications of and must differ significantly from any catalog course. The independent study provides the opportunity for students who have completed most of the required courses in their program to study topics which are not offered. The policies are as follows:
1. Retroactive registration is not permitted.
2. Independent study courses cannot be used to fulfill GER. This policy is not petitionable.
3. Forms incorrectly completed will not be processed.
4. Courses scheduled for less than a full semester may not be offered for more than one (1) credit each week.
5. For fall and spring semesters, the deadline for independent study registration is the end of the ninth week.
6. For the summer semester, the deadline for independent study registration is prorated according to the length of the session.
7. Only regular or term faculty are allowed to be the Instructor of Record for the Independent Study courses. The College Director may function as Instructor of Record when no regular or term faculty are available to fulfill that function.

The responsibilities of the Instructor of Record are to:
a. approve the course of study;
b. approve the credentials of other faculty involved;
c. see that the material is presented in a full and timely manner;
d. evaluate student’s progress in achieving student outcomes;
e. generate course grade and see that the grades are turned in to Student Services; and
f. assume responsibility for academic issues that arise in the course.
8. The initiation of independent study courses must come from faculty in the discipline and must be approved by the College Director or designee.
9. Once the independent study course has been approved and created, the student will be automatically registered for the course unless holds exist on the student account.

STACKED COURSES
Two or more courses from the same discipline (prefix) covering common course content, but at different course levels, may be taught together. These courses are stacked, and students may register for the course level that meets their objectives, and for which they meet the prerequisites. A student registered in stacked courses either meets at the same time and location or receives instruction by the same delivery mode. Expectations for student performance and achievement reflect course level. Catalog descriptions of these courses include the phrase “May be stacked with.” The class information on UAOnline indicates if a class is being offered in stacked format.

CROSS-LISTED COURSES
A course that contains content related to two or more disciplines may be offered under the prefixes that identify those disciplines. These courses are termed “cross-listed.” A student may register in cross-listed courses under the discipline and prefix of his/her choice. Catalog descriptions of these courses include the phrase “Cross-listed with.” The class information on UAOnline indicates if a class is being offered in cross-listed format.

INTERNSHIP
An internship is a student work experience in which the employer or agency is the student’s immediate supervisor, is active in planning the expected outcomes, and is involved in the evaluation of the student’s achievements. A faculty member must act as instructor and approve the work activities, the student learning outcomes, and the evaluation method. The instructor reviews all of the final documents upon completion of the assignment and assigns the final grade. Internships require that the student completes a minimum of 45 hours of work with the employer for each credit earned. Final course grades are generally based on hours worked, outcomes achieved, employer and instructor ratings of work performance, and evaluation of required journals or reports.

PRACTICUM
A practicum is a student work experience, for which the academic department establishes the objectives and outcomes. The instructor facilitates, monitors, and evaluates student accomplishments, and assigns the final grade.

INTERDISCIPLINARY/MULTIDISCIPLINARY COURSES
Courses that explore the broader meaning and significance of concepts, principles, or research techniques common to several disciplines are called interdisciplinary. Courses that examine a common topic or problem by drawing upon the perspectives of many disciplines are called multidisciplinary.

FLEXIBLE FORMAT COURSES
Certain courses are offered in flexible formats. They include:

Self-Paced: These courses offer an alternative to the traditional lecture class and are especially suited to motivated, self-directed learners. Self-paced courses allow students to work in a low-anxiety, supportive environment. They include some or all of the following:
   a. group study
   b. tutorial study
   c. scheduled lectures
   d. diverse learning aids such as video, audio, computer, and library resources.

Open Entry/Open Exit: These courses permit a student to enter and exit at any time during the semester prior to the Open Entry Deadline. A student generally works at his/her own pace to complete the required course content.

Variable Credit: These courses may be taken for a variable number of credits with prior approval of the faculty member. Workload and tuition depend on the number of credits selected.

Short: Short courses offer the content of a full semester course in a shorter time frame.

Mini: Mini courses are offered for fewer than three (3) credits and usually in a shorter time period than a full semester.

Distance Education at MSC: The distance educational courses offered at MSC are based on the same instructional outcomes and objectives as traditional on-campus courses and will require approximately 6-9 hours per week during the semester to complete the work. These courses require as much commitment as any class offered on campus. You need to be computer literate and a bit Web-savvy.

Blended Courses: Blended courses require both class attendance and access to a computer. Part of the class is taught online and part in a traditional classroom setting. Students who are reluctant to take an online course might choose a blended course to become familiar with the procedures and technology used in online instruction.

Web Based/Online Courses: In an online course, you do not attend any regularly scheduled classes. Your entire contact with other students and the instructor is conducted over the Internet. The majority of the coursework is transmitted to and from you via the Internet/BlackBoard.
FULL-TIME/PART-TIME STATUS
An undergraduate student who is registered at MSC/UAA for 12 or more credits is classified as full-time. An undergraduate student who is registered at MSC/UAA for fewer than 12 credits is classified as part-time and must be registered in at least six credits to be considered half-time. Audited courses, credit-by-exam courses, and Continuing Education Units (CEUs), and Professional Development courses (500-level) are not included in the computation of study load for full-time or part-time status.

COURSE LOAD
A student may register for a maximum of 19 credits during the fall and spring semesters, and a lighter load is recommended for summer session although a student may register for a maximum of 15 credits. A student who wants to register for additional credits must submit an approved Request for Credit Overload Form at registration. An Academic Counselor must sign overload requests.

A student should consider his/her graduation time line when planning his/her study load. The minimum number of required credits is 60 for an associate’s degree and 120 for a baccalaureate degree. To complete an associate’s degree in two years or a baccalaureate degree in four years (excluding summers), a full-time student should plan to take a minimum of 15 credits each semester. Many degrees require more than the minimum number of credits. A student should be aware that the need for preparatory work (for example, in English or mathematics) in preparation for University-wide general education required courses may further extend the time required to complete his/her program. When planning course load, a student should also keep non-school demands on available time, such as employment and/or family responsibilities, firmly in mind.

SPECIAL STUDENTS
Additional policies apply to the following categories of students:

SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENT ENROLLMENT POLICY
Group orientation sessions are held prior to the fall and spring semesters to help students who are currently attending high school and are interested in taking a college class. Contact Student Services for dates and times.

Mat-Su College welcomes all students who meet the University admissions requirements for certificate, degree, or non-degree seeking status set forth in this Catalog. The following policy applies to all applicants under the age of 18 who are in the 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th grade and have not already earned their high school diplomas or GEDs. In order to promote academic success and to facilitate a smooth transition to postsecondary education, the following procedures have been established.

ADMISSION PROCESS: Secondary school applicants may be admitted on a semester-by-semester basis to non-degree-seeking status only. Secondary school students are not eligible for admission to certificate or degree programs until they earn a high school diploma or GED or otherwise meet university admission requirements for degree-seeking students. (See the Admission section of this chapter for more information.)

REGISTRATION PROCESS: To complete the registration process, secondary students must:
1. Meet with an academic counselor to discuss course selection, enrollment procedures, and appropriate placement. Placement testing may be required.
2. Obtain signed approvals on the Secondary School Student Signature Form from the local area School District designees. The designees will assess the student’s social and academic maturity and readiness for success and safety in the courses requested. If the student is home schooled, the home-school organization director will serve as the local area School District designee;
3. Obtain signed approval of the course instructor on the Secondary School Student Signature Form for registration in a course. The course instructor’s approval is based on the instructor’s judgment that the student meets factors 1 through 4 in the University Determination section of this policy. Course instructors may require copies of high school transcripts and SAT, ACT, or an approved test to determine appropriate course placement;
4. Obtain signed approval of the parent/guardian on the Secondary School Student Signature Form;
5. Complete a Proxy for Registration Form if someone other than the student is processing the request. This needs to be signed by the student and his/her proxy;
6. Submit forms named above to MSC Student Services for review and final approval. The campus designee will review the student packet for completeness and assess the student’s social and academic maturity and readiness for success and safety in the courses requested;
7. Register on a space available basis, as priority is given to degree seeking students. Enrollment guidelines for qualified secondary school students are as follows:
   a. Enrollment may not exceed seven credits per semester;
   b. Prerequisites for the courses requested must be met;
   c. All courses must be at the 100/200 level and exclude all Preparatory English classes. Exceptions must be approved by the course instructor, department chair, Dean, College Director, or designee;
8. Pay all tuition, course, and student fees;
9. Adhere to MSC policies and procedures found in the Catalog;
10. Attain a grade of at least C (2.00 on a 4.00 scale) from each MSC course to receive permission to register for future semesters; and
11. Meet other program requirements established for secondary school students at the community campuses.
STUDENT AND PARENT/GUARDIAN AGREEMENT
The registration process at MSC requires all secondary school student applicants and their parents/guardians to complete a Secondary School Student and Parent/Guardian Statement of Understanding. Signing the Secondary School Student Signature Form signifies understanding of, and agreement with all of the following:

1. University work is much more rigorous and much less guided than secondary education course work;
2. The courses taken will establish an official transcript that will follow the student throughout the student’s college and/or university career;
3. Adult themes and diverse perspectives are essential to University materials and discourse;
4. Underage students must register for classes at the 100/200 level. No Preparatory English classes may be taken. Special conditions apply to English/Communication classes.
5. English/Communication Departmental Restrictions: Secondary school students may not register for Preparatory English courses or any English course below English A111. Only high school juniors and seniors are eligible to register for English and Communication classes. Before registering for an English or communication course, the student must obtain an appropriate score on a placement test and submit a writing sample in the Learning Center. The student will be given a topic and will have one and one-half hours to complete an essay. The student may use a dictionary and a Learning Center computer to complete this writing sample. An English faculty member will determine if the student is eligible to register. An eligible student may not register before the first day of class in any English and communication course. Registration is still contingent on faculty permission and is on a space available basis.
6. A secondary school student who registers in University courses is responsible for maintaining at least a C (2.00 on a 4.00 scale) cumulative high school grade point average in order to register for college level credit;
7. A secondary school student who registers in University courses is responsible for maintaining at least a C (2.00 on a 4.00 scale) grade point average in selected college classes in order to register for additional college level credit;
8. The University will not act in a parental or supervisory role;
9. A parent or guardian may not attend a course in which their secondary school student is registered unless the parent or guardian is also officially registered for the course;
10. A secondary school student who registers in University courses is fully responsible for complying with all policies and procedures of the University. This includes being aware of and adhering to the University Student Code of Conduct.
11. A permanent University disciplinary record is established for all students who violate the Code of Conduct.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and University policy prevent the university from giving out any information about a minor student to parents or guardians without the written consent of the student.

A permanent University disciplinary record is established for all students who are found responsible for violating the Code of Conduct.

UNIVERSITY DETERMINATION
The University reserves the right to deny or discontinue the enrollment of a student in a course or courses if the University determines that the student lacks the maturity, the legal or intellectual ability or the academic preparedness to participate on an equal footing with other students, or if it is otherwise not in the legitimate interest of the University for the student to participate. Factors that may be considered in such a determination include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Whether the parents (including guardians) of the student support the student’s enrollment in the course;
2. Whether, in the judgment of the faculty member, the student:
   a. possesses the intellectual and academic resources to participate meaningfully on an equal footing with other students,
   b. has the emotional maturity to absorb and appreciate the significance of material covered in the course,
   c. has the potential to behave appropriately so as to not disrupt the class or distract the faculty member or other students in the course,
   d. is independent and will not require undue care, attention, or monitoring by the faculty member, and
   e. possesses the physical ability to perform physical functions in the course without undue risk;
3. Whether the course involves high risk activities for which the University requires a release of claims of all students, in light of the fact that such a release is not enforceable as to a student under the age of 18; and
4. Whether the student can lawfully participate in the course.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS
Exceptions to the above admission and registration procedures may be made for special academic programs at the department, school, college or campus level. Contact Student Services for information regarding the availability of these special programs.

CERTIFICATE AND DEGREE PROGRAMS
Secondary school students are not eligible for admission to certificate or degree programs until they earn a high school diploma or GED or otherwise meet university admission requirements for degree-seeking students. (See the Admission section of this chapter for more information.)
HIGH SCHOOL CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT / DUAL CREDIT

The Academic Concurrent Enrollment Program is a cooperative educational program of Matanuska-Susitna College (MSC) and the Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District (MSBSD). The program allows a student to take entry level college courses while he/she is still enrolled in high school, earning dual credit (both high school and college credit for the same course). Concurrent enrollment is designed for a student who plans to attend college, and 1) recognizes his/her need for advanced courses or 2) is identified by faculty as needing advanced courses not offered by MSBSD.

Concurrent enrollment has numerous benefits:
• A student can engage in intellectually rigorous courses within a supportive environment.
• A student can fulfill a number of General Education Requirements (courses required for all college degrees), thus accelerating his/her college studies.
• A student planning to attend the University of Alaska can transfer these college credits to any campus.
• A student can accrue up to 18 hours of college credit for the cost of administrative fees.

Concurrent enrollment eligibility:
• A student may be recommended to the program by a teacher, principal or counselor, or may choose to enroll with approval from the teacher.
• A student should have a 3.0 grade point average. (Exceptions will be dealt with on an individual basis.)
• A student may enroll for 12 credits per semester (usually 3 or 4 courses), and may take 18 concurrent enrollment credits in total. (An underage student may enroll in a maximum of seven (7) credits per semester.)

Special note: Some courses may require prerequisite test scores for admission to class or require an exit exam to receive credit in a course. For example, a student must test into English A111 and must take an exit exam for credit in English A111 and Psychology A111. See your high school counselor and/or MSC academic counselor for further details.

TECH PREP PROGRAM

The Tech Prep Program is a partnership between MSC, secondary school districts, Alaska Vocational Technical Center, Job Corps, and other partnership institutions. It is a program that recognizes technical and related academic preparation and, where possible, work-based learning in a specific career field. It partners secondary education, post-secondary education, labor and business in a sequential course of study without duplication of course work that will lead a student to a certificate, credential, apprenticeship, associate’s degree or baccalaureate degree.

The purpose of the Tech Prep Program is to offer secondary-school students and other individuals in a technical field of study an opportunity to receive lower-division college credit toward a MSC certificate or undergraduate degree. Students may receive MSC credit by successfully completing specific courses that have been approved for articulation by MSC. Tech Prep Program articulation agreements use the university’s curriculum standards and measures for articulating course work from secondary school districts and other partnerships into MSC credit. Motivated, able learners will greatly benefit from this outcomes based program.

TECH PREP PROGRAM CREDIT (NON-CONCURRENT)

Most students receiving Tech Prep credit are concurrently enrolled in MSC and the partnership institution. Students who did not concurrently enroll and are requesting Tech Prep credit (up to two years after completion of the partnership course), through the non-traditional transfer credit process, must first apply and be accepted as a certificate or degree-seeking student at MSC, must complete the Tech Prep Request for Non-Traditional Transfer Credit, provide MSC with an official partnership transcript reflecting course completion and final grades received in the articulated course, and pay an administrative fee. MSC reserves the right to reject credit or to require an examination before awarding non-traditional transfer credit.

Only Tech Prep courses completed with a grade of C (2.00) or higher will be considered for nontraditional transfer credit.

Credit awarded through the non-traditional transfer credit process will not be reflected as a concurrent registration in a MSC course and will not be included in the student’s MSC grade point average (GPA).

Credit will not be awarded for a course that duplicates one for which MSC credit was already received.

There is no limit on the total number of MSC credits a student may receive through the nontraditional transfer credit process. However, there may be limits to the number of those credits that may apply toward a specific degree. Where possible, partnership courses in the Tech Prep Program will be articulated and equated to specific MSC lower division courses (100 or 200 level). However, some courses may be articulated to MSC lower division elective credit.

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There is no limit on the total number of MSC credits a student may receive through the Tech Prep Program.

MSC credit received through the Tech Prep Program will be considered resident credit. Credit will not be awarded for a course that duplicates one for which MSC credit was already received.

Credit through the MSC Tech Prep Program is generally not included in the computation of study load for MSC full-time or part-time status.
If the Tech Prep Program is delivered collaboratively with UAF and/or UAS, credit from each participating institution will be counted toward fulfillment of residency requirements.

Credit for partnership courses articulated as MSC elective credit will be awarded through the nontraditional transfer credit process.

Students may take advantage of the Tech Prep Program while attending the partnership institution or they may request nonconcurrent credit from MSC, through the nontraditional transfer credit process, up to two years after completing the partnership course, providing the courses were articulated and approved at the time of completion. Not all Tech Prep courses are approved for nontraditional transfer credit.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**
International students with Permanent Residency or Immigrant visas may be admitted to either degree-seeking programs or non degree-seeking options. Those with certain other types of visas, including B-1 or B-2 visitor visas, F-2 visas and those on the visa waiver program are prohibited from studying in a full course of study. Contact the International Student Advisor at the UAA Office of Admissions (907-786-1573) for information or contact Student Services at MSC (745-9746).

**SENIOR CITIZENS**
Regular tuition shall be waived for Alaska residents who are otherwise age eligible to receive full social security retirement benefits, and who register on a space available basis; that is when courses can accommodate such students in addition to other enrolled students. (See Chapter 3, “Tuition, Fees, and Financial Aid,” for further information.)

**VETERANS, SERVICE MEMBERS, AND ELIGIBLE DEPENDENTS OF VETERANS**
Individuals in this category may qualify for tuition and special fee consideration. (See Chapter 3, “Tuition, Fees, and Financial Aid,” for further information.)

**NON-HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES**
Individuals 18 and over who do not have a high school diploma or GED may still register for classes. See the Admission section of this Catalog for information.

**NON-DEGREE-SEEKING STUDENTS**
Individuals in this category are not currently seeking a MSC certificate or degree. See the Admission section of this Catalog for information.

**RESIDENCY:** See Chapter 3, “Tuition, Fees, and Financial Aid,” for information.

**RESIDENT CREDIT**
Resident credit at MSC/UAA is credit that is earned in formal classroom instruction, correspondence study, distance-delivered courses, directed study, independent study or research through any unit of UAA. Credit from a regionally accredited domestic institution or equivalent institution for which there is an approved affiliation or exchange agreement is also considered resident credit.

In general, credit earned at Prince William Sound Community College (PWSCC), UAF, or UAS is not considered resident credit at MSC/UAA. However, if a program is delivered collaboratively with PWSCC, UAF, and/or UAS, collaborative program credit from each participating institution is counted towards fulfillment of residency requirements.

Transfer credit, advanced placement credit, credit for prior learning, military service credit, and credit granted through nationally prepared examinations are not considered resident credit, nor are local credit by examination credits earned through locally prepared tests.

15 resident credits are required to graduate with an associate’s degree, and 30 resident credits are required to graduate with a baccalaureate degree. Students should refer to program descriptions in the catalog for additional requirements.

**CATALOG YEAR**

**CERTIFICATE AND ASSOCIATE’S DEGREES**
A student’s catalog year is established when he/she is first admitted into a certificate or degree program as a major or premajor. A student’s catalog year is adjusted if the student formally postpones admission (see Postponed Admission) or executes a change of major (See Change of Major or Degree).

A student may elect to graduate under the requirements of the catalog in effect at the time of formal acceptance to a certificate program or associate’s degree or the catalog in effect at the time of graduation.

If the requirements for a certificate or associate’s degree as specified in the entry-level catalog are not met within five (5) years of formal acceptance into the program, admission expires and the student must reapply for admission and meet the current admission and graduation requirements in effect at the time of readmission or graduation.
AGE LIMIT OF CREDITS
There is no University-wide undergraduate policy on the age limit of credits. However, to guarantee currency of course content, some departments and degree programs require courses to have been completed within a specified period of time. Contact Student Services for more information.

TRANSFER CREDITS
Where possible, transfer credit is equated with UAA courses by matching the content, level of instruction, course activities and student outcomes. Only course work that clearly and demonstrably satisfies the intent of a UAA General Education, College or major requirement can be accepted as a substitute. When this is not possible, evaluators may grant discipline-specific elective credit at the appropriate level. UAA reserves the right to reject transfer credit or to require an examination before credit is allowed. An evaluation of transfer credit is completed after a student has been admitted as a certificate or degree-seeking student.

CRITERIA FOR ACCEPTANCE OF TRANSFER CREDIT
1. Transfer credits from United States institutions are accepted only if those institutions are accredited by one of the following regional accrediting associations:
   • Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools
   • New England Association of Schools and Colleges
   • North Central Association of Colleges and Schools
   • Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities
   • Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
   • Western Association of Schools and Colleges
2. Only undergraduate college-level (100 to 499) courses completed with grades equal to C (2.00) or higher are considered for transfer. Grades conferring point value less than 2.00 on a 4.0 scale will not be accepted.
3. Credits transferred for application to graduate certificates or degrees are subject to additional requirements noted in the chapter on Graduate Programs (see UAA Catalog).
4. Students who plan to transfer credits from outside the United States must provide an official statement of educational equivalence from a recommended credentials evaluation service. Addresses are available from Student Services (746-9746) or the UAA Office of Admissions (907-786-1573 or www.uaa.alaska.edu/iss). The student is responsible to pay evaluation fees which depend upon the type and complexity of the evaluation.
5. Transfer credits are not included in the student’s MSC/UAA grade point average (GPA) computation, except to determine eligibility for graduation with honors.
6. Challenge exams and credit by exams posted on another university's transcript will not be considered for transfer credit (see National Credit by Examination).
7. UAF and/or UAS resident credit posted on an official transcript is transferred to UAA subject to applicability toward degree requirements.
8. Credits from institutions that are not accredited by one of the regional associations listed above are only accepted under special arrangements that may be initiated upon student request. Students wishing to pursue such transfers must clearly establish equivalency to UAA courses using evidence obtained from course descriptions, syllabi, texts, assignments, exams and direct communication between the faculties at UAA and at the originating institution.

TRANSFER OF GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENT CREDITS WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA SYSTEM
The general education requirements for baccalaureate degrees from the University of Alaska system are required by university regulation to have a common core of course work totaling a minimum of 34 credits. These include:

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Credit for course work successfully completed at one University of Alaska institution towards fulfillment of the general education requirements at that institution shall transfer towards fulfillment of the same categories at all other University of Alaska institutions. This applies even if there is no directly matching course work at the institution to which the student transfers. It should be noted that the 34 credit common core is a minimum requirement for general education. An institution may require more than 34 general education credits for its baccalaureate degrees, and transfer students must meet the total requirement at the receiving institution. Transfer of general education beyond the 34 credits described above will be determined on the basis of individual requirements specified by university catalogs.
In its catalog and bulletins, each University of Alaska institution specifies the courses which meet the general education categories at that institution and which can thus be guaranteed to transfer as described above. Students who have received a baccalaureate degree from UAS or UAF will be considered as having met UAA’s General Education Requirements.

**CLASS STANDING**

Class standing is an administrative classification and does not necessarily reflect progress toward completion of a degree. Class standing is based on total credits earned. Undergraduate degree-seeking students are classified as follows:

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A transfer student will be assigned class standing based on the number of credits accepted in transfer by the College/University. A non-degree-seeking student is not assigned a class standing.

**ACADEMIC PETITION**

Deviations from academic policies or requirements must be approved by academic petition. Petition forms may be obtained from Student Services. All petitions requesting that transferred elective credit be accepted for degree requirements must be accompanied by catalog copy of the course description(s) from the institution of origin. Petitioned courses, other than those from UAF/UAS, must meet Transfer Credit Criteria for Acceptance prior to final approval.

Final authority to deny or approve petitions pertaining to school or college requirements rests with the College Director. Petitions pertaining to general education requirements and/or general university requirements must, in addition, be processed through the College Director, with final authority to deny or approve resting with the UAA Provost. The student will be notified of the decision.

Changes in course level, grading, or number of credits awarded can not be petitioned. **UAA courses not on the approved baccalaureate General Education Requirements (GERs) list may not be petitioned to meet a GER.**

**REGISTRATION**

Registration is the process of signing up and paying for classes for a particular semester. A student may attend classes in a course offered at MSC only after they have properly completed the registration process for that course. Class offerings, dates, times, deadlines and other important registration details specific to each semester are published in that semester’s Course Schedule. Not every course listed in this Catalog is offered each semester.

A student may register in person or use the UAOnline web registration system during the dates published in that semester’s Course Schedule. Noncredit, Continuing Education Unit (CEU), and Professional Development (500-level) courses have special registrations; interested students are advised to contact Student Services for more information.

For fall and spring semesters, a two-week late registration and add/drop period begins on the first day of the semester. Registration for semester-length classes is not permitted after the second week of the semester. Even if a student has been attending class from the beginning of the course, their registration will not be accepted after the late registration deadline.

The College/University holds a student academically and financially responsible for his/her registration. A student who changes plans or becomes unable to attend must officially drop or withdraw from his/her courses within published deadlines in order to avoid a final grade of F for nonattendance. The course(s) must be dropped within the 100% refund period to avoid tuition and fee assessment. Refer to the Academic Calendar published each semester in the Course Schedule and on the college website for specific deadlines.

Deadlines will be prorated for courses with dates other than the full semester length. Calculate course prorate dates at [www.curric.uaa.alaska.edu/registration/prorate](http://www.curric.uaa.alaska.edu/registration/prorate).

A student may adjust his/her schedules and add or drop courses throughout the late registration and add/drop period. Some courses may require instructor approval for this activity. **Caution: Dropping or auditing courses may affect eligibility for current and future financial aid.** A student receiving financial aid should check with the Financial Aid Office before dropping or auditing a course. (See Chapter 3, "Tuition, Fees and Financial Aid," for further information.)

All students should meet with an academic counselor prior to registering each semester. Advising can help students clarify their goals, make suitable course selections, and understand academic expectations. However, the student is ultimately responsible for meeting university requirements.

**OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION**

All communication related to registration and enrollment activities will occur through the official UAA-assigned email. Students should be careful to keep this account clear and review the correspondence received there regularly.

**REGISTRATION BY PROXY**

A student unable to register in person may choose to have a proxy register for them if they provide the proxy with a signed
Registration by Proxy Form. This form is available in the semester Course Schedule, Student Services (FSM 101), or online at www.matsu.alaska.edu/students/forms.htm. The proxy must follow the policies and calendar governing registration. Proxy registrations are not accepted without written permission from the student. A proxy must present current identification.

FACSIMILE (FAX) TRANSMISSION
Because the original source of a document received by a FAX transmission cannot always be accurately determined, official documents received by facsimile transmissions are considered only as working documents pending the receipt of the original, authenticated documents. Student Services will accept faxed signed requests for registration processing. Documents sent via fax are held to the same dates and deadlines and are processed after original documents. Documents received after 5 p.m. are considered as being received by the following business day. Faxes are not guaranteed nor will they be confirmed. Students and departments are encouraged to retain the record of transmission.

BIOGRAPHIC & DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION
Matanuska-Susitna College must comply with state and federal reporting requirements and therefore requires a student to provide specific biographic or demographic information on registration or admission forms. MSC/UAA uses the information for statistical purposes and as an identifier for University records. This information is relevant to the College's admissions and enrollment policies. The College/University does not discriminate on the basis of this information.

- **Change of Name:** A student's name on official records at MSC must be the student's full legal name. A Change of Name form may be processed through Student Services and must be supported by legal documentation, i.e., social security card, driver's license, or a court order. Employees of MSC/UAA must present their social security number.
- **Change of Address:** Currently enrolled students may update their address through UAOnline or by completing the appropriate form. Official notification of change of address is necessary for accurate mailing of correspondence, transcripts, and information about graduation requirements.
- **Social Security Number:** The University of Alaska has established student identification numbers and moved away from the practice of using social security numbers as default ID numbers. The University is still required to collect a valid social security number from each student for IRS, employment, and federal financial aid purposes. The social security number will be included on official transcripts for identification matching purposes.

REGISTRATION CHANGES
It is the responsibility of the student to become familiar with MSC policies, procedures and deadlines. Refer to the Academic Calendar published each semester in the Course Schedule and on our website for specific deadlines. Add, drop, withdrawal, credit/no credit, and audit deadlines for courses other than full semester-length will be prorated according to the length of the class. A student is expected to register only for course sections which they plan to attend and to complete all courses for which they register. (See the Table for Add/Drop, Withdrawal, Credit/No Credit and Audit for more information.)

FACULTY SIGNATURE
Some course descriptions include "Instructor Permission" as a prerequisite. A student must obtain the signature of the faculty member instructing the course section, or their designee, or appropriate approval before registering.

AUDITING CLASSES
Audit registrations are on a space-available basis. Auditors may be dropped from a class to make room for a credit-seeking student. No credit is received for audited courses. Requirements for auditing the course are determined by the faculty. Faculty may withdraw a student if they fail to comply with the agreed-upon terms.

A student who audits classes is required to meet prerequisites, register and pay the same tuition and fees as those who take the classes for credit. During weeks 1 and 2 of the semester, audit-to-credit requires faculty signature. **Audit-to-credit** changes are not allowed after week 2 of the semester. During weeks 3 through 12 of the semester, credit-to-audit changes require faculty signature. **Credit-to-audit** changes are not allowed after week 12 of the semester. Forms are available in Student Services.

Audited courses are not included in the computation of study load for full-time or part-time status. In addition, a student may not request local credit-by-exam for an audited course until the following academic year.

CANCELLATION OF CLASSES
Matanuska-Susitna College reserves the right to cancel or combine classes, to change the time, dates, or place of meeting; or to make other necessary revisions in class offerings. The College may discontinue a class at any time if enrollment falls below expected levels. Students may not be notified, so it is advised they check their schedule regularly.

**Statement of Liability:** In the event that the operations of Mat-Su College are adversely affected by war, riot, act of God, action of civil authority, strike, or other emergency or condition, the College reserves the right to take action to curtail part or all of its operations, including action to cancel classes and action to discontinue services. In any case in which a significant curtailment is judged proper by the University, the College's liability shall be limited to (at most) a refund of tuition and other fees paid.

CREDIT REQUIREMENTS
Transfer credit equivalents vary among semester, unit and quarter universities. Courses that differ from equivalent UAA courses by less than one credit are equated to UAA courses and meet UAA course requirements without requiring a petition. To complete credit requirements where transfer course credits differ from UAA credits by more than 1.00 credit, students can
either take another UAA class or request an Academic Petition from an academic counselor. It is ultimately the responsibility of students to ensure that they complete the total number of credits required for their degrees.

**COURSE PERFORMANCE**

Successful performance in individual courses contributes to overall satisfaction with the educational experience at MSC and ultimately will provide for successful completion of a course of study or degree.

Faculty members design course activities that assist students to acquire, comprehend, and apply knowledge and skills in a variety of subject areas. The course syllabus is designed to provide information about the structure of the course and methods of determining successful course completion.

In order to evaluate student learning, grades are assigned by faculty to individual students that indicate achievement of course objectives. Student behaviors such as class attendance, class participation, completion of all assignments, and achievement of passing marks on all graded activities are the foundation for success of the student.

**CLASS ATTENDANCE**

Regular attendance and active participation are expected in all classes. A student is responsible for classwork even if there are legitimate reasons for his/her absence. Unexcused absences may result in a student being withdrawn from the class or receiving a failing grade. Unreasonable refusal to accommodate an emergency absence or an official college absence as described below may be appealable under the Academic Appeals Process.

**Official College Absences:** A student participating in official intercollegiate activities on behalf of MSC/UAA is responsible for making advance arrangements with faculty members to enable him/her to meet course requirements. Faculty members are encouraged to make reasonable accommodations for such a student. In some cases accommodation may not be possible.

**STUDENT-INITIATED DROP OR WITHDRAWAL**

A student may drop a class according to the information found in the published Course Schedule each semester. Deadlines are determined by the start date of the class and usually occur within the first two weeks of class (for Fall and Spring semesters), prorated for courses other than the full semester. No grade will be issued for classes dropped by the deadlines.

After the last deadline for dropping a class, a student may withdraw from the class through the twelfth week of class (for Fall and Spring semesters), prorated for courses other than the full semester. This will produce a designation W for the course on the cumulative transcript. After such a withdrawal, an academic grade for the course may only be obtained by retaking the course. No tuition or fees are returned to students who withdraw from a class.

**FACULTY-INITIATED DROP OR WITHDRAWAL**

A faculty member may initiate a drop or withdrawal from a class a student who fails to meet published individual course requirements (see next paragraph). A student who fails to attend class within the first seven (7) calendar days of the semester is also eligible for this action. The deadlines for faculty-initiated drop or withdrawal are the same as for student-initiated drop or withdrawal.

The requirements which a student must meet include all catalog pre- or co-requisites for the course, as well as other registration restrictions, and attendance requirements established for the class. Faculty may initiate a withdrawal for a student in audit status for a class according to criteria for audit status distributed in the class syllabus.

Faculty are not obligated to initiate drops or withdrawal for any reason. A student who needs to be excused from first-week attendance must contact the faculty member(s) and receive permission before the first class meeting of the semester.

**PARTICIPATION AND PREPARATION**

Preparation for a class begins by having the necessary prerequisites for the class and obtaining appropriate advising and counseling regarding registration in a class. Active participation in the class necessitates a willingness to prepare for classes by reading materials assigned for the class in either print or electronic format, participating in classroom discussion and asking questions of the instructor about material presented. Participation includes a willingness to evaluate the class in a constructive manner at the completion of the course.

**COURSE MATERIALS**

Having access to the materials assigned for the course improves success in a course. Therefore, it is the student’s responsibility to have available all the materials, books, and notes for the course. If materials are in an electronic format, students are responsible for accessing them through personal computers or in the computer labs on campus.

**ASSIGNMENTS AND TESTING**

A student should be aware of specific assignments, the scope of the assignments, due dates, grading criteria, and the application of the assignment to the course grade. A student should clarify these points with the faculty member prior to submitting the assignment for grading.
A student should be aware of testing policies as written in the course syllabus. A student is responsible for arranging alternate testing times and arrangements with faculty members, if they are allowed these options, prior to the test date. This includes needs for Disability Support Services and absences on the day of the exam for illness or family issues. A student should clarify how to address alternate testing with the individual faculty prior to the first exam.

**SYLLABUS AND COURSE PROCEDURES**
The course syllabus is the student guide to the course. A student should receive a syllabus at the beginning of each course that describes the course, policies within the course, and procedures that govern the delivery of the course.

A student is responsible for obtaining the syllabus, or for having access to it electronically, and understanding the course policies in the syllabus. Any questions regarding information in the syllabus should be directed to the instructor for clarification.

The following registration activity deadlines pertain to semester-length courses (15 weeks). Deadlines for courses more or less than semester-length are pro-rated according to the length of the course. Students are not permitted to drop or withdraw from a course after it has ended.

**ADD/DROP, WITHDRAWAL, CREDIT/NO CREDIT, AND AUDIT (semester length courses):**

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<td><strong>ADD CLASSES OR LATE REGISTRATION</strong></td>
<td>Faculty signature required if course closed. Form filed with Student Services.</td>
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<td><strong>FACULTY INITIATED DROP OR WITHDRAWAL</strong></td>
<td><strong>Begin 7th calendar day of Semester through Week 2 of Semester DROP</strong></td>
<td><strong>Weeks 3 through 12 of Semester WITHDRAWAL</strong> Please see Course Schedule for specific dates and late fees.</td>
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<td><strong>DROP OR WITHDRAWAL</strong></td>
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**CHANGE IN GRADING OPTION.** The grading option for a course may be changed as follows:

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The above deadlines are subject to change. Check current semester Course Schedule for latest deadlines.
COURSE COMPLETION

GRADING
The grades that can appear on a student’s transcript are as follows:

ACADEMIC LETTER GRADES
With the exception of letter grades assigned to 500-level professional development courses, these letter grades carry grade points and are used to calculate GPAs.

A  Honor grade; indicates comprehensive mastery of required work.
B  Indicates high level of performance in meeting course requirements.
C  Indicates satisfactory level of performance.
D  Indicates the lowest passing grade; may not be acceptable to satisfy requirements in certain majors and in graduate programs.
F  Indicates failure.

NON-ACADEMIC GRADES
These grades do not carry grade points and are not used to calculate GPAs. However, CR, NC, P, and NP grades may be used to determine satisfactory academic progress.

CR  Indicates credit received for course.
NC  Indicates no credit received for course.
DF  Deferred; temporary grade which indicates course requirements cannot be completed by end of semester.
I  Incomplete; indicates additional work must be completed to receive a final grade.
P  Indicates passing work.
NP  Indicates work that is not passing (no credit received).

OTHER DESIGNATIONS
These designations do not carry grade points and are not used to calculate GPAs.

AU  Audit; indicates enrollment for information only; no credit received.
W  Indicates withdrawal from course.

CREDIT/NO CREDIT (CR/NC)
Credit/No Credit is a grading option that encourages students to explore areas of interest. Undesignated electives may be completed under this option. A maximum of 15 credits earned by this option may be applied to an associate or baccalaureate degree.

This option may not be used in courses that meet General Education Requirements (GER), or major or minor requirements in a student’s program. If a student later changes his/her major/minor and the course becomes a requirement, the course may be accepted in the new major/minor at the discretion of the new department.

The CR/NC option is not available for graduate courses, nor can this option be used on courses repeated for GPA improvement.

The instructor grades a student using the grading basis approved for the course (A-F or P/NP). A student is awarded credit for the course if his/her final grade is P or C or higher. A grade of CR is entered on the student’s transcript.

For performance comparison only, a grade of “CR” (Credit) is considered equivalent to a grade of C or higher. A grade of CR does not carry grade points and is not included in GPA calculations.

Through the end of week 2 of the semester, a student may request the CR/NC grading option by submitting the necessary paperwork to the Student Services. Once selected, this grading option may not be changed to regular grading after the end of week 2 of the semester.

DEFERRED GRADE (DF)
A deferred grade (DF) is used when the student is making satisfactory progress, but completion of the course project (such as thesis, project, research courses, internships, etc.) typically requires more than a semester. Credit is withheld, without academic penalty, until the course requirements are met. If course work is not completed prior to fulfilling graduation requirements or if the student fails to maintain enrollment for one (1) year, the DF will become a permanent grade and it will be necessary for the student to re-register to obtain credit for the course.

INCOMPLETE GRADE (I)
An incomplete grade (I) is assigned only at the discretion of the instructor. It is used to indicate that a student has made satisfactory progress in the majority of the work in a course, but for unavoidable absences or other conditions beyond the control of the student, has not been able to complete the course. The Incomplete Grade Contract, a contract form between the student and the faculty member that stipulates the assignment(s) required to finish the course, is required
Incomplete Grade Request Procedure

Student Responsibility:
1. The student must request an Incomplete grade and contact the instructor for each course for which the Incomplete is requested.
2. The student must provide documentation of extenuating circumstances (extenuating circumstances are unavoidable situations or conditions beyond the student’s control) as soon as the extenuating circumstances arises.
   Examples include:
   a. Medical reasons-medical condition or hospitalization for a week or more resulting in the impairment of the student’s ability to complete course requirements—must acquire physician’s written documentation
   b. Employment reasons-transfer to a remote location or major change in employment conditions—must acquire a voucher from employer
   c. Military reasons-military service/deployment not within State of Alaska—must acquire documentation from a military official
   d. Jury duty—must acquire a statement from the Court
3. The student must sign and date Incomplete Grade Contract form.
4. The student must follow through on assignment completion in the manner in which it is agreed upon in the contract.

Faculty Member Responsibility:
1. Verify the passing grade of C or better in the course with a minimum of 70% of course completion.
2. Obtain and complete the Incomplete Grade Contract. Attach the course syllabus, assignments to be completed, grading criteria, and statement of extenuating circumstances to the Contract form.
3. Sign and date the Incomplete Grade Contract form.
4. Submit to Assistant Director for Academic Affairs within one week prior to date course grades are due.
5. Complete Change of Grade form when contract conditions are fulfilled and submit to Student Services.

**Submission of Incomplete Grade Contract and supporting documentation does NOT approve the Incomplete. For approval, the Assistant Director for Academic Affairs must sign, date, and submit the Incomplete Grade Contract to Student Services. Student Services will provide written notification of approval to the faculty member and student.

NO GRADE (NG)
Indicates no grade such as a lab where grade is calculated with lecture.

PASS/NO PASS (P/NP)
In some courses students are graded P/NP (Pass/No Pass). This grading system is established at the time the course is approved and must apply to the class as a whole. Pass/No Pass grading is not a student option. When a course is graded Pass/No Pass, the faculty member must clearly explain this fact to the students at the beginning of the class. For performance comparison only, a grade of P (Pass) is considered equivalent to a grade of C or higher in undergraduate courses and a grade of B or higher in graduate courses. Pass/No Pass grades are used to determine satisfactory academic progress. However, P/NP grades do not carry grade points and are not used in GPA calculations.

HOW TO ACQUIRE YOUR GRADES
A student may use the web to access his/her academic record for the semester. As soon as grades are received in Student Services and entered into academic history, they will be available via UAOnline at: www.uaonline.alaska.edu. A student may request a printed copy of semester grades from Student Services in FSM 101.

GRADE CHANGES
Grades submitted by the faculty, other than incomplete I or deferred DF, are assumed to be final grades. A grade may not be changed unless a grading error, such as a mathematical miscalculation or inaccurate recording has been made on the part of the faculty member. Corrections of grading errors must be made by the last class day of the next regular semester following the one in which the grade was originally assigned. A Change of Grade form must be submitted to Student Services by the appropriate faculty member. Change of Grade forms will not be accepted if submitted to Student Services by the student. Allegations of final grading errors or arbitrary and capricious grading for a final grade assignment are reviewed according to the Academic Dispute Resolution Procedure (See Chapter 4, Student Freedoms, Rights, and Responsibilities, for further information.)
GRADE POINT AVERAGE COMPUTATION (GPA)

MSC/UAA uses the 4-point system as a measure of scholastic success. Academic letter grades carry the following values:

A = 4.00  
B = 3.00  
C = 2.00  
D = 1.00  
F = 0.00

A quality hour (Q Hrs) is defined as one (1) credit hour for a course graded A-F. For each course the student takes with quality hours, that number of quality hours for the course is multiplied by the point value of the grade to give the total grade points (Q Pts) for that course. The sum of the total grade points for all courses is then divided by the total number of quality hours to compute the grade point average (GPA).

For example, a student who took three (3) courses and earned an A for a three-credit course, a C for a one-credit course, and a P (Pass) for a two-credit course would have a total of four (4) quality hours. The total grade points for the first course would be 12 points and for the second would be two (2) points. The GPA would be calculated by dividing the sum of 12 and 2 by 4, the number of quality hours, to determine a grade point average of 3.50.

Non-academic grades do not carry grade points and are not used in calculating the GPA: CR, NC, DF, I, P, NP, and letter grades assigned to 500 level courses. In addition, AU and W are not grades and are not used in GPA calculations.

Credits accepted in transfer are not used to calculate the student’s MSC/UAA GPA. They are, however, used to calculate the student’s overall GPA for graduating with honors. Grades and credits earned from all retaken courses are also included in calculating the student’s GPA for graduating with honors.

ACADEMIC STANDING

GOOD STANDING

An undergraduate student is in good standing when he/she has a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher and a semester GPA of 2.0 or higher for the most recently completed semester. Individual departments may establish additional criteria for good standing. A student is presumed to be in good standing during his/her first semester at MSC/UAA. A student in good standing is academically eligible to re-enroll at MSC/UAA.

ACADEMIC ACTION

An admitted certificate, associate, or baccalaureate degree-seeking student who fails to earn a MSC/UAA semester and/or cumulative GPA of 2.0 will be subject to academic action. Academic action may result in warning, probation, continuing probation, or loss of certificate or undergraduate degree-seeking status. Individual departments may establish additional criteria for departmental academic action. Failure to meet or maintain these criteria may result in departmental probation or removal from a major program.

Warning: Academic Warning is the status assigned to a student whose semester GPA falls below 2.0 but whose cumulative GPA is 2.0 or higher.

Probation: Placed on Probation is the status assigned to a student whose semester and cumulative GPA falls below 2.0.

Continuing Probation: Continued on Probation is the status assigned to a student who begins a semester on probation and during that semester earns a semester GPA of 2.0 or higher without raising his/her cumulative GPA to 2.0. This status may be continued until a student raises his/her cumulative GPA to 2.0 or loses his/her certificate or undergraduate degree-seeking status.

Academic Disqualification: Academic Disqualification is the status assigned to those students who begin a semester on probation or continuing probation and fail to earn a semester GPA of 2.00. Those students’ admission status will be changed to Non-Degree-Seeking. Students who have lost Certificate or Undergraduate Degree-Seeking status may continue to attend MSC/UAA as Non-Degree-Seeking students. However, those students do not qualify for financial aid and international students will lose their immigration status. Students must apply for reinstatement to MSC/UAA (see reinstatement policy).

Reinstatement: A student who has lost certificate or undergraduate degree-seeking status may continue to attend as a non-degree-seeking student. After completing a minimum of 12 credits at MSC/UAA and/or another regionally accredited post-secondary institution in 100-level or higher courses with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher, a student may apply for reinstatement to MSC/UAA. If approved, a reinstated student must then reapply for admission to a certificate or undergraduate degree program. A reinstated student whose MSC/UAA cumulative GPA is less than 2.0 (C) will begin the semester on probation. Application for Reinstatement forms are available from Student Services in FSM 101.

Departmental Probation or Removal from a Major Program: Individual departments may establish additional criteria for departmental academic action. Failure to meet or maintain these criteria may result in departmental probation or removal from a major program. Those students’ major program will be changed to Undeclared. Students will remain in a certificate or undergraduate degree-seeking status as long as the University’s minimum academic standards are met. Undeclared students must use the Change of Major/Degree form and process to request re-admission or admission to...
A new program. Forms are available from Student Services.

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES
A student with satisfactory academic performance is eligible for participation in intercollegiate competition or co-curricular activities. A student may not participate in intercollegiate competition or co-curricular activities or student employment if their cumulative GPA falls below 2.0 (C). Additional and higher academic standards may be required by certain specific activities. A student is advised to keep his/her participation in activities outside the classroom within limits that will allow him/her to achieve satisfactory academic performance.

HONORS LIST
An admitted undergraduate degree/certificate-seeking student maintaining exceptional academic achievement is recognized after the Fall, Spring and Summer semesters on the Dean’s List and the Chancellor’s List. Names of students appearing on these lists are released to the media; also, names and addresses of honor students are provided to the National Dean’s List Publication unless a written request not to do so has been received by Student Services.

Dean’s List: To be eligible for the Dean’s List, a student must be an admitted undergraduate degree/certificate seeking student registered in at least 12 MSC/UAA credits graded with academic letter grades and must have earned a GPA of at least 3.50 for the semester. Regardless of the number of credits a student is enrolled in, temporary grades of I (incomplete) or DF (deferred) will prevent a student from being eligible for the Dean’s List.

Chancellor’s List: To be eligible for the Chancellor’s List, a student must be an admitted undergraduate degree/certificate seeking student registered in at least 12 MSC/UAA credits graded with academic letter grades and must have earned a GPA of 4.0 for the semester. Regardless of the number of credits a student is registered in, temporary grades of I (incomplete) or DF (deferred) will prevent a student from being eligible for the Chancellor’s List.

PROGRAM COMPLETION

GRADUATION APPLICATION
MSC issues diplomas three times a year: in January following the Fall semester, in June following the Spring semester, and in September following the Summer session. To be eligible for graduation at the end of a given semester, a student must:

- Be formally admitted to the degree or certificate program during the previous semester.
- Submit an Application for Graduation signed by an academic counselor and pay the appropriate fee by the deadline published in the Course Schedule.

Upon receipt of the student’s Application for Graduation, a review is completed by Student Services. If the student meets all requirements by the end of the semester, the certificate or degree is awarded after completion of the semester. The student is held responsible for meeting all academic regulations and degree/certificate requirements.

Names of students receiving undergraduate certificates and degrees appear in the Commencement Program and are released to the media. A student who does not want his/her name to be released may so indicate on the Application for Graduation form.

Students who apply for graduation and who do not complete their degree/certificate requirements by the end of the semester in which they have been approved to graduate, but are within six credits of completion, will have their application request changed to the following semester by Student Services. This courtesy change will be granted one time. Students with more than six outstanding credits of requirements remaining, or who have six credits or fewer remaining for a second semester, must reapply for graduation and pay another application fee.

GRADUATION WITH HONORS
To be eligible to graduate with honors, an associate’s degree-seeking student must first earn a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or higher in all college work attempted at MSC/UAA. A transfer student who is earning an associate’s degree must complete a minimum of 15 resident credits with academic letter grades to be eligible to graduate with honors.

A transfer student must have a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or higher in all college work attempted both at MSC/UAA and at all other accredited institutions attended and for all courses used to fulfill the degree program in order to graduate with honors.

At MSC/UAA, graduation with honors represents your entire academic history. All grades and credits earned will be included in determining eligibility to graduate with honors (D’s, F’s, repeated courses, courses lost in academic bankruptcy, etc).

Honors will be awarded to associate’s degree students with cumulative GPAs as follows:

- Cum Laude 3.50 to 3.79
- Magna Cum Laude 3.80 to 3.99
- Summa Cum Laude 4.00

Leadership Honors
Individual leadership is publicly recognized at MSC/UAA with Leadership Honors awarded to eligible graduates via an application process. Students demonstrate academic excellence by maintaining a minimum cumulative 3.0 GPA. Other criteria include leadership involvement for four semesters if receiving a bachelor’s degree and two semesters if receiving
other certificates and degrees. Each student receiving Leadership Honors is recognized by a crimson honor cord at graduation and notation in the commencement program and on transcripts. For more information and applications, please contact Student Services at 745-9746.

**COMMENCEMENT**
A student who completes certificate or degree requirements and who meets the application for graduation deadline during an academic year (Fall and Spring Semesters) is invited to participate in the annual commencement ceremonies in May. A student who completes certificate or degree requirements and meets the application for graduation deadline during the summer session is invited to participate in the commencement ceremonies the following May.

A student who has applied for graduation from another University of Alaska campus may participate in commencement ceremonies at Mat-Su College. UA encourages a student enrolled in a distance delivered program to participate in the commencement ceremony that is most accessible and convenient. In order to reserve a space in the commencement ceremony, an additional application for graduation must be submitted to MSC Student Services at least 3 weeks prior to commencement.

**EXCEPTION TO UNIVERSITY POLICY FOR RECORDS AND REGISTRATION**
A student, or person with legal authority to act on behalf of a student, may petition for an exception to University policy for records and registration. Petitions are not automatically granted, but will be considered in light of the criteria set out below and individual circumstances, as demonstrated in the documentation provided.

1. The petitioner must submit a signed Petition for Exception and consent to release of information form, which is provided for this purpose. The petition must be submitted to the Director of Student Services, Mat-Su College, PO Box 2889, Palmer, AK 99645.
2. Only petitions submitted by the student or by a person with legal authority to act on behalf of the student will be considered.
3. A Petition for Exception must be received no later than one year following the semester or session in which the course was offered. Petitions that are not received within this time frame may not be considered.
4. Decisions will be made solely on supporting documentation provided.
5. A petition will only be approved if the petitioner can demonstrate unanticipated and unavoidable circumstances beyond the student’s control that arose or came to light after published deadlines. Work-related issues, financial hardship, and failure to read MSC’s published documents generally do not present justifiable reasons to support an exception request.
6. Granting of an exception to policy for withdrawal or dropping of courses does not necessarily mean a refund of tuition. Refund requests are forwarded to the Petition for Refund Committee for further review. Refunds for self-support classes are generally not allowed.
7. Student fees are mandated by the Board of Regents cannot be petitioned for refund.
8. Petitions will be reviewed periodically and the number of petitions being reviewed will determine the time for response. A minimum of six to eight (6-8) weeks should be allowed for review.
9. Appeals of an adverse decision by the Committee must be in writing, must state the basis for the appeal, and must be received by the Director of Student Services within ten working days of the day the decision is mailed or otherwise distributed to the student. Appeals should be based on new information not available at the time of the original review, not simply because the student disagrees with the decision reached. Appeals may be faxed, delivered in person, or mailed to: Student Services, Mat-Su College, PO Box 2889, Palmer, AK 99645.

Complaints about dissatisfaction with academic courses, methods of course delivery or instructor performance are not considered under this process. Depending on the nature of the complaint, these matters are considered according to the Student Dispute/Complaint Resolution Process or the Academic Dispute Resolution Procedure, which can be found in the UAA Fact Finder/Student Handbook at www.uaa.alaska.edu/studentaffairs/Fact-Finder.cfm.
CHAPTER SEVEN
Educational Delivery Methods & Non-Traditional Credit

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EDUCATIONAL DELIVERY METHODS & NON-TRADITIONAL CREDIT

EDUCATIONAL MEDIA SERVICES (eMEDIA)
www.uaa.alaska.edu/facultytechnologycenter or e-mail: ayftp@uaa.alaska.edu
Phone (907) 786-4496 - Toll Free (888) 553-2760 - Fax (907) 786-1008

Educational Media Services supports both distance learning and technology-enhanced learning for the UAA campus community. eMedia's mission is to stimulate learning in and facilitate the use of technology in the pursuit of teaching and learning at UAA.

eMedia supports the specific needs of instructors involved in teaching with technology at UAA. UAA has particular interest in expanding the use of technology-enhanced courses to better meet the changing needs of today's students. This includes both distance-delivered courses as well as traditional face-to-face courses that use technology as part of the course.

DISTANCE EDUCATION SERVICES at UAA
www.uaa.alaska.edu/distanceeducation or e-mail: distance@uaa.alaska.edu
Phone (907) 786-4646, option 2 - Toll Free (877) 633-3888, option 3 - Fax (907) 786-6000

Distance Education Services offers courses that are convenient for college students with busy schedules. Distance education courses often provide flexibility and access for students who live in geographically remote areas and are unable to attend classes on campus. Students must possess high motivation and self-discipline in order to successfully complete distance courses.

Distance courses may be applied toward UAA degree programs in the same way as on-campus courses. No distinction is made on a student's transcripts between distance and on-campus courses. Most distance courses are delivered along the same semester timeline as on-campus courses.

Every UAA distance education course requires that you have a computer and a reliable Internet connection. Some courses have audio or Live conferencing components, so it is important to check the technological requirements of a distance course before registering. All courses have a computer component to them.

Many different technologies are used to deliver distance education. Most courses use a combination of the following:

- Audio Conferencing
- Streaming Media
- Web-Based Instruction
- eLive Conferencing

PROCTORING SERVICES
Student quizzes, tests, and exams are administered at remote testing sites such as public schools, libraries, or community centers. Students are required to contact an assigned location with an approved proctor before taking an exam.

Note: The MSC Learning Center proctors tests for distance education students.

DISTANCE EDUCATION GATEWAY
www.alaska.edu/distance

The Distance Education Gateway provides access to current course information for distance-delivered classes available all over the University of Alaska system. Contact information is also available for each of the University of Alaska campuses to assist you in registering for a course.

The University of Alaska is committed to making education available to the distributed population of the state by extending its reach to students through its diverse offering of distance-delivered courses supported by the various UA campuses around the state.

NON-TRADITIONAL CREDIT
Non-traditional credit evaluations are available for accepted degree-seeking MSC students. Documenting military or occupational training, taking local or national examinations, are some of the methods used. The specific processes are listed below.

LANGUAGE CREDIT BY PLACEMENT
An admitted, degree-seeking MSC/UAA student who has completed in residence a MSC/UAA foreign language UAA catalog course (A102-A302) with a grade of B or better is eligible to receive credit for the two immediately preceding courses, if any, up to a total of eight (8) credits. This policy does not apply to credit earned through the College Board Advanced Placement Examination Program, nor to Special Topics (A93), Independent Study (A97), Language Self Study (LANG prefix), or UAA Department of Languages literature or culture courses. In order to receive credit, the student must complete the appropriate form from Student Services and pay an administrative fee.

CERTIFIED EXPERIENCE CREDIT
This program allows crediting of certified, but not accredited, institution-sponsored learning. With documentation, the University may award elective credit or specific course credit.

National/State/Local Certificates: Persons who have met certain standards and/or passed certain tests may be awarded academic credit. Credit agreements are currently in effect for the following:
• Alaska State Troopers
• Anchorage Police Department
• Apprenticeship Technologies
• Certified Dental Assistant (CDA) by Dental Assisting National Board Examination (DANB)
• Certified Professional Legal Secretary (CPLS) Examination
• Certified Professional Secretary (CPS) Examination
• Child Development Certificate
• Federal Aviation Administration
• Federal Wildland Fire Management Training Program
• Firefighter Certifications (IFSAC)
• Industrial Firefighter Certifications
• National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX)
• National Occupational Competency Testing Institute (NOCTI) Examination
• NWCG Certifications
• Protection Engineers and Fire Protection Systems
• Southcentral Foundation Dental Assisting Training Program
• State of Alaska EMT/Paramedics
• State of Alaska Firefighter Certifications
• U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training

Business or Industry Credit: Recommendations for business or industry credit equivalents are found in the American Council on Education’s National Guide. They cover courses or formal instruction offered by businesses, government agencies, labor unions, and professional or voluntary associations.

LOCAL CREDIT BY EXAMINATION
An accepted, degree or certificate-seeking student may be awarded credit through locally developed comprehensive examinations on specific subjects. However, credit by examination is not available for all courses. Applications for and information on specific courses available through local credit by examination may be obtained from Student Services. There is a fee charged for local credit by exam. General criteria for local credit by examination include:

1. Courses with numbers below 100 may not be taken through credit by exam.
2. Only regular catalog courses may be challenged. Special topics courses, trial courses, independent study courses, and practicum courses may not be taken through credit by exam.
3. When an appropriate exam exists, CLEP, DANTES, ACT-PEP, or other national examinations may be administered instead of a local examination.
4. Determination of which courses that may be taken through local credit by exam and construction of the examinations is at the discretion of the appropriate faculty member(s).
5. Local credit by exam is not awarded for a course that duplicates one for which credit has already been granted.
6. A student will be awarded credit and a grade of P (Pass) if they successfully pass the local exam. If the exam is not passed, the course will not be recorded on the student’s transcript. Grades for courses taken through local credit by examination do not carry grade points used in calculating student GPAs.
7. Credit awarded through local credit by examination is considered non-resident credit.
8. There is no limit to the number of credits which may be acquired through local credit by examination process.
9. A student has one year from the date of application to take the local examination.
10. A student may not request local credit by exam for an audited course until the following academic year.

MILITARY CREDIT
Up to eight elective credits may be awarded to a student who has completed at least one calendar year of active duty military service.

In addition, credits may be granted for formal service schools and the primary MOS/Ratings as recommended in the Guide to the Evaluation of Education Experiences in the Armed Services prepared by the American Council on Education.

No more than 15 semester credits are applied toward an associate’s degree and no more than 30 semester credits are applied toward a baccalaureate degree. Exceptions are granted only to a student enrolled in the SOC programs.

The Servicemembers Opportunity Colleges (SOCAD, SOCMAR, SOCOAST, and SOCNavy) program allows active-duty personnel to finish approved associate and baccalaureate degree programs without losing credits as they transfer during their military careers.

Eligibility for entrance to these programs requires three semester credits to be completed in residence at MSC/UAA for the associate’s program and six semester credits in residence at MSC/UAA for the baccalaureate program. These credits must be 100-level or above with grade(s) of C or higher.

To graduate from these programs, the residency requirement is three semester credits for the two-year programs and 24 semester credits for the four-year program with an overall GPA of 2.0. Please contact Student Services for further information regarding required documentation and forms.
NATIONAL CREDIT BY EXAMINATION
www.uaa.alaska.edu/records/tce/advancedplacement.cfm
MSC/UAA awards credit for satisfactory performance on most national examinations. In most cases, passing scores and credits awarded for the following national exams are based on the most current American Council on Education recommendations or departmental approved scores.

A student desiring credit for a national exam must request an official report of exam scores be sent to Student Services at MSC. Credit may be received for more than one national examination.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM (AP®)
MSC/UAA awards credit for satisfactory performance for scores of 3, 4, or 5, depending on the individual test on the College Board Advanced Placement Examinations. These exams are normally completed by students during their senior year in high school. A student may receive credit for more than one Advanced Placement Exam.

A list of Advanced Placement examinations showing the current equivalency to UAA courses, the number of credits awarded, and the required minimum required scores for each examination may be found online at www.uaa.alaska.edu/records/tce/advancedplacement.cfm

COLLEGE-LEVEL EXAMINATION PROGRAM (CLEP)
An Official CLEP Transcript must be submitted to Student Services.

Examinations may not be repeated for a minimum of six months. The list of CLEP examinations showing the current equivalency to UAA courses, the number of credits awarded, and the required UAA minimum required scores for each examination may be found online at www.uaa.alaska.edu/admissions/forms.cfm.

Credit awarded for CLEP examinations is elective credit. A student may work with an individual department to determine if more specific course credit may be awarded for a specific examination. Students must request that an official report of examination scores be sent to the Office of Admissions. Examinations may not be repeated for a minimum of six months.

DANTES/DSST/USAFI EXAMINATIONS
Credit may be awarded for successful completion of the Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES) or DSST (DANTES Subject Standardized Tests) examinations. Credit for exams will be elective credit or, through agreements with departments, will be equated to MSC/UAA courses. A student may work with an individual department to determine if more specific course credit may be awarded for a specific examination. An official copy of the DANTES/USAFI transcript must be submitted to Student Services.

EXCELSIOR COLLEGE EXAMINATION
Credit may be awarded for successful completion of the Excelsior College Examination. Credit awarded for Excelsior examinations is elective credit. A student may work with an individual department to determine if more specific course credit may be awarded for a specific examination. An official copy of the student’s exam scores must be sent to Student Services.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE
UAA awards credit for satisfactory performance (a score of 5 or higher), on the International Baccalaureate Higher Level Examinations. An official copy of the students higher level exam scores must be sent to Student Services.
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THE CURRICULUM
Matanuska-Susitna College provides curricula that offer its students the opportunity to acquire the intellectual skills, habits of mind, and ethical sensibilities necessary to develop into individuals who make informed judgments and interpretations about their community and the broader world, who take full responsibility for their beliefs and actions, who recognize the connection between knowing and acting, and who commit themselves to lifelong learning. The MSC curricula emphasizes that while the acquisition of knowledge is an end in itself, each MSC graduate must enter the world beyond the College fully equipped to live resiliently in a changing world and be willing to apply theories and methodologies to examine and resolve the problems of their own communities, and those of an increasingly diverse and interdependent world.

The College does not prescribe specific courses for all students. It is the responsibility of each student to determine an appropriate program of courses within the framework of their academic program in consultation with an academic counselor. (See Chapter 5, “Advising and Academic Support,” for further information.) The requirements for each degree include completion of a minimum number of courses, resident credits, fulfillment of the General University Requirements and the General Education Requirements, and completion of program requirements.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

CERTIFICATES AND OCCUPATIONAL ENDORSEMENTS
The college offers two types of certificates at the undergraduate level:

- Undergraduate Certificates of 30 credits or more offer focused instruction in a concentrated area. They include an equivalent of at least six (6) credits of related instruction at the collegiate level in communications, computation and human relations. These certificates provide knowledge and skill development in broad enough areas to prepare students for entry into a variety of career fields. They are particularly appropriate in scientific or technical areas such as health care, computer systems, transportation or industrial technology.
- Occupational Endorsements are certificates requiring 29 or fewer credits to complete. These certificates provide the specialized knowledge and skills needed in specific employment sectors.

Both of these certificate types are noted on transcripts. Coursework used to complete each type may also apply to associate and baccalaureate degrees that the student may pursue.

ASSOCIATE DEGREES
Mat-Su College offers two types of associate’s degrees, both of which require the completion of 60 credits or more:

- Associate of Arts (AA) degree combines broad studies in the general education areas of written communication, oral communication, humanities, mathematics, natural sciences, and social sciences, with elective coursework selected by the student. The degree provides broad exposure to systems of thought and inquiry, allows exploration of a variety of disciplines and learning experiences, and provides a solid foundation for further study at the baccalaureate level.
- Associate of Applied Science degrees provide applied or specialized studies that are used to satisfy a student’s specific educational needs. Many AAS programs prepare students for work in a particular field of employment. Some AAS degrees are designed to provide a foundation for a specific related baccalaureate degree. Students in AAS degree programs build knowledge and skills needed to carry out specific tasks while they develop abilities in the essential elements of communications, computation, and human relations.

GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS FOR UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATES, OCCUPATIONAL ENDORSEMENT CERTIFICATES, AND ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAMS
General University Requirements have been established for all certificate and degree programs at MSC/UAA.

UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATES
1. Students must be admitted to the program and must complete the certificate program requirements listed in the program section of this chapter.
2. When completing the last half of a certificate program, students must earn at least 50% of the credits in residence. For example, in a 30-credit certificate program, at least eight (8) of the last 15 must be resident credits. Additional residency credit requirements, to meet discipline or accreditation standards, may be established.
3. Students must earn a cumulative GPA of at least 2.00 (C) at MSC/UAA. Some certificate programs require higher GPAs.
4. Students must earn a minimum of 30 credits for an Undergraduate Certificate.
5. Students may elect to complete under the requirements of the catalog in effect at the time of formal acceptance to a certificate program or the catalog in effect at the time of graduation.
6. If the requirements for a certificate are not met within five (5) years of formal acceptance into the program, admission expires and the student must reapply for admission and meet the admission and graduation requirements in effect at the time of formal acceptance.
7. Students may earn more than one certificate by completing all requirements for each additional program.
8. Undergraduate Certificates that share a common core must differ by at least six (6) credits.
OCCUPATIONAL ENDORSEMENT CERTIFICATES
1. Students must be admitted to the program and must complete the certificate program requirements listed in the program section of this chapter.
2. Students must complete at least 30% of the program in residence at MSC/UAA. Additional residency credit requirements, to meet discipline or accreditation standards, may be established.
3. Students must earn a cumulative GPA of at least 2.00 (C) at MSC/UAA. Some certificate programs require higher GPAs.
4. Students must earn a minimum of nine (9) credits for an Occupational Endorsement Certificate.
5. Students may elect to complete under the requirements of the catalog in effect at the time of formal acceptance to a certificate program or the catalog in effect at the time of graduation.
6. If the requirements for a certificate are not met within five (5) years of formal acceptance into the program, admission expires and the student must reapply for admission and meet the admission and graduation requirements in effect at the time of formal acceptance. Program requirements may require completion in less than five (5) years.
7. Students may earn more than one certificate by completing all requirements for each additional program.
8. Note: Occupational Endorsement Certificates must differ by three (3) or more credits.

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE
The following requirements must be met for associate’s degrees to which students have been admitted:
1. Students must be admitted to the program and must complete the general education and degree requirements listed in this chapter.
2. Students must earn a minimum of 60 credits for an Associate of Arts degree.
3. Students must complete at least 15 credits in residence. Additional residency credit requirements, to meet program accreditation standards, may be established.
4. Students must earn a cumulative GPA of at least 2.00 (C) at MSC/UAA.
5. Students may elect to graduate under the requirements of the catalog in effect at the time of formal acceptance to an associate degree program or the catalog in effect at the time of graduation.
6. If the requirements for an associate degree are not met within five years of formal acceptance into the program, admission expires and the student must reapply for admission and meet the admission and graduation requirements in effect at the time of formal acceptance.
7. Students must complete a minimum of 60 credits at the 100-level or above, including at least 20 credits at the 200-level or above.
8. No more than 15 military credits can be applied to an Associate of Arts degree.

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREES
The following requirements must be met for Associate of Applied Science degrees:
1. Students must be admitted to the degree program and complete the General Course Requirements that follow this section.
2. Students must complete the major degree requirements listed in the program section of this chapter.
3. Students must earn a minimum of 60 credits for an AAS degree.
4. Students must complete at least 15 credits in residence. Additional residency credit requirements, to meet program accreditation standards, may be established.
5. Students must earn a cumulative GPA of at least 2.00 (C) at MSC/UAA. They must also earn a cumulative GPA of at least 2.00 in all courses required for each major. Some associate degree programs may require higher GPAs.
6. Students may elect to graduate under the requirements of the catalog in effect at the time of formal acceptance to an associate degree program or the catalog in effect at the time of graduation.
7. If the requirements for an associate degree are not met within five (5) years of formal acceptance into the program, admission expires and the student must reapply for admission and meet the admission and graduation requirements in effect at the time of formal acceptance.
8. All courses for an AAS degree must be at the 100-level or above.
9. No more than 15 military credits can be applied to an Associate of Applied Science degree.

MULTIPLE ASSOCIATE DEGREES OR CONCURRENT MAJORS
The Associate of Arts degree (AA) is intended to provide general education. Therefore, it includes no major specialty, and students may earn only one AA degree.

Associate degree-seeking students may graduate (during the same semester) with two degrees provided they have applied to and been accepted in both degree programs. (An Associate of Applied Science and Associate of Arts is an example.)

Students must submit a separate application for admission for each degree they expect to receive. Admission forms are available from Student Services.

Students seeking a second Associate degree must be admitted to the program and must complete the General University Requirements, the General Course Requirements for their primary program, the General Education Requirements (for the AA degree), the major or degree requirements for both programs, and at least 12 resident credits beyond the total number of credits required for the primary degree.
Students must satisfy the catalog requirements in effect at the time of acceptance into the degree program(s) or the catalog requirements in effect at the time of graduation.

**DOUBLE MAJORS FOR AAS PROGRAMS**
The Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree is intended to provide specialized education. Therefore, it does include a major specialty, and students may earn more than one AAS degree.

Associate of Applied Science degree-seeking students may apply to graduate (during the same semester) with two majors. For example, a student may select two areas from the approved majors within the Associate of Applied Science degree program (such as Accounting and Small Business Administration).

Students must apply and be accepted into each major program. Students may request a double major at the time of initial admission to MSC/UAA or add a major at a later date through the Change of Major degree process. Forms are available from Student Services.

Students must satisfy the General University Requirements, the General Course Requirements, and both sets of major requirements.

Students must satisfy the catalog requirements in effect at the time of acceptance into the major(s) or the catalog requirements in effect at the time of graduation.

A double major is not applicable to the Associate of Arts Degree.

**TRANSFER STUDENTS**
Students who have received a baccalaureate degree from another regionally accredited college or university and who want to obtain an associate degree from UAA/MSC must:
1. Meet program admission requirements.
2. Complete the General University Requirements but not the General Education or General Course Requirements.
3. Complete the Major Program Requirements.
ASSOCIATE OF ARTS (AA)
The Associate of Arts (AA) degree provides a solid foundation in mathematics and written and oral communication, the natural and social sciences, the humanities and fine arts. The AA degree prepares students for career advancement and baccalaureate programs and to better understand their world.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES
Students graduating with an Associate of Arts degree from MSC will be able to
• Communicate effectively with diverse audiences (individual, group, or public) using a variety of verbal and nonverbal communication strategies;
• Respond effectively to writing assignments using appropriate genres and standard written English;
• Use library and electronic research responsibly and appropriately;
• Identify, describe, and evaluate the aesthetic, historical, and philosophical aspects of material culture, including artistic expressions, language, and texts;
• Apply critical thinking skills to identify the premises and conclusions of arguments, evaluate their soundness, and recognize common fallacies;
• Use appropriate mathematical language and symbols to develop and communicate solutions, and demonstrate quantitative and analytical skills and knowledge;
• Articulate the fundamentals, developments, and impacts of one or more scientific disciplines; and develop and analyze evidence-based conclusions about the natural and social world.

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

Admission Requirements
Complete the Admission to Certificate and Associate Degree
Programs Requirements located in Chapter 6, “Academic Standards and Regulations.”

General University Requirements
Complete the General University Requirements for Associate of Arts Degrees located at the beginning of this chapter.

General Education Requirements
Complete the General Education Requirements for Associate of Arts Degrees outlined on this page.

Degree Requirements
All courses must be at the 100-level or above. At least 20 credits of the required 60 credits must be at the 200-level. If a student intends to complete the Associate of Arts degree and then continue on to a baccalaureate degree, consult the Advising Note for AA Students Who Plan to Pursue a Baccalaureate Degree on the following page.

General Education Requirements

1. Oral Communication Skills ............................... 3
   COMM A111 Fund. of Oral Communication (3)
   COMM A235 Small Group Communication (3)
   COMM A237 Interpersonal Communication (3)
   COMM A241 Public Speaking (3)

2. Written Communication Skills .............................. 6*
   ENGL A111 Methods of Written Comm. (3)
   and one of the following:
   ENGL A211 Academic Writing About Literature (3)
   ENGL A212 Technical Writing (3)
   ENGL A213 Writing in the Social/Ntral Sciences (3)
   ENGL A214 Persuasive Writing (3)
   CIOS A260A Business Communications (3)†

3. Humanities and Fine Arts ................................. 9*
   Three courses from the GER Classification List. At least one course each from the Humanities and Fine Arts areas.

4. Mathematical and Natural Sciences ..................... 9*
   MATH A105 Intermediate Algebra (3)†
   Or one course from the Quantitative Skills area of GER Classification List (3)
   Two Natural Science courses from the Natural Sciences area of GER Classification List. (3+3) (6)*

5. Social Sciences ........................................... 6*
   Two Social Science courses (from two different disciplines) from the Social Sciences area of GER Classification List.

Degree Completion Requirements

6. Electives ...................................................... 27*

7. Total Minimum Credits ................................. 60

† Please Note: CIOS A260A and MATH A105 do not meet the General Education Requirements for the baccalaureate degree.

* Advising Note for AA Students Who Plan to Pursue a Baccalaureate Degree:
AA students who plan to pursue a baccalaureate degree must take care in planning their curriculum. Please see an academic counselor and take note of the following:
• UAA baccalaureate students are required to complete 12 credits of Basic College-Level Skills from the Oral Communication, Written Communication, and Quantitative Skills areas of the General Education Classification List prior to completing 60 total degree applicable credits.
• Students with 60 credits or more who have not completed the Baccalaureate 12 credit Basic College-Level Skills requirement will have one full academic year to fulfill this requirement, after which they will be allowed to take additional courses as degree-seeking students. MATH A105 and CIOS A260A do not count toward completing the baccalaureate GER requirements.
• Students who plan to apply AA credits to a UAA baccalaureate (4-year) degree, and who know the program or major they are going to transfer into, should consult the General Education Requirements for their specific program or major. Programs often require specific GER courses for their majors. Students planning to transfer should use AA electives to fulfill prerequisites and requirements for their anticipated major.
• Students who plan to apply AA credits to a UAA baccalaureate (4-year) degree, and who do not know which program or major they wish to pursue, should plan as follows:

1. Oral Communication Skills ............................... 3
   COMM A111 Fund. of Oral Communication
   COMM A235 Small Group Communication
   COMM A237 Interpersonal Communication
   COMM A241 Public Speaking

2. Written Communication Skills .............................. 6
   ENGL A111 Methods of Written Communication
   and one of the following:
   ENGL A211 Academic Writing About Literature
   ENGL A212 Technical Writing
   ENGL A213 Writing in the Social/Ntral Sciences
   ENGL A214 Persuasive Writing
   CIOS A260A Business Communications (3)†

3. Humanities and Fine Arts ................................. 9
   One course from the Fine Arts area of the GER Classification List (3)
   Two courses from the Humanities area of the GER Classification List (6)

4. Mathematical and Natural Sciences ..................... 10
   One MATH/STAT course from the Quantitative Skills area of GER Classification List (3)
   Two Natural Science courses from the Natural Sciences area of GER Classification List, including a lab course (7)

5. Social Sciences ........................................... 6
   Two Social Science courses (from two different disciplines) from the Social Sciences area of GER Classification List.

Since the AA degree requirements are different from the 4-year degree requirements, AA students who pursue a baccalaureate degree may be required to take additional courses to satisfy the General Education Requirements for the 4-year degree after declaring their major.
GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS (GURs) FOR UAA BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

For complete information refer to the current UAA Catalog. To receive a baccalaureate degree from UAA, a student must be admitted* to the program and must satisfy: General University Requirements, General Education Requirements, school/college requirements, if applicable, and Major Program Requirements. General University Requirements for all baccalaureate degrees are as follows:

1. **Total Credits:** Students must earn at least 120 credits at the 100-level and above. Some degree programs require completion of additional credits.

2. **Upper Division Credits:** Students must earn at least 42 upper division credits, including 24 upper-division credits in residence. Some degree programs require completion of additional upper division credits.

3. **Resident Credit:** Students must earn at least 30 credits in residence. In addition, transfer students must earn in residence at least 12 credits in each major field and, where applicable, at least three (3) credits in each minor field. Additional residency credit requirements, to meet program accreditation standards, may be established.

4. **Minimum GPA:** Students must earn a cumulative GPA of at least 2.00 (C) at UAA. They must also earn a cumulative GPA of at least 2.00 (C) in all courses required for each major and each minor. Some degree programs may require higher GPAs.

5. **Controlling Catalog:**
   a. Students may elect to graduate under the requirements of the catalog in effect at the time of formal acceptance to a baccalaureate degree program or the catalog in effect at the time of graduation.
   b. If the requirements for a baccalaureate degree, as specified in the entry-level catalog, are not met within seven (7) years of formal acceptance into the program, admission expires and the student must reapply for admission and meet the admission and graduation requirements in effect at the time of formal acceptance.
   c. Students must follow established UAA procedures for declaring a major and for changing a major or degree. Students who change their major or degree must satisfy the catalog requirements for the new major or degree in effect at the time of the change.

6. **Military Credits:** No more than 30 military credits can be applied to a baccalaureate degree.

* A student may not be admitted to and graduate from a program in the same semester.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (GERs) FOR UAA BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

**PREAMBLE**

The GER provides students with a common educational experience in order to (1) provide a foundation for further study and (2) broaden the educational experience of every degree-seeking student. It is designed to promote an elevation of the student’s level in basic college-level skills (Tier 1), a breadth of exposure to traditional academic disciplines (Tier 2), and experience in applying his/her education in understanding and responding to the evolving state of knowledge and the world in the 21st Century (Tier 3).

**Tier 1: Basic College-Level Skills** 12 credits

The UAA GER begins with Basic College-Level Skills enhancement in written communication, oral communication, and quantitative skills:
- Courses in Written Communication and Oral Communication develop the critical reading, thinking, and communication skills (writing, speaking, and listening) necessary for personal and professional success.
- Courses in Quantitative Skills foster the analytical and mathematical abilities necessary for success in undergraduate study and professional life. Baccalaureate students are required to complete the 12 credits of Basic College-Level Skills (Oral, Written, and Quantitative) before completing 60 total degree applicable credits. Students may select approved Basic College-Level Skills, which may also fulfill requirements in their intended major. Faculty in English, Communication, and Mathematics provide placement criteria (which may require the completion of preparatory coursework).

**Tier 2: Disciplinary Areas** 22 credits

The GER continues with courses in four required disciplinary areas categorized by course content and academic discipline that are designed to guarantee a breadth of academic experience. These are Fine Arts, Humanities, Natural Science, and Social Science:
- Courses in the Fine Arts examine the historical, aesthetic, critical, and creative aspects of art.
- Courses in the Humanities consider the cultural, historical, literary, aesthetic, ethical, and spiritual traditions shaping the contemporary world.
- Courses in Natural Science present theoretical and descriptive approaches to understanding the natural and physical worlds. Lab courses in the Natural Sciences emphasize gathering data and analyzing hypotheses according to the scientific method.
- Courses in the Social Sciences explore insights about individuals, groups, and cultures derived from empirical methodologies.

Note: The 37-credit General Education Requirement, including the 3-credit Integrative Capstone, is required for graduation after September 2008 for baccalaureate students who were admitted to major or pre-major status under the 2005-2006 UAA Catalog or later catalogs.

**Tier 3: Integrative Capstone** 3 credits

For Baccalaureate students, the GER experience culminates with an Integrative Capstone, which includes courses from across the university that require a student to integrate knowledge of GER basic college-level skills (Tier 1) and/or disciplinary areas (Tier 2) as part of their course design.

Tier 3 (Integrative Capstone) courses may be taken only after the student has completed all Tier 1 (Basic College-Level Skills) requirements.
GER Advising Note: All students should consult a faculty or academic counselor for appropriate course selection.

- Baccalaureate students are required to complete 12 credits of Basic College-Level Skills (Oral, Written, and Quantitative) before completing 60 total degree applicable credits.
- Each of the eight General Education Classifications has a list of approved courses (see the General Education Classification List). Only courses from the GER Classification List may be used to satisfy a distribution area requirement.
- Courses used to satisfy distribution area requirements in General Education may also be used to satisfy School/College requirements and/or Degree/Program requirements, but no course may be counted in more than one General Education category.
- Courses ending with numbers _93 or _94 cannot satisfy a GER, and UAA courses not on the approved GER Classification List cannot be petitioned to meet a GER.

Note: The 37-credit General Education Requirement, including the 3-credit Integrative Capstone, is required for graduation after September 2008 for baccalaureate students who were admitted to major or pre-major status under the 2005-2006 UAA Catalog or later catalogs.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENT

STUDENT OUTCOMES

After completing the General Education Requirement, UAA students shall be able to:
1. Communicate effectively in a variety of contexts and formats.
2. Reason mathematically, and analyze quantitative and qualitative data competently to reach sound conclusions.
3. Relate knowledge to the historical context in which it developed and the human problems it addresses.
4. Interpret different systems of aesthetic representation and understand their historical and cultural contexts.
5. Investigate the complexity of human institutions and behavior to better understand interpersonal, group, and cultural dynamics.
6. Identify ways in which science has advanced the understanding of important natural processes.
7. Locate and use relevant information to make appropriate personal and professional decisions.
8. Adopt critical perspectives for understanding the forces of globalization and diversity; and
9. Integrate knowledge and employ skills gained to synthesize creative thinking, critical judgment, and personal experience in a meaningful and coherent manner.

PETITIONS FOR GENERAL EDUCATION AND/OR UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

Petitions pertaining to general education requirements and/or general university requirements must be processed through the Office of Academic Affairs, with final authority to deny or approve resting with the Provost. After the petition has received final approval or denial, the student is notified of the decision. Changes in course level, grading, or number of credits awarded are not petitionable. UAA courses not on the approved baccalaureate General Education Requirements (GER) list cannot be petitioned to meet a GER. For more information, see Academic Petition section in Chapter 6 of this Catalog or Chapter 7 of the UAA Catalog.

GENERAL EDUCATION CLASSIFICATION LIST

Courses listed here as satisfying General Education Requirements are also identified in the course description area of this Catalog.

TIER 1: BASIC COLLEGE-LEVEL SKILLS

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GER Classifications:

- Oral Communication Skills
- Quantitative Skills
- Written Communication Skills

Note: The 37-credit General Education Requirement, including the 3-credit Integrative Capstone, is required for graduation after September 2008 for baccalaureate students who were admitted to major or pre-major status under the 2005-2006 UAA Catalog or later catalogs.

Courses completed at MSC/UAA must be selected from the following Oral Communication courses:

- COMM A111 Fundamentals of Oral Communication
- COMM A235 Small Group Communication
- COMM A237 Interpersonal Communication
- COMM A241 Public Speaking

Courses completed at MSC/UAA must be selected from the following Quantitative Skills courses:

- MATH A107 College Algebra
- MATH A108 Trigonometry
- MATH A109 Precalculus
- MATH A172 Applied Finite Mathematics
- MATH A200 Calculus I
- MATH A201 Calculus II
- MATH A272 Applied Calculus
- STAT A252 Elementary Statistics
- STAT A253 Applied Stats for the Sciences
- STAT A307 Probability

Courses completed at MSC/UAA must be selected from the following Written Communication courses:

- ENGL A111 Methods of Written Comm.
- ENGL A211 Academic Writing About Literature
- ENGL A212 Technical Writing
**TIER 2: DISCIPLINARY AREAS**

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*Note: Music Majors must select courses outside the major.*

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<td>The humanities examine the characteristic of reality, the purpose of human existence, the properties of knowledge, and the qualities of sound reasoning, eloquent communication, and creative expression. They study the problems of right conduct in personal, social, and political life. They also consider the qualities of the divine, the sacred, and the mysterious. In these tasks the humanities reflect upon the world’s heritage of the arts, history, languages, literature, religion, and philosophy. Students who complete a content-oriented course in the humanities should be able to identify texts or objects, to place them in the historical context of the discipline, to articulate the central problems they address, and to provide reasoned assessments of their significance. Students who complete a skills-oriented humanities course in logic should be able to identify the premises and conclusions of brief written arguments, to evaluate their soundness or cogency, and to recognize common fallacies. They should also be able to use a formal technique to determine the validity of simple deductive arguments and to evaluate the adequacy of evidence according to appropriate inductive standards. Students who complete a skill-oriented humanities course in a language should demonstrate proficiency in listening, speaking and writing.</td>
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6. Natural Sciences .................................................. 7 CR
   (must include a laboratory course)
   The natural sciences focus on gaining an understanding of the
   matter, events and processes that form and sustain our universe.
   Methods of scientific inquiry are diverse, but all aim to formulate
   general principles that explain observations and predict future
   events or behaviors within their disciplines. Laboratory courses
   illustrate how scientists develop, test, and challenge scientific
   theories, providing an appreciation for the process and problems
   involved in the advancement of scientific knowledge. Students
   completing their natural sciences requirement will be able to
   apply the scientific method by formulating questions or
   problems, proposing hypothetical answers or solutions, testing
   those hypotheses, and reaching supportable conclusions. They
   will also demonstrate an understanding of the fundamentals of
   one or more scientific disciplines, a knowledge of the discoveries
   and advances made within that discipline and the impact of
   scientific information in sculpting thought and in providing
   the foundations for the technology in use at various times in history.
   Students completing the laboratory class will demonstrate the
   ability to work with the tools and in the settings encountered by
   professionals in the discipline, will critically observe materials,
   events or processes, and will accurately record and analyze their
   observations.

   Courses completed at MSC/UA must be selected from the
   following Natural Sciences courses:
   ASTR A103/L Solar System Astronomy
   ASTR A104/L Stars, Galaxies and Cosmology
   BIOL A102 Introductory Biology
   BIOL A103 Introductory Biology Laboratory
   BIOL A111 Human Anatomy and Physiology I
   BIOL A112 Human Anatomy and Physiology II
   BIOL A115 Fundamentals of Biology I
   BIOL A116 Fundamentals of Biology II
   BIOL A178 Fundamentals of Oceanography
   BIOL A179 Fund. of Oceanography Lab
   BIOL/CPLX A200 Intro to Complexity
   CHEM A103/L Survey of Chemistry
   CHEM A104/L Intro Organic Chem/Biochemistry
   CHEM A105/L General Chemistry I
   CHEM A106/L General Chemistry II
   ENVI/
   GEOG A211 Earth Systems: The Science and Geography of
   the Natural Environment
   ENVI/
   GEOG A211/L Earth Systems: The Science and Geography of
   the Natural Environment Laboratory
   GEOL A111 Physical Geology
   GEOL A115/L Environmental Geology
   GEOL A178 Fundamentals of Oceanography
   GEOL A179 Fund. of Oceanography Lab
   GEOL A221 Historical Geology
   LSIS A101 Discoveries in Science
   LSIS A102 Origins: Earth-Solar Systems-Life
   LSIS A201 Life on Earth
   LSIS A202 Concepts & Processes: Natural Sciences
   PHYS A101 Physics for Poets
   PHYS A123/L Basic Physics I
   PHYS A124/L Basic Physics II
   PHYS A211/L General Physics I
   PHYS A212/L General Physics II

7. Social Sciences .................................................. 6 CR
   (outside the major; from 2 different disciplines)
   The social sciences focus on the acquisition, analysis, and
   interpretation of empirical data relevant to the human
   experience. Disciplines differ in their focus on collective as
   opposed to individual behavior, biological as opposed to social or
   cultural factors, the present as opposed to the past, and
   quantitative as opposed to qualitative data. Students who
   complete a general education social sciences course should be
   motivated to reflect on the workings of the society of which they
   are a part and should possess a broad perspective on the
   diversity of human behavior. They should be able to distinguish
   between empirical and non-empirical truth claims. They should
   be aware of the limits of human objectivity and understand the
   rudiments of how ideas about social phenomena may be tested
   and verified or rejected. They should have an introductory
   knowledge of social science thinking which includes observation,
   empirical data analysis, theoretical models, quantitative
   reasoning, and application to social aspects of contemporary life.
   A student who has met the social science General Education
   Requirement is expected to be able to demonstrate knowledge of
   social science approaches and to apply that knowledge in a
   particular content area.

   Courses completed at MSC/UA must be selected from the
   following Social Sciences courses:
   ANTH A101 Introduction to Anthropology
   ANTH A200 Natives of Alaska
   ANTH A202 Cultural Anthropology
   ANTH A250 The Rise of Civilization
   BA A151 Introduction to Business
   CEL A292 Introduction to Civic Engagement
   ECON A201 Principles of Macroeconomics
   ECON A202 Principles of Microeconomics
   ECON A210 Environmental Economics and Policy
   EDEC A105 Introduction to the Field of Early Childhood
   ENVI A212 Living on Earth: People and the Environment
   GEOG/ INTL A101 Local Places/Global Regions: An Introduction
   to Geography
   HNRS A292 Honors Seminar in Social Science
   HS A220 Core Concepts in the Health Sciences
   HUMS/
   SWK A106 Introduction to Social Welfare
   INTL A101 Local Places: Global Regions/Introduction to
   Geography
   JPC A101 Media and Society
   JUST A110 Introduction to Justice
   JUST/
   SOC A251 Crime and Delinquency
   JUST A330 Justice and Society
   LSSS A111 Cultural Foundations of Human Behavior
   PARL A101 Introduction to Law
   PS A101 Introduction to American Government
   PS A102 Introduction to Political Science
   PS A311 Comparative Politics
   PS/SOC A351 Political Sociology
   PSY A111 General Psychology
   PSY A150 Lifespan Development
   SOC A101 Introduction to Sociology
   SOC A110 Introduction to Gerontology: Multidisciplinary
   Approach
   SOC A201 Social Problems and Solutions
   SOC A202 The Social Organization of Society
   SWK A243 Cultural Diversity and Community
   Service Learning
   WS A200 Introduction to Women’s and Gender Studies

TIER 3: INTEGRATIVE CAPSTONE

Classification .................................................. Credits
8. Integrative Capstone*** ........................................ 3

The GER experience culminates with the Integrative Capstone,
which includes courses from across the university that require
students to synthesize across GER domains. Integrative Capstone
courses include knowledge integration of GER Basic College-Level
skills (Tier 1) and/or Disciplinary Areas (Tier 2) as part of their
course design. Integrative Capstone courses should focus on
practice, study, and critical evaluation, and include in their
student outcomes an emphasis on the evolving realities of the
21st century. Students completing the Integrative Capstone
requirement must demonstrate the ability to integrate
knowledge by accessing, judging and comparing knowledge
gained from diverse fields and by critically evaluating their
own views in relation to those fields.

Courses completed at MSC/UAA must be selected from the
following Integrated Capstone courses:

ACCT A452 Auditing
ANTH A354 Culture and Ecology
ART A491 Senior Seminar
ATA A492 Air Transportation System Seminar
BIOL A378 Marine Biology
BIOL A452 Human Genome
BIOL/GENM/PHYS A456 Nonlinear Dynamics and Chaos
BIOL A489 Population Genetics and Evolutionary Processes
CA A495 Hospitality Internship
CE A438 Design of Civil Engineering Systems
CEL A450 Civic Engagement Capstone
CHEM A441 Principles of Biochemistry I
CIS A326 Information Age Literacy
CIS A376 Management Information Systems
CM A422 Sustainability in the Built Environment
CM A450 Construction Management Professional Practice
CS A470 Applied Software Development Project
CSE A438 Design of Computer Engineering Systems
DN A415 Community Nutrition
DNCE A370 Senior Seminar in Biological Systems
DNCE A378 Senior Seminar in Marine Biology
DSS A312 Individuals, Groups, and Institutions
EDFN A304 Comparative Education
EE A438 Design of Electrical Engineering Systems
ENGL A434 History of Rhetoric
ENGL A478 Public Science Writing
ENVI A470 Environmental Planning and Problem Solving
GEO A460 Geomatics Design Project
GEOL A456 Geoarcheology
HIST/INTL/PS A325 Northeast Asia in 21st Century
HIST A390A Themes in World History
HIST A427 Post-Soviet Culture and Society
HNRS A490 Senior Honors Seminar
HS A491 Health Issues in Alaska
HUMS A495B Human Services Practicum IV
INTL A315 Canada: Nation and Identity
JPC A403 Communications and Media Research
JUST A460 Justice in Crisis
LAW A488A Capstone Project I: Design and Research
LSIS A312 Individuals, Groups, and Institutions
MATH A420 History of Mathematics
ME A438 Design of Mechanical Engineering Systems
MEDT A302 Clinical Laboratory Education and Management
MUS A331 Form and Analysis
NS A411 Health II: Nursing Therapeutics
PEP A384 Cultural and Psychological Aspects of
Health and Physical Activity
PHIL A400 Ethics, Community, and Society
PS A492 Senior Seminar in Politics
PSY A370 Biological Psychology
RUSS A427 Post-Soviet Culture and Society
SOC A488 Capstone Seminar
STAT A308 Intermediate Statistics for the Sciences
SWK A431 Social Work Practice IV: Integrative Capstone
TECH A453 Capstone Project
THR A492 Senior Seminar

See Class Schedule for additional Integrative Capstone courses.

*** Note: The 37-credit General Education Requirement, including the 3-credit Integrative Capstone, is required for graduation after September 2008 for baccalaureate students who were admitted to major or pre-major status under the 2005-2006 UAA Catalog or later catalogs. (For specifics on catalog year requirements, see Chapter 7, Academic Standards and Regulations, Related Undergraduate Admissions Policies in the UAA Catalog).
ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE (AAS)

REQUIREMENTS
In order to receive an Associate of Applied Science Degree, students must be admitted to the program and must satisfy:

1. General University Requirements for Associate of Applied Science Degrees;

2. General Course Requirements for Associate of Applied Science degrees in Oral and Written Communications (nine credits total, see below).

3. General Course Requirements in designated disciplines. Choose Humanities*, Math, Natural Sciences, or Social Sciences courses from the General Course Requirement Classification List for Associate of Applied Science Degrees (see below.) Courses chosen must be at or above the 100-level.

*Any English course used to satisfy the Humanities general requirement must be different from the Written Communications Skills requirement and have a course number higher than ENGL A111.

A. Oral Communication Skills ........................................ 3
   COMM A111 Fund. of Oral Communication
   COMM A235 Small Group Communication
   COMM A237 Interpersonal Communication
   COMM A241 Public Speaking

B. Written Communication Skills ...................................... 6
   ENGL A111 Methods of Written Communication
   ENGL A211 Academic Writing About Literature
   ENGL A212 Technical Writing
   ENGL A213 Writing in the Social/Ntrl Sciences
   ENGL A214 Persuasive Writing
   CIOS A260A Business Communications

GENERAL COURSE REQUIREMENT CLASSIFICATION LIST FOR ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREES

These general course requirements are designed to ensure that all students graduating with AAS degrees have demonstrated fundamental written and oral communication skills and have successfully performed at the collegiate level in at least one of the listed discipline areas (Humanities, Natural Science, Mathematics or Social Science). The design of AAS degrees, like that of Undergraduate Certificates, ensures further that students gain some proficiency in essential skills of communication, computation and human relations. In the absence of specific required courses in these areas, the degrees address these topics in the major requirements and measure student performance in those classes.

**HUMANITIES**
- Alaska Native Studies
- American Sign Language
- Art
- Chinese
- Communication
- Creative Writing & Literary Arts
- Dance
- English *
- French
- German
- History
- Humanities
- Italian
- Japanese
- Korean
- Languages
- Latin
- Liberal Studies Integrated Core
- Linguistics
- Music
- Philosophy
- Political Science (PS A331, 332, & 333 only)
- Russian
- Spanish
- Theatre

**MATH AND NATURAL SCIENCES**
- Anthropology (ANTH A205 only)
- Astronomy
- Biological Sciences
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Environmental Studies (ENVI/GEOG A211 only)
- Geography (ENVI/GEOG A211/A211L only)
- Geology
- Liberal Studies Integrated Science
- Mathematics
- Philosophy (PHIL A101 only)
- Physics
- Statistics

**SOCIAL SCIENCES**
- Anthropology
- Business Administration (BA A151 only)
- Counseling
- Economics
- Environmental Studies (ENVI A212 only)
- Geography (except ENVI/GEOG A211/A211L)
- Health Sciences (HS A220 only)
- Human Services (HUMS A106 only)
- International Studies
- Journalism & Public Communications (JPC A101 only)
- Justice (JUST A110 and A330 only)
- Liberal Studies Social Sciences
- Paralegal Studies (PARL A101 only)
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Social Work (SWK A106 and SWK A243)
- Sociology
- Women’s Studies

* Any English course may be used to satisfy the Humanities general requirement, but must be different from the written communications requirement and have a course number higher than ENGL A111.
ACCOUNTING
Matanuska-Susitna College offers an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Accounting. The program is designed to prepare a student for a career in business, government, or other types of organizations. An AAS graduate will be qualified for vocationally oriented accounting positions. The program also lays the groundwork for the student who wishes to pursue a BBA in Accounting. MSC is committed to enhancing the lifelong learning opportunities for responsible citizenship and personal satisfaction where accounting and business dimensions are critical ingredients.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES
1. Demonstrate and utilize the major components of the accounting information system, recording transactions into various journals and ledgers, and prepare the primary financial statements for a sole proprietorship, partnership, or mail corporation including the Income Statement, Statement of Owner’s Equity (or Stockholder’s Equity), Balance Sheet, and Statement of Cash Flows.
2. Identify and analyze control problems and make recommendations for safeguarding the assets of a business.
3. Apply economic theory to decision-making and the analysis of a variety of private and public policy concerns using basic economic concepts and analytical tools.
4. Collect, summarize, disburse, and use various forms of information to aid in the running of a business.
5. Identify and apply elements of contract, tort, agency, property law, partnerships, corporations, UCC sales and secured transactions, banking and professional liability law.
6. Use word processing, spreadsheet, database, presentation, graphics and the internet browser software to solve complex accounting and business issues and report and display these solutions in a manner consistent with good business practice.
7. Communicate effectively and function on multidisciplinary teams and act with professionalism, integrity, and ethical behavior.
8. Identify, formulate, and solve organizational problems using appropriate accounting and business methodology.

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE
Accounting

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
See Admission to Certificate and Associate Degree Programs Requirements on page 38.

GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS
1. Complete the General University Requirements for Associate Degrees listed on page 68.
2. Complete the Associate of Applied Science General Degree Requirements (15 credits). To provide maximum transferability to the BBA in Accounting, it is recommended that a student consider the Bachelor of Business Administration General Education Requirements and business core requirements (refer to the current UAA Catalog) when selecting courses to fulfill the Associate of Applied Science general requirements and business electives. For example CIOS A260A does not satisfy the general education requirement for a baccalaureate degree.

AAS DEGREE REQUIREMENTS (15 credits):
Oral Communication Skills ................................................ 3
COMM A111 Fund. of Oral Communication (3)
COMM A235 Small Group Communication (3)
COMM A237 Interpersonal Communication (3)
COMM A241 Public Speaking (3)
Written Communication Skills .............................................. 6
ENGL A111 Methods of Written Communication (3)
and one of the following:
CIOS A260A Business Communication (3)
ENGL A211 Academic Writing About Literature (3)
ENGL A212 Technical Writing (3)
ENGL A213 Writing in the Social/Ntral Sciences (3)
ENGL A214 Persuasive Writing (3)
General Requirements .............................................................. 6
Choose Humanities*, Math, Natural Sciences, or Social Sciences courses from the General Requirement Course Classification List for AAS Degrees. Courses chosen must be at the 100-level or above.

* Any English course used to satisfy the Humanities general requirement must be different from the Written Communications Skills requirement and have a course number higher than ENGL A111.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS
1. Complete the following required courses (36 credits) with a grade of C or better:
   
   ACCT A101 Principles of Financial Acctg I (3)
   ACCT A102 Principles of Financial Acctg II (3)
   ACCT A202 Principles of Managerial Acctg (3)
   ACCT A210 Income Tax Preparation (3)
   ACCT A222 Intro to Computerized Accounting (3)
   ACCT A225 Payroll Accounting (3)
   ACCT A230 Workpaper Preparation & Presentation (3)
   BA A151 Introduction to Business (3)
   BA/JUST A241 Business Law I (3)
   CIS A110 Computer Concepts in Business (3)
   ECON A201 Principles of Macroeconomics (3)
   MATH A105 Intermediate Algebra (3)

2. Complete 9 credits of electives.
   Students may choose any course at the 100-level or above in ACCT, BA, CIOS, CIS, ECON, or LOG but may not use more than 6 credits from one discipline.

3. A total of 60 credits is required for the degree.

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ARCHITECTURAL & ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

The Architectural and Engineering Technology (AET) program provides entry-level skills, continuing education, and advanced technical skills in several specialized fields, including computer-aided design and drafting (CADD), 3-D modeling, and rendering. The AET program offers an Occupational Endorsement Certificate in CAD for Building Construction, four Undergraduate Certificates in the specialized areas of Architectural Drafting, Civil Drafting, Mechanical & Electrical Drafting, and Structural Drafting, and an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Architectural and Engineering Technology which encompasses all of these fields.

Students are trained to become skilled workers on architectural and engineering design teams. AET certificate and degree graduates are employed as drafters or technicians and work in private industry as well as municipal, state, or federal agencies. Drafters and technicians work in support of professional architects and engineers to produce the technical drawings used by construction workers to build everything from roads and bridges, to homes and office buildings, to oil and gas pipelines. Their drawings provide the visual guidelines that show the technical details of the products and structures to be constructed. These drawings specify dimensions, materials to be used, and procedures to be followed. Drafters and technicians fill in technical details by using drawings, rough sketches, specifications, codes, and calculations previously made by engineers, surveyors, or architects. Drafters and technicians use technical handbooks, tables, calculators, and computers to do this. Because many drafters and technicians may assist in design work, creativity is desirable.

Good communication skills and the ability to work well with others is also important as they are part of a team of architects, engineers, and other technicians.

Although courses taken may apply to the first two years of the four year degree program (i.e., BS in Technology), the AET AAS degree should not be considered preparatory or a substitute for professional degree programs in architecture or engineering. Students pursuing a four-year degree in engineering should contact the School of Engineering at UAA. Those students who anticipate pursuing a degree in architecture should contact the AET faculty for academic counseling prior to registration.

Students should expect to spend at least one hour outside work for each hour in class. Lab facilities are available for student use and hours are posted. Course offerings vary between fall and spring semesters with occasional courses offered during the summer. In addition to tuition and fees, students should expect to purchase books and equipment required for each course. However, other than required textbooks, supplies should not be purchased before the first class. Students are encouraged to use any resource to acquire texts before any class.

The AET Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree at Mat-Su College requires a minimum of three years to complete. AET Certificates require 2 years to complete.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Demonstrate skill and proficiency in computer-aided drafting and design.
2. Demonstrate knowledge of drafting conventions including symbols, linetypes, lineweights, and dimension styles as applicable to the design profession.
3. Visualize and translate drawing information to actual physical objects and completed construction components.
4. Understand the role and purpose of building codes and standards as they pertain to the life, health, and safety of the public.
5. Understand the elements of the construction document set and the role of construction documents as communication tools for the construction contract.
6. Understand the construction process from the transformation of an idea or need into a completed project.
7. Understand the role, duties, and responsibilities of the members of the design team, including the working relationship between technicians and professionals.
8. Demonstrate communication skills to be successful in the employment environment.
9. Demonstrate critical thinking and problem solving skills in the employment environment.

ADVISING

All students should meet with an academic counselor prior to their first semester and each subsequent semester for the purpose of reviewing their academic status and planning future courses. Attention should be specifically directed to the proof of eligibility for placement in MATH A105 and ENGL A111 as a non-coded registration restriction, checked during the first day of class, for the introductory classes within the programs. It is particularly important for students to meet with their advisor whenever academic difficulties arise.

Students are encouraged to consult the faculty in the AET program for assistance in designing their course of study to ensure all prerequisites have been met and that university and major degree requirements are understood and followed.

Students should expect to spend at least 1 hour on outside work for each hour in the class. Computer lab facilities are available for students’ use. Course offerings vary between fall and spring semesters with occasional short courses offered during the summer. Certain courses require prerequisites or faculty permission.

RECOMMENDED COURSE SEQUENCE

Not all AET courses are offered every semester. Students should consult the faculty in the AET program for assistance in designing their course of study to ensure that university and major degree requirements are understood and followed.

▲ OCCUPATIONAL ENDORSEMENT CERTIFICATE

CAD for Building Construction

Attention should be specifically directed to the proof of eligibility for placement in MATH A105 and ENGL A111 as a non-coded registration restriction, checked during the first day of class, for the introductory classes within the programs.

OCCUPATIONAL ENDORSEMENT CERTIFICATE OUTCOMES

At the completion of this program students are able to demonstrate:

1. Proficiency in the use of computer-aided design and drafting software in the creation and modification of construction documentation.
2. Proficiency in the management of the computer-aided design and drafting software environment for the accurate application and integration of industry standards.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

See Occupational Endorsement Certificate admissions in chapter 6 of this Catalog.

OCCUPATIONAL ENDORSEMENT CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

In order to receive the occupational endorsement certificate offered by the Architectural and Engineering Technology program, students must achieve a grade of C or better in all courses required for the Occupational Endorsement Certificate.

1. Complete the following courses:
   AET A101 Fundamentals of CADD for Building Construction 4
   AET A181 Intermediate CADD for Building Construction 4
   AET A282 Advanced CADD Techniques 4
   or AET A283 CADD Software Customization 3
2. A minimum of 11 credits are required for the Occupational
Endorsement Certificate.
The choice of AET A282 Advanced CADD Techniques is for students who wish to pursue skills for advanced rendering and animation within the software environment, while the AET A283 CADD Software Customization is for students who wish to pursue skills for developing and managing unique software environments, tools, and solutions outside of the default capabilities of the software.

### UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATES

The AET program offers four Undergraduate Certificates in the specialized areas of Architectural Drafting, Civil Drafting, Mechanical & Electrical Drafting, and Structural Drafting. While the introductory course work for all certificates is the same to establish a common theoretical foundation, the majority of the course work is specific and focused for standards and professional practice of each industry.

#### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Satisfy the Admission Requirements for Certificate and Associate Degree Programs Requirements on page 38.

#### COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Certain courses require prerequisites or faculty permission.

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

In order to receive a certificate offered by the AET Department, students must achieve a grade of C or better in all courses required for the certificate.

#### Architectural Drafting

**PROGRAM OUTCOMES**
The specific educational outcomes that support the program objectives are to produce graduates who are able to:

- Demonstrate skill and proficiency in computer-aided drafting and design.
- Demonstrate knowledge of drafting conventions including symbols, linetypes, lineweights, and dimension styles as applicable to architectural drafting.
- Visualize and translate drawing information to actual physical objects and completed architectural projects.
- Understand the role and purpose of building codes and standards as they pertain to the life, health, and safety of the public.
- Understand the role, duties, and responsibilities of the members of the design team, including the working relationship between technicians and architects.
- Understand the architectural elements of the construction document set and the role of construction documents as communication tools for the construction project.
- Understand the construction process from the transformation of an idea or need into a completed architectural project.
- Demonstrate communication skills to be successful in the employment environment.
- Demonstrate critical thinking and problem solving skills in the employment environment.

#### ARCHITECTURAL DRAFTING CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

1. Complete the following required courses:
   - AET A101 Fund of CADD for Bldg Constr (4)
   - AET A102 Methods of Building Constr (3)
   - AET A121 Architectural Drafting (3)
   - AET A123 Codes and Standards (3)
   - AET A181 Intermediate CADD for Bldg Constr (4)
   - AET A286 Design Project (4)
   - ENGL A111 Methods of Written Communication (3)
   - MATH A105 Intermediate Algebra (3)
   - Oral communication Course (3) Choose from one of the following: COMM A111, COMM A235, COMM A237, or COMM A241

   2. A total of 30 credits is required for the certificate.

#### Civil Drafting

**PROGRAM OUTCOMES**
The specific educational outcomes that support the program objectives are to produce graduates who are able to:

- Demonstrate knowledge of drafting conventions including symbols, linetypes, lineweights, and dimension styles as applicable to civil drafting.
- Visualize and translate drawing information to actual physical objects and completed civil construction projects.
- Understand the role and purpose of building codes and standards as they pertain to the life, health, and safety of the public.
- Understand the role, duties, and responsibilities of the members of the design team, including the working relationship between technicians and civil engineers.
- Understand the civil elements of the construction document set and the role of construction documents as communication tools for the construction contract.
- Understand the construction process from the transformation of an idea or need into a completed civil project.
- Demonstrate communication skills to be successful in the employment environment.
- Demonstrate critical thinking and problem solving skills in the employment environment.

#### CIVIL DRAFTING CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

1. Complete the following required courses:
   - AET A101 Fund of CADD for Bldg Constr (4)
   - AET A102 Methods of Building Constr (3)
   - AET A111 Civil Drafting (3)
   - AET A181 Intermediate CADD for Bldg Constr (4)
   - AET A213 Civil Technology (4)
   - AET A286 Design Project (4)
   - ENGL A111 Methods of Written Communication (3)
   - MATH A105 Intermediate Algebra (3)
   - Oral communication Course (3) Choose from one of the following: COMM A111, COMM A235, COMM A237, or COMM A241

   2. A total of 31 credits is required for the certificate.

#### Mechanical & Electrical Drafting

**PROGRAM OUTCOMES**
The specific educational outcomes that support the program objectives are to produce graduates who are able to:

- Demonstrate knowledge of drafting conventions including symbols, linetypes, lineweights, and dimension styles as applicable to the mechanical/electrical drafting.
- Visualize and translate drawing information to actual physical objects and completed mechanical/electrical construction projects.
- Understand the role and purpose of building codes and standards as they pertain to the life, health, and safety of the public.
- Understand the role, duties, and responsibilities of the members of the design team, including the working relationship between technicians and mechanical and electrical engineers.
- Understand the mechanical/electrical elements of the construction document set and the role of construction documents as communication tools for the construction contract.
- Understand the construction process from the transformation of an idea or need into a completed mechanical/electrical project.
- Demonstrate communication skills to be successful in the employment environment.
- Demonstrate critical thinking and problem solving skills in the employment environment.

#### MECHANICAL & ELECTRICAL DRAFTING CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

1. Complete the following required courses:
   - AET A101 Fund of CADD for Bldg Constr (4)
   - AET A102 Methods of Building Construction (3)
   - AET A142 Mechanical & Electrical Technology (4)
   - AET A143 Mechanical & Electrical Drafting (3)
   - AET A181 Intermediate CADD for Bldg Constr (4)
   - AET A286 Design Project (4)
   - ENGL A111 Methods of Written Comm (3)
   - MATH A105 Intermediate Algebra (3)
   - Oral communication Course (3) Choose from one of the following: COMM A111, COMM A235, COMM A237, or COMM A241

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2. A total of 31 credits is required for the certificate.

- **Structural Drafting**

**PROGRAM OUTCOMES**
The specific educational outcomes that support the program objectives are to produce graduates who are able to:
- Demonstrate skill and proficiency in computer-aided drafting and design.
- Demonstrate knowledge of drafting conventions including symbols, linetypes, linewidths, and dimension styles as applicable to structural drafting.
- Visualize and translate drawing information to actual physical objects and completed construction components.
- Understand the role and purpose of building codes and standards as they pertain to the health, safety, and health of the public.
- Understand the role, duties, and responsibilities of the members of the design team, including the working relationship between technicians and structural engineers.
- Understand the structural elements of the construction document set and the role of construction documents as communication tools for the construction contract.
- Understand the construction process from the transformation of an idea or need into a completed structural project.
- Demonstrate communication skills to be successful in the employment environment.
- Demonstrate critical thinking and problem solving skills in the employment environment.

**STRUCTURAL DRAFTING CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS**
1. Complete the following required courses:
   - AET A101 Fund of CADD for Bldg Constr (4)
   - AET A102 Methods of Building Constr (3)
   - AET A131 Structural Drafting (3)
   - AET A181 Intermediate CADD for Bldg Constr (4)
   - AET A231 Structural Technology (4)
   - AET A286 Design Project (4)
   - ENGL A111 Methods of Written Comm (3)
   - MATH A105 Intermediate Algebra (3)
   - Oral communication Course (3) Choose from one of the following: COMM A111, COMM A235, COMM A237, or COMM A241
2. A total of 31 credits is required for the certificate.

- **ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE**

**Architectural & Engineering Technology**

**PROGRAM OUTCOMES**
The specific educational outcomes that support the program objectives are to produce graduates who are able to:
- Demonstrate skill and proficiency in computer-aided drafting and design.
- Demonstrate knowledge of drafting conventions including symbols, linetypes, linewidths, and dimension styles as applicable to the design discipline.
- Visualize and translate drawing information to actual physical objects and completed construction components.
- Understand the role and purpose of building codes and standards as they pertain to the health, safety, and health of the public.
- Understand the role, duties, and responsibilities of the members of the design team, including the working relationship between technicians and professionals.
- Understand the elements of the construction document set and the role of construction documents as communication tools for the construction contract.
- Understand the construction process from the transformation of an idea or need into a completed project.
- Demonstrate communication skills to be successful in the employment environment.
- Demonstrate critical thinking and problem solving skills in the employment environment.

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**
Satisfy the Admission to Undergraduate Certificate and Associate Degree Programs requirements in Chapter 6, page 38.

**COURSE REQUIREMENTS**
Certain courses require prerequisites or faculty permission.

**GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**
In order to receive the AAS degree offered by the AET Department, students must achieve a grade of C or better in all courses required for the AAS degree.

**ADVISING**
Certain courses require prerequisites or faculty permission.

**ACADEMIC PROGRESS**
In order to receive the AAS degree offered by the AET Department, students must achieve a grade of C or better in all courses required for the AAS degree.

**GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS**
1. Complete the General University Requirements for Associate Degrees on page 68.
2. Complete General Degree Requirements for AAS degrees (15 credits). As part of the general course requirements, GEOL A111 is recommended.
   - Oral Communication Skills ........................................ 3
   - COMM A111 Fund of Oral Communication (3)
   - COMM A235 Small Group Communication (3)
   - COMM A237 Interpersonal Communication (3)
   - COMM A241 Public Speaking (3)
   - Written Communication Skills .................................... 6
   - ENGL A211 Methods of Written Comm (3)
   - and one of the following:
     - ENGL A212 Academic Writing About Lit (3)
     - ENGL A212 Technical Writing (3)
     - ENGL A213 Writing in the Social/Ntrl Sci (3)
     - ENGL A214 Persuasive Writing (3)
     - CIS A260A Business Communication (3)
   - General Requirements .............................................. 6
   - MATH A105 (3 credits counted under Major Requirements) and choose 3 credits from Humanities*, Math, Natural Sciences, or Social Sciences courses from the General Course Requirement Classification List for AAS Degrees. Courses chosen must be at the 100-level or above. GEOL A111 is recommended.
   * Any English course used to satisfy the Humanities general requirement must be different from the Written Communications Skills requirement and have a course number higher than ENGL A111.

**MAJOR REQUIREMENTS**
1. Complete the following required courses
   - AET A101 Fund of CADD for Bldg Constr 4
   - AET A102 Methods of Building Constr 3
   - AET A111 Civil Drafting 3
   - AET A121 Architectural Drafting 3
   - AET A123 Codes & Standards 3
   - AET A131 Structural Drafting 3
   - AET A142 Mechanical & Electrical Technology 4
   - AET A143 Mechanical & Electrical Drafting 3
   - AET A181 Intermediate CADD for Bldg Constr 4
   - AET A213 Civil Technology 4
   - AET A231 Structural Technology 4
   - AET A286 Design Project 4
   - MATH A105 Intermediate Algebra * 3
2. Electives ......................................................... 3
   - AET A295 is strongly recommended.
3. A total of 60 credits is required for the degree.
   * This course satisfies the General Course Requirements.

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COMPUTER INFORMATION AND OFFICE SYSTEMS

Administrative professionals are at the information center of every office and their titles reflect the shifting role they play and the increased responsibilities they have assumed. A few of these titles include administrative assistant, executive assistant, technical assistant, receptionist or information clerk, payroll assistant, information/database specialist, help-desk technician, and desktop or website publishing specialist.

The Computer Information and Office Systems (CIOS) program provides career education leading to an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree or Occupational Endorsement Certificates (OECs) that prepare students for career entry or advancement while developing and refining lifelong learning skills, fostering flexible career path options and building confidence to adapt to new technological demands in the workplace.

The CIOS program prepares entry-level, experienced, or workforce re-entry level office workers to successfully engage in business office environments where communication, technical, organizational, interpersonal, and teamwork skills are essential to business success. CIOS courses also cover topics that help prepare students for the Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) certification examinations and the Certified Administrative Professional (CAP) and Certified Professional Secretary (CPS) certification examinations.

In addition to structured classes, the Mat-Su College CIOS Skill Center provides an open entry/open exit enrollment for a student to learn a variety of skills on a self-paced basis. The following programs are available:

▲ OCCUPATIONAL ENDORSEMENT CERTIFICATES

OECs are designed to give students skills in a specific occupational field and indicate competence in a technical and professional area. The Occupational Endorsement Certificate areas are articulated with the AAS in Computer Information and Office Systems. Students must receive a satisfactory grade (C or higher, or P) in all required CIOS courses to be awarded an OEC. The CIOS Department offers the following OECs:

- Office Foundations, Bookkeeping Support, Medical Office Support, Office Digital Media, Office Support

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

See Occupational Endorsement Certificate admissions in Chapter 6 of this Catalog.

ADVISING

Students should contact the CIOS faculty for assistance with course planning toward Occupational Endorsement Certificates.

ACADEMIC PROGRESS

Students must earn a satisfactory grade (C or higher, or P) in all CIOS courses required for each certificate.

GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

See General University Requirements for Occupational Endorsement Certificates at the beginning of this chapter.

▲ OFFICE FOUNDATIONS

Provides foundational skills required for entry into the administrative office professional field.

OUTCOMES

Upon completion of this OEC, students will demonstrate:
- Keystroke skills of 28 net words per minute minimum.
- Entry level skills in word processing and spreadsheets.
- Entry level skills using the Internet to obtain information.
- Customer service skills.
- Knowledge of proper grammar and mechanics used in business documents.
- The ability to create and maintain an electronic file system.

REQUIREMENTS

1. All students must take the following basic computer skills courses or possess equivalent knowledge. Students may take challenge examinations or placement tests to prove proficiency in these areas. Beginning computer users are encouraged to take CIOS A113 Operating Systems: MS Windows as the first course.
   - CIOS A101A Keyboarding A: Basic Keyboarding
   - CIOS A113 Operating Systems: MS Windows
   - CIOS A130A Word Processing I: MS Word
   - CIOS A135A Spreadsheets I: MS Excel
   - CIOS A146 Internet Concepts and Applications
   - CIOS A161A Proofreading
   - CNT A165 Customer Service Fundamentals

2. A total of 9 credits is required for this OEC.

▲ BOOKKEEPING SUPPORT

Provides essential skills to handle financial transactions and recordkeeping.

OUTCOMES

Upon completion of this OEC, students will demonstrate:
- Basic skills in financial transactions, payroll, and bookkeeping procedures.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Must complete the 9-credit Office Foundations OEC before admission to this program.
2. Complete 1 credit from the following:
   - CIOS A101B Keyboarding B: Business Documents I (1)
   - CIOS A101C Keyboarding C: Business Documents II (1)
3. Complete 3 credits from the following:
   - ACCT A101 Principles of Financial Accounting I (3)
   - ACCT A120 Bookkeeping for Business I (3)
4. Complete the following 10 credits:
   - CIOS A115 10-Key for Business Calculations
   - CIOS A118 Payroll Procedures
   - CIOS A120A Bookkeeping Software Applications I: Quickbooks
   - CIOS A165 Office Procedures
   - CIOS A220A Bookkeeping Software Applications II: QuickBooks

5. A total of 14 credits is required for this OEC.

▲ MEDICAL OFFICE SUPPORT

Provides a solid foundation for individuals seeking a support position in a medical office.

OUTCOMES

Upon completion of this OEC, students will demonstrate:
- Keystroke skills of 35 net words per minute minimum.
- Effective communication using appropriate medical terminology.
- The ability to create and maintain a file system.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Must complete the 9-credit Office Foundations OEC before admission to this program.
2. Complete 1 credit from the following:
   - CIOS A101B Keyboarding B: Business Documents I (1)
   - CIOS A101C Keyboarding C: Business Documents II (1)
3. Complete the following 11 credits:
   - CIOS A140A Databases I: MS Access
   - CIOS A164 Filing
   - CIOS A264A Records Management
   - MA A101 Medical Terminology I
   - MA A120 Medical Office Procedures
   - MA A140 Essentials of Human Disease (3)
   - MA A140 Medical Transcription I (2-3)
   - MA A220 Coding for the Medical Office (3)

5. A total of 15 credits is required for this OEC.
OFFICE DIGITAL MEDIA
Builds on the Office Foundations OEC with basic skills in website maintenance and desktop publishing sometimes required of administrative assistants in an office setting.

OUTCOMES
Upon completion of this OEC, students will demonstrate:
• The ability to design and create business-quality electronic and print documents using a variety of media (digital imaging, website design, and desktop publishing programs).

REQUIREMENTS
1. Must complete the 9-credit Office Foundations OEC prior to admission to this program.
2. Complete 1 credit from the following:
   - CIOS A101B Keyboarding B: Business Documents I (1)
   - CIOS A101C Keyboarding C: Business Documents II (1)
3. Complete the following 11 credits:
   - CIOS A108 Digital Design Fundamentals (1)
   - CIOS A152A Digital Imaging Concepts and Applications: Photoshop (3)
   - CIOS A153B Website Design: Dreamweaver (3)
   - CIOS A251A Desktop Publishing Concepts and Applications: InDesign (3)
   - CIOS A259 Preparing Electronic Documents: Adobe Acrobat (1)
4. Complete 3 elective credits approved by the CIOS Department: (Suggested Courses:
   - CIOS A153A Website Design: HTML (1)
   - CIOS A156 Web Graphics: Fireworks (1)
   - Programming or related courses (1-3)
5. A total of 15 credits is required for this OEC.

OFFICE SUPPORT
Builds on the Office Foundations OEC with additional skills an administrative assistant would typically use in an office setting.

OUTCOMES
Upon completion of this OEC, students will demonstrate:
• Keystroke skills of 35 net words per minute minimum.
• Entry level skills in managing data using a variety of media.
• The ability to develop digital presentations and documents using a variety of media.

REQUIREMENTS
1. Must complete the 9-credit Office Foundations OEC prior to admission to this program.
2. Complete the following required courses:
   - CIOS A101B Keyboarding B: Business Documents I (1)
   - CIOS A101C Keyboarding C: Business Documents II (1)
   - CIOS A115 10-Key for Business Calculations (2)
   - CIOS A125A Electronic Communications: MS Outlook (1)
   - CIOS A140A Databases I: MS Access (1)
   - CIOS A150A Presentations: MS PowerPoint (1)
   - CIOS A164 Filing (1)
   - CIOS A165 Office Procedures (3)
   - CIOS A259 Preparing Electronic Documents: Adobe Acrobat (1)
3. A total of 13 credits is required for this OEC.

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE
Computer Information and Office Systems
This Associate of Applied Science Degree program prepares students for career entry or career advancement in a variety of office settings and also offers skill building for personal use. It provides students with the technical, administrative, and human relations skills required of office professionals. Both the Office Foundations and the Office Support Occupational Endorsement Certificates articulate directly into this degree.

OUTCOMES
Upon completion of this program, students will demonstrate:
• Keyboarding skills of 40 net words per minute minimum.
• Intermediate skills that utilize advanced features of word processing, spreadsheet, and database software.
• Oral and written communications skills that meet business standards.
• Application of critical thinking skills to make effective decisions and solve problems.
• Professional behavior and interpersonal skills.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
See Associate of Applied Science admissions in Chapter 6 of this catalog.

ADVISING
Students should contact the CIOS faculty for assistance with course planning toward the Associate of Applied Science Degree.

ACADEMIC PROGRESS
Students must earn a satisfactory grade (C or higher, or P) in all CIOS courses required for the degree.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS
A. GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS
1. Complete the General University Requirements for Associate Degrees located at the beginning of this chapter.
2. Complete the Associate of Applied Science General Degree Requirements located at the beginning of this chapter. CIOS A260A, ENGL A212, and PSY A153 recommended.

B. MAJOR REQUIREMENTS
1. Complete the 9-credit Office Foundations OEC.
   - CIOS A101A Keyboarding A: Basic Keyboarding (1)
   - CIOS A113 Operating Systems: MS Windows (1)
   - CIOS A130A Word Processing I: MS Word (1)
   - CIOS A135A Spreadsheets I: MS Excel (1)
   - CIOS A146 Internet Concepts and Applications (2)
   - CIOS A161A Proofreading (2)
   - CNT A165 Customer Service Fundamentals (1)
2. Complete the 13-credit Office Support OEC.
   - CIOS A101B Keyboarding B: Business Documents I (1)
   - CIOS A101C Keyboarding C: Business Documents II (1)
   - CIOS A115 10-Key for Business Calculations (2)
   - CIOS A125A Electronic Communications: MS Outlook (1)
   - CIOS A140A Databases I: MS Access (1)
   - CIOS A150A Presentations: MS PowerPoint (2)
   - CIOS A164 Filing (1)
   - CIOS A165 Office Procedures (3)
   - CIOS A259 Preparing Electronic Documents: Adobe Acrobat (1)
3. Complete the following 15 credits:
   - CIOS A102 Keyboarding Skill Building (1)
   - CIOS A230A Word Processing II: MS Word (2)
   - CIOS A235A Spreadsheets II: MS Excel (2)
   - CIOS A240A Databases II: MS Access (2)
   - CIOS A262A Professional Development (3)
   - CIOS A264A Records Management (2)
   - CIOS A265 Office Management (3)
4. Complete 3 credits of the following:
   - ACCT A101 Principles of Financial Accounting I (3)
   - ACCT A120 Bookkeeping for Business I (3)
   - ACCT A201 Principles of Financial Accounting (3)
5. Complete 3 credits from the following:
   - CIOS A261A Interpersonal Skills in Organizations (3)
   - or HUMS/PSY A153 Human Relations (3)
6. Complete 1-3 credits from the following:
   - CIOS A276A Independent Project (1-3)
   - or CIOS A295 Office Internship (1-3)
7. Complete a minimum of 1 elective credit
8. A total of 60 credits is required for this degree.

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COMPUTER SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY

An Associate of Applied Science in Computer Systems Technology provides skills and education for qualified workers in the field of Network and Systems Administration. The degree is designed to teach students both the business and IT-related concepts needed to enter the workforce as a Systems Administrator and Technician. Four, full-time semesters are required to complete the degree program. An AAS in CST can be earned by completing a series of specific technical, business, and general education courses.

Graduates with an AAS in Computer Systems Technology can be employed as systems administrators and in a wide variety of other positions in the Information Technology field. Graduates of this program will have a firm understanding of a wide variety of technical concepts, from the latest version of the Windows Operating System to routing and switching technology using Cisco equipment. Graduates will also have a wide body of knowledge in vendor neutral and theoretical concepts and practices.

Both the Matanuska-Susitna and Kodiak campuses offer the degree program.

The program objective is the development of a well trained workforce for the State of Alaska. Since many jobs in the computer technology sector are predicted to grow at high rates in the coming decade, this degree program was designed to train essential employees for that sector.

The educational objectives of the Computer Systems Technology program are to produce graduates who:

1. Have sufficient technical competence to obtain employment as an entry level technician and to be able to progress professionally within the discipline and are prepared for advanced study.
2. Are able to communicate their ideas.
3. Are able to work within a team environment.
4. Are able to apply their knowledge and skills to create and operate networked computer systems that provide solutions and add to the capabilities of business organizations.
5. Demonstrate their understanding of professional and ethical behavior in the workplace.

Students graduating from this program will demonstrate:

1. Proficiency in operating system, utility software and network installation and configuration.
2. Proficiency in computer hardware, software and network operation, trouble shooting and upgrades. Demonstrate familiarity with hardware, software and network security features.
3. Management of user accounts and group accounts in a MS Windows workgroup and/or domain.
4. Ability to identify, design, and implement a network services management strategy.
5. Setup, configuration, and management of a router to include: router interfacing, command line editing, startup, setup, and configuration.
6. Proficiency in the management of Local Area Networks (LANs).
7. Application of customer service principles, including relationships, perceptions, telephone techniques, quality, ethics, record keeping, interpersonal relationships, and teamwork.
8. Application of business principles and the fundamentals of investment, finance, organization, operation and management within a business entity.
9. Application of project management principles and practices, and use of appropriate project management software in the workplace.

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

Computer Systems Technology

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

See Certificate and Associate Degree Programs Admission Requirements in the current MSC Catalog. Additionally, all students are required to take CIS A105 or possess equivalent knowledge prior to entering this degree program.

ACADEMIC PROGRESS

In order to receive an Associate Degree in Computer Systems Technology, students must achieve a grade of C or higher in all courses undertaken and applied to the degree.

GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

1. Complete the General University Requirements for Associate Degrees listed in the MSC Catalog.
2. Complete the Associate of Applied Science General Degree Requirements (including Oral Communications and ENGL A111) listed in the MSC Catalog.

AAS DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Oral Communication Skills (3 credits):
COMM A111 Fundamentals of Oral Comm (3)
COMM A235 Small Group Communication (3)
COMM A237 Interpersonal Communication (3)
COMM A241 Public Speaking (3)

Written Communication Skills (6 credits):
ENGL A111 Methods of Written Comm. (3)
ENGL A212 Technical Writing (3) * major requirement

General Requirements (6 credits):
Satisfied under Major Requirements.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

1. Complete the following required courses:
   - BA A151 Introduction to Business (3)
   - BA A231 Fundamentals of Supervision (3)
   - CNT A160 PC Operating Systems (3)
   - CNT A165 Customer Service Fundamentals (1)
   - CNT A170 Cisco Academy Network Fundamentals (3)
   - CNT A210 PC Technician Fundamentals (3)
   - CNT A212Network Technician Fundamentals (3)
   - CNT A240 Windows System Essentials (2)
   - CNT A241 Administering & Supporting Windows Workstations & Server (3)
   - CNT A242 Windows Network Infrastructure Admin (3)
   - CNT A243 Windows Directory Services Administration (3)
   - CNT A244 Designing Secure Windows Networks (3)
   - CNT A245 Windows Directory Services Design (2)
   - CNT A246 Windows Network Infrastructure Design (2)
   - CNT A261 Cisco Academy Router Fundamentals (3)
   - CNT A270 Cisco Academy Switch & Intermediate Routing (3)
   - CNT A271 Cisco Academy WAN Mgt (3)
   - CNT A276 Independent Project (3)

   -or-
   - CNT A282 Work Study (3)
   - MATH A105 Intermediate Algebra (3)
   - or-
   - MATH A107 College Algebra (4)
   - or-
   - MATH A172 Applied Finite Math (3)

2. Students are required to meet a 2-credit Project Management requirement. See academic counselor for more information. CIS A270 is recommended.

3. A total of 63-64 credits is required for the degree.

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FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES TECHNOLOGY
The Fire and Emergency Services Technology program provides entry-level knowledge and skills for students planning a career in emergency services as well as knowledge and skill for the career firefighter.

The Associate of Applied Science Degree has a technical core which follows the National Fire Academy's Fire and Emergency Service Higher Education's model core curriculum for two year degree programs. The technical core consists of courses in Principles of Emergency Services, Building Construction, Fire Prevention, Fire Hydraulics, Protection Systems, and Fire Behavior and Combustion. Each student must complete the technical core as well as Math A105 or higher, a natural science with lab, and remaining AAS general education requirements. The student also has four options from which to choose: Fire Suppression, Fire Administration, Emergency Medical Services, or Wildland Firefighting. It may take more than 2 years to complete the degree.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES
Graduates of the Fire and Emergency Services Technology program are prepared to:
• Discuss the history, support organizations, resources, incident management, training, and emergency operations and relate how each plays a role within emergency services.
• Define and use basic terms and concepts associated with the chemistry and dynamics of fire.
• Relate how fire prevention and fire inspections are connected.
• Demonstrate the importance of public education in relation to fire prevention.
• Identify the equipment and systems used in control and extinguishment of fire.
• Identify the five types of building construction and their uniqueness under fire conditions.
• Calculate water flow, friction loss, and gallon per minute flow for a given scenario.

ADVISING
All student are encouraged to meet with their academic counselor each semester for the purpose of reviewing their academic progress and planning future courses. It is particularly important for students to meet with their academic counselor whenever academic difficulties arise.

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
Satisfy the Admission to Certificate and Associate Degree Programs Requirement in Chapter 6, "Academic Standards and Regulations." Although it is not required, it is highly recommended that students be a member of a paid or volunteer fire department prior to or shortly after being admitted to the program.

ACADEMIC PROGRESS
In order to progress within the Associate of Applied Science Fire and Emergency Services Technology program, students must earn a satisfactory grade (C or higher or S) in all Fire and Emergency Service (FIRE) courses required for the degree.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS
1. Complete the General University Requirements for Associate Degrees located at the beginning of this chapter.
2. Complete the Associate of Applied Science General Degree Requirements (15 credits) located at the beginning of this chapter.
3. Complete the Major Requirements.

AAS DEGREE REQUIREMENTS (15 credits):

Oral Communication Skills (3 credits):
COMM A111 Fundamentals of Oral Comm (3)
COMM A235 Small Group Communication (3)
COMM A237 Interpersonal Communication (3)
COMM A241 Public Speaking (3)

Written Communication Skills (6 credits):
ENGL A111 Methods of Written Comm. (3)
ENGL A212 Technical Writing (3)

General Requirements (6 credits):
Satisfied under Major Requirements.
*Any English course used to satisfy the Humanities general requirement must be different from the Written Communications Skills requirement and have a course number higher than ENGL A111.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS
1. Complete the following required courses (28 credits):
   FIRE A101 Principles of Emergency Services 3
   FIRE A105 Fire Prevention 3
   FIRE A121 Fire Behavior and Combustion 3
   FIRE A202 Fire Protection Hydraulics and Water Supply 3
   FIRE A206 Building Construction for Fire Protection 3
   FIRE A214 Fire Protection Systems 3
   MATH 105 or Higher 3
   Natural Science w/Lab (Recommend CHEM 103/L) 4
   Social Science (PS, PSY, or SOC) 3
   Math, Natural Science, and Social Science may also meet AAS General Course Requirements.

2. Complete 12 credits in one of the following options:
   Fire Suppression - Option 1
   FIRE A107 Strategy and Tactics 3
   FIRE A117 Rescue Practices (3) 3
   or FIRE A151 Wildland Fire Control I (3) 3
   FIRE A123 Fire Investigation I 3
   FIRE A203 Hazardous Materials Chemistry I 3
   Fire Administration - Option 2
   FIRE A111 Fire Administration I 3
   FIRE A170 Occupational Safety and Health for Fire Service 3
   FIRE A201 Principles of Emergency Management (3) 3
   or FIRE A230 Fire Department Organizational Theory and Behavior (3) 3
   FIRE A220 Legal Aspects of Emergency Services 3
   Emergency Medical Services - Option 3
   EMT A130 Emergency Medical Technician I 6
   EMT A230 Emergency Medical Technician II 3
   EMT A231 Emergency Medical Technician III (3) 3
   or FIRE A117 Rescue Practices (3) 3
   Wildland Firefighting - Option 4
   FIRE A151 Wildland Fire Control I 3
   FIRE A155 Wildland Fire Behavior 3
   FIRE A157 Wildland Air Operations and Safety 3
   FIRE A159 Wildland Fire Operations Functions 3

3. Complete an additional 11 credits from any FIRE, FSA, or EMT course or from the general education list that will lead towards a baccalaureate degree. (Advisor approval required for general education courses) 11

4. A total of 60 credits is required for the degree.
HUMAN SERVICES

The Human Services program leads to an Associate of Applied Science degree and prepares a student to work effectively in any paraprofessional counseling and human service practice. The MSC Associate of Applied Science in Human Services is articulated with the UAA Baccalaureate Degree in Human Services in two plus two sequence. Employing a multidisciplinary approach, the degree objective is to provide a student with a conceptual and skill foundation suitable for successful Human Service practice in both urban and rural settings. Human Service practice requires multicultural understanding and respect of clients through a collaborative relationship founded upon a developmental model. Specific skill courses combined with practica are strengthened through conceptual course work in Human Services, Social Work, Sociology, and Psychology. The program also offers specialized areas in substance abuse, disabilities, general human services, and family and youth. These are coordinated with practicum placements to give a student first-hand experience in his/her desired specialty.

An important part of the program is Human Services advising. Prospective students should contact an academic counselor before entering the program. Entrance into the Human Services Practicum requires admission to the degree, successful completion of specified courses and recommendation of the Human Services Department. Contact the Human Services Department at 745-9757 for an appointment with faculty.

Both the Human Services AAS and BHS are accredited by the Council for Standards in Human Services Education.

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STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Demonstrate skills and knowledge that makes them eligible to work in community based agencies and settings. Skills will include such areas as interviewing and assessment, problem solving, client service planning and delivery, as well as core counseling competencies.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of multiple human services delivery systems and community resources.
3. Will be qualified to obtain entry-level employment in a variety of community settings.
4. Develop, integrate and apply their acquired skills in assessment, interviewing, treatment planning and delivery, and counseling in an agency based, supervised, field practicum experience, demonstrating professional behavior.

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Human Services

Graduates of this program are able to:
• Analyze and navigate community based human services agencies, service delivery systems and secure a variety of community resources.
• Utilize a strengths-based approach to working with people and their problems in living.
• Effectively use intervention, and core paraprofessional counseling skills.
• Apply their acquired human services skills in a service agency, to include assessment, interviewing, treatment planning, service delivery, and paraprofessional counseling.
• Demonstrate consolidation of knowledge through three areas of learning including:
  • understanding of an agency, its target population and services delivered, and interaction with their community partners
  • development of their professional selves and identities with appropriate use of supervision
  • application of client/community intervention skills
• Qualify for employment in the human services workforce.
• Build on their human services degrees as a foundation for further education.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

See Admission to Undergraduate Programs on page 38.

GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

1. Complete the General University Requirements for the Associate Degrees listed on page 68.
2. Complete the Associate of Applied Science General Degree Requirements (15 credits).
   Oral Communication Skills (3 credits):
   • COMM A111 Fund of Oral Communication (3)
   • COMM A235 Small Group Communication (3)
   • COMM A237 Interpersonal Comm (3)
   • COMM A241 Public Speaking (3)
   Written Communication Skills (6 credits):
   • ENGL A111 Methods of Written Comm (3)

ENGL A211 Academic Writing About Lit (3)
ENGL A212 Technical Writing (3)
ENGL A213 Writing in the Social/Natural Sci (3)
ENGL A214 Persuasive Writing (3)
CIOS A260A Business Communications (3)

General Requirements (6 credits)
Choose one or a combination of Humanities*, Math, Natural Sciences, or Social Sciences courses. (See Associate Degree Course Classifications list on page 77.) Courses chosen must be at the 100-level or above.

* Any English course used to satisfy the Humanities general requirement must be different from the written communications requirement and have a course number higher than ENGL A111.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

1. Complete the following required courses: (27 credits):
   • ANTH A200 Natives of Alaska (3)
   or ANTH A202 Cultural Anthropology (3)
   • HUMS A101 Introduction to Human Services (3)
   • HUMS/SWK A106 Introduction to Social Welfare (3)
   • HUMS A223 Intro to Paraprofessional Counseling I (3)
   • HUMS A295A Human Services Practicum I (3)
   • HUMS A295B Human Services Practicum II (3)
   • HUMS A324 Intro to Paraprofessional Couns II (3)
   • PSY A111 General Psychology (3)
   • PSY A150 Lifespan Development (3)

2. Complete 6 credits from one of the emphasis areas.

Note: Each Human Services degree requires a 6 credit emphasis area. Selected courses may only be used in one emphasis area.

General Human Services Emphasis

Complete 6 credits from the following:
• HUMS/PSY A153 Human Relations (3)
• HUMS A256 Groups and Organizations (3)
• HUMS A350 Men and Masculinity (3)
• PSY A245 Child Development (3)
• PSY A261 Research Methods in Psychology (4)
• PSY A345 Abnormal Psychology (3)
• SOC A202 Social Organization of Society (3)
• SOC A242 An Intro to Marriage/Family/Intmt Rel (3)
• SOC A246 Adolescence (3)
• SOCPsy A453 Appl of Stats to Soc Sciences (3)

Substance Abuse Emphasis

Complete 6 credits from the following:
• HUMS A122 Substance Abuse/Contemporary Problem (3)
• HUMS A123 Public Education and Prevention in Substance Abuse (3)
• HUMS A124 Intro to Physiology/Pharmacology of Substance Abuse (3)
• HUMS A226 Intervention Continuum/Substance Abuse Counseling (3)
• HUMS A416 Substance Abuse and the Older Adult (3)
• SWK A471 Addictions and Social Work (3)
- **Family and Youth Emphasis**
  Complete 6 credits from the following:
  - HUMS A350 Men and Masculinity (3)
  - HUMS A416 Substance Abuse and the Older Adult (3)
  - PSY A245 Child Development (3)
  - SOC A242 An Intro to Marriage/Family/Intmtr Rel (3)
  - SOC A246 Adolescence (3)

- **Disabilities Emphasis**
  Complete 6 credits from the following:
  - ASL A101 Elem American Sign Language I (3)
  - ASL A102 Elem American Sign Lang. II (3)
  - ASL A201 Int American Sign Language I (3)
  - PSY A445 Strategies of Behavior Change (3)
  - PSY A455 Mental Health Services in Alaska (3)

3. **Choose 12 credits of electives in consultation with faculty advisor or academic counselor.**

4. **A total of 60 credits is required for the degree.**
PARAMEDICAL TECHNOLOGY

Paramedics provide pre-hospital emergency care to acutely ill or injured patients under medical authority of licensed physicians. Individuals interested in pursuing a career as a paramedic should possess significant strength to lift and carry victims, good use of hands and fingers, good coordination, good judgment and emotional stability, as well as the ability to work confidently under pressure. Students successfully completing the degree requirements and the PMED courses meet the U.S. Department of Transportation National Standards for Paramedics are eligible to take the National Registry examination required for licensure.

Two primary requirements of the Paramedic program are clinical rotations and the field internship. Clinical rotations provide instruction and supervised practice of emergency medical skills in various units of hospitals within the Anchorage and Mat-Su borough areas. The field internship provides experience in advanced life support vehicles such as ambulances, helicopters, and fixed wing aircraft. Student interns are the third member of the medical/ rescue team and work under the direct supervision of a paramedic preceptor. Internship sites are arranged in various U.S. locations. Efforts are made to place students in geographic locations of their choice; however, intern positions may not be available at all approved sites. Length of internship varies depending on the call volume at the location and successful application of paramedic skills.

Both the Mat-Su and Kenai campuses offer the program.

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Paramedical Technology

Graduates of the Paramedical Technology program will have the ability to:

1. Understand their roles and responsibilities as a program within an EMS system by applying the basic concepts of development, pathophysiology and pharmacology to assess and manage patients with emergency medical needs;
2. Maintain a patient’s airway, oxygenate, and ventilate a patient and be able to take a proper history and perform a comprehensive physical examination;
3. Properly administer medications and communicate effectively with other healthcare providers including physicians, nurses, and other allied health personnel; and
4. Integrate pathophysiological principles and assessment findings to formulate a field impression and implement a treatment plan for trauma and medical patients of all ages.

ADVISING
Advising for Mat-Su College (MSC) students for this program is only available from the Paramedic faculty at MSC. Please call (907) 746-9329 for more information.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
Admission to the KPC/MSC Paramedic programs is competitive and based on a ranking process. Program applications can be requested through the department or downloaded via the Internet. Application requirements must be completed prior to the May 15 application deadline.

Admission Requirements for Paramedical Degree - Pre-Major - Kenai Peninsula College and Mat-Su College only.

Students should consider applying for admission as a “pre-major” in Paramedical Technology while enrolled in other Paramedical Technology degree prerequisite courses. While being a pre-major is not required, you may be eligible for financial aid since you will be considered a degree-seeking student. Students enrolled as Paramedical Technology pre-majors are still required to obtain a KPC or MSC campus-specific Certificate of Admission.

Admission as a Paramedical Technology pre-major does not guarantee admission to the Paramedical Technology degree program.

Applications for the degree program that starts each fall must still be submitted by the May 15 deadline. Formal admission requirements to the Paramedical Technology AAS degree program are listed below:

1. Certificate of Admission from the Office of Admissions, including transcripts from both high school/GED and college, with transcript evaluations (if any). Documentation from college transcripts must show successful completion of BIOL A111 and BIOL A112 with laboratories and grades of 2.00 C or above.
2. Student must attend an advising session with the KPC or MSC Paramedic coordinator. Contact your campus (listed above) for an appointment.
3. Paramedic Program Application and Confidential Required Information form sent to the Paramedic coordinator
   a. Copy of current National Registry EMT-Basic or State of Alaska EMT-1 certificate
   b. Evidence of current Healthcare Provider or equivalent, CPR Card
   c. Copies of all current medical certifications or licenses
   d. Military DD-214 (long form); if applicable
   e. Complete Anatomy & Physiology I and II (BIOL A111, BIOL A112; 8 credits); with a minimum C grade.
   f. Take and submit to the program coordinator the scores from the Nurse Entrance Test (NET). It is scheduled through the KPC, MSC, or UAA testing center where you intend to take the examination.
   g. Resume with three letters of recommendation
   h. Admissions essay
4. Upon completion of items 1-3, student files are ranked based on a point system. The top 20 (KPC) or 25 (MSC) applicants will be notified and invited for oral interviews by a selection committee. The top 15 (KPC) or 16 (MSC) will be accepted into the program.

The remaining standby applicants will be ranked and offered a position should an accepted applicant decline admission. Please contact department for further details. Students will be contacted in June with their results.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS BEFORE BEGINNING COURSEWORK

Once admitted to the Paramedic program, students are required to provide the following before actually beginning coursework.

1. Provide documentation from personal physician, PA-C, or NP affirming capability of performing the physical tasks as outlined by the DOT 1998 Paramedic Curriculum.
2. Evidence of:
   a. Immunity to rubella and mumps confirmed by titer;
   b. Immunity to hepatitis A and hepatitis B, confirmed by titer (first semester clinical students may be in the process of completing the immunization series; for those students, documentation of immunity by titer is required prior to entry into PMED A295 course);
   c. Immunity to chicken pox documented by history, titer or current immunization;
   d. Diphtheria/tetanus vaccination within the past 10 years (with booster required at the time of expiration);
   e. Freedom from active tuberculosis, documented annually by negative PPD skin test or by health examination by a nurse practitioner, physician, or physician’s assistant;
   f. Documentation of HIV testing annually (results not required to be submitted to KPC/MSC).
3. Healthcare Provider or equivalent CPR certificate must be kept current.
4. Professional liability insurance in the amount of $1 million/$3 million must be maintained throughout the duration of the student’s enrollment in the Paramedic program. The policy will be paid out of student lab fees.
5. Submit results of a state- and national-level criminal background check. Must be completed prior to the start of courses. This process can take several months to complete.
6. Document having been found free of illegal drugs. Tests must be taken and results submitted to the Paramedic coordinator after being accepted into the program, and before the first day of class.

Students enrolled in clinical courses must provide their own transportation to clinical assignments and will be required to purchase uniforms and specialized equipment. The college assumes no responsibility for illnesses and injuries experienced by students in
conjunction with their clinical experiences; students who are injured while completing clinical assignments are responsible for all associated medical costs. No workers compensation will be awarded if injured on a clinical site, or during the field internship. It is strongly recommended that students maintain personal medical insurance.

ACADEMIC PROGRESS
1. Students are required to earn a grade of 3.00 B or higher in each PMED course. Failure to maintain a passing grade of B will result in dismissal from the program.
2. Students MUST complete all General Degree courses (English, communications and math) before they register for or begin their ride-along internship (PMED A295).

GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS
Complete the General University and the General Course Requirements for Associate of Applied Science Degrees located at the beginning of this chapter.

Communication Requirements (9 credits)
- Oral communication – COMM A111 is recommended (3)
- Written communication - ENGL A111 is required and ENGL A212 is recommended (6)

Natural Science Requirements (8 credits)
- BIOL A111 and BIOL A112 are required prerequisites for admission into the Paramedic program and also fulfill the general requirements for the AAS degree.

Math Requirements (3 credits)
- MATH A105 Intermediate Algebra (or higher) 3

Major Requirements (48 credits)
- PMED A241 Paramedicine I (8)
- PMED A242 Clinical Rotation I (4)
- PMED A251 Paramedicine II (8)
- PMED A252 Clinical Rotation II (4)
- PMED A261 Paramedicine III (8)
- PMED A262 Clinical Rotation III (4)
- PMED A295 Paramedical Internship (12)

A total of 68 credits is required for the degree.

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REFRIGERATION & HEATING TECHNOLOGY

Four Occupational Endorsement Certificates, one Undergraduate Certificate, and an Associate of Applied Science degree in Refrigeration and Heating are available. Satisfactory completion of the four specialty certificates will qualify a student for the Undergraduate Certificate in Refrigeration and Heating Technology. The A.A.S. degree may be earned by obtaining the Undergraduate Certificate in Refrigeration and Heating Technology and successfully completing the General University and General Course Requirements for an Associate degree. A student satisfactorily completing the requirements for a certificate or the degree will possess a background in heating, air-conditioning, applied physics, mathematics, electricity, and the technical skills required to diagnose and repair modern commercial and residential heating, refrigeration, air-conditioning, and ventilation systems.

All students enrolling in the R&H program must take a standardized placement test in reading, writing, and mathematics. The faculty place heavy emphasis on student preparation for job entry-level skills.

Professional tests related to the industry are administered as part of this program. If possible, additional training may take place on the job to provide a student with work related experience. Students must successfully pass all of the classes listed in the Core Requirements module before attempting any of the specialty certificate courses.

The Refrigeration and Heating Technology program is offered only through Matanuska-Susitna College.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES AND EXPECTED OUTCOMES

The curriculum of the Matanuska-Susitna College Refrigeration and Heating Program is designed to produce graduates able to:

2. Use mathematical skills required to succeed in HVAC/R trades.
3. Understand and describe the function of individual components that make up HVAC/R systems.
4. Work safely with tools, torches, electricity, refrigerants, heating fuels, and other equipment and material associated with HVAC/R work.
5. Follow work practices that are environmentally responsible.
6. Obtain employment as an entry level HVAC/R technician and be able to advance professionally.
7. Work effectively with customers, employers, and co-workers.
8. Systematically troubleshoot HVAC/R systems.
9. Apply municipal, state, and national mechanical codes to decisions involving the design, installation, operation and maintenance of HVAC/R systems.

▲ OCCUPATIONAL ENDORSEMENT CERTIFICATES

ADMISSION

Satisfy the admissions requirements for Occupational Endorsement Certificates in Chapter 6 of this Catalog. Students must achieve an acceptable score on placement tests in Reading, Writing and Mathematics.

ADVISING

Students are urged to meet with a faculty advisor prior to enrollment in RH classes.

ACADEMIC PROGRESS

Prerequisites: Certain courses require prerequisites or faculty permission.

Students must pass all courses listed in Core Requirements before attempting any of the specialty courses.

CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

Students seeking an R&H certificate must complete the following core requirements.

▲ CORE REQUIREMENTS (12 credits):

RH A103 Technical Math/Industrial Trades (3)
RH A105 Electrical Circuits for R & H I (3)
RH A109 Principles of Thermodynamics (3)
RH A209 Codes for HVAC/R (2)
RH A211 Customer Relations & Job Etiquette (1)

▲ RESIDENTIAL AND LIGHT COMMERCIAL HEATING & VENTILATION

1. Complete the Core Requirements
2. Complete the following certificate requirements (11 credits):
   RH A203 HVAC/R Basic Controls (3)
   RH A225 Heating Fund./Forced Air Heat (4)
   RH A228 Advanced Hydronic Heat Systems (4)
3. A total of 23 credits is required for the Occupational Endorsement Certificate.

▲ COMMERCIAL HVAC SYSTEMS

1. Complete the Core Requirements
2. Complete the following certificate requirements (10 credits):
   RH A226 Commercial HVAC/R Systems (4)
   RH A229 HVAC/R Control Systems (3)
   RH A232 HVAC/R Sheet Metal (3)
3. A total of 22 credits is required for the Occupational Endorsement Certificate.

▲ RESIDENTIAL AND LIGHT COMMERCIAL AIR-CONDITIONING AND REFRIGERATION

1. Complete the Core Requirements
2. Complete the following certificate requirements (10 credits):
   RH A101 Refrigeration/Air-Conditioning Fund (4)
   RH A126 Electrical Circuits for R & H II (3)
   RH A132 Troubleshooting HVAC/R Systems (3)
3. A total of 22 credits is required for the Occupational Endorsement Certificate.

▲ COMMERCIAL REFRIGERATION SYSTEMS

1. Complete the Core Requirements
2. Complete the following certificate requirements (12 credits):
   RH A101 Refrigeration/Air Conditioning Fund (4)
   RH A122 Refrigeration & Air Conditioning (4)
   RH A201 Commercial & Ammonia Refriger. (4)
3. A total of 24 credits is required for the Occupational Endorsement Certificate.

▲ UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

See Admission to Undergraduate Certificate and Associate degrees on page 38. Students must achieve an acceptable score on placement tests in Reading, Writing and Mathematics.

ADVISING

Students are urged to meet with a faculty advisor prior to enrolling in RH courses.

ACADEMIC PROGRESS

Earn a cumulative GPA of 2.0 (C) or higher in required R&H courses to receive the certificate.

GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

Complete the General University Requirements for Certificates listed on page 68.

Certificate Requirements

1. Complete the following required courses: (51 credits)
   First Year, First Semester (Fall)
   RH A101 Refrigeration/Air Conditioning Fund (4)
   RH A103 Technical Math/Industrial Trades (3)
   RH A105 Electrical Circuits for R & H I (3)
   RH A109 Principles of Thermodynamics (3)
   First Year, Second Semester (Spring)
   RH A122 Refrigeration & Air Conditioning (4)
   RH A126 Electrical Circuits for R & H II (3)
Second Year, First Semester (Fall)
- RH A201 Commercial/Ammonia Refrigeration (4)
- RH A203 HVAC/R Basic Controls (3)
- RH A209 Codes for HVAC/R (2)
- RH A211 Customer Relations & Job Etiquette (1)
- RH A225 Heating Fund & Forced Air Heat (4)

Second Year, Second Semester (Spring)
- RH A226 Commercial HVAC/R Systems (4)
- RH A228 Advanced Hydronic Heat Systems (4)
- RH A229 HVAC/R Control Systems (3)
- RH A232 HVAC/R Sheet Metal (3)

2. A total of 51 credits is required for the certificate.

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
See Admission to Undergraduate Certificate and Associate degrees on page 38. Students must achieve an acceptable score on placement tests in Reading, Writing and Mathematics.

ADVISING
Students are urged to meet with a faculty advisor prior to enrolling in RH courses.

ACADEMIC PROGRESS
Earn a cumulative GPA of 2.0 (C) or higher in required R&H courses to receive the AAS.

AAS DEGREE REQUIREMENTS
1. Complete the General University Requirements for Associate Degrees listed on page 68.
2. Complete the Associate of Applied Science general degree requirements (15 credits).
   - Oral Communication Skills (3 credits):
     COMM A111 Fund of Oral Communication (3)
     COMM A235 Small Group Communication (3)
     COMM A237 Interpersonal Communication (3)
     COMM A241 Public Speaking (3)
   - Written Communication Skills (6 credits):
     ENGL A111 Methods of Written Comm (3)

   and one of the following:
   - ENGL A211 Academic Writing About Lit (3)
   - ENGL A212 Technical Writing (3)
   - ENGL A213 Writing in the Social/Natural Sci (3)
   - ENGL A214 Persuasive Writing (3)
   - CIOS A260A Business Communication (3)

General Requirements (6 credits):
Choose one or a combination of Humanities*, Math, Natural Sciences, or Social Sciences courses. (See Associate Degree Course Classifications list on page 77.) Courses chosen must be at the 100-level or above.

* Any English course used to satisfy the Humanities general requirement must be different from the written communications requirement and have a course number higher than ENGL A111.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS
1. Complete the following required courses: (51 credits)

First Year, First Semester (Fall)
- RH A101 Refrigeration/Air Conditioning Fund (4)
- RH A103 Technical Math/Industrial Trades (3)
- RH A105 Electrical Circuits for R & H I (3)
- RH A109 Principles of Thermodynamics (3)

First Year, Second Semester (Spring)
- RH A122 Refrigeration & Air Conditioning (4)
- RH A126 Electrical Circuits for R & H II (3)
- RH A132 Troubleshooting HVAC/R Systems (3)

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Matanuska-Susitna College offers an Associate of Applied Science degree in Small Business Administration. This is a professional program designed to meet the challenges of a dynamic and changing business environment.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES
1. Define and demonstrate an understanding of the foundations of contemporary business.
2. Demonstrate the principles of profit in business, issues of social responsibility, and forms of business ownership.
3. Describe roles of management in the specialized fields of human resources, finance, production and marketing.
4. Describe entrepreneurship, the steps in starting a small business, basic management concepts, fundamentals of selling, marketing, financial and internal controls, and legal/governmental controls.
5. Demonstrate an understanding of the supervisor’s role and the development of planning, organizing, motivating, and controlling.
6. Demonstrate an elementary understanding of business law and the ability to identify and apply elements of contract, tort, agency, and property law.
7. Understand the fundamental concepts underlying the preparation of primary financial statements, financial statement analysis, cash flow planning, capital assets, budgeting and long term debt financing.
8. Demonstrate an understanding of marketing strategy and marketing concepts to include the nature of marketing and its environment, selecting target markets and developing a market mix: product, price promotion and distribution.
9. Demonstrate skills to sell themselves, products, services and ideas by using the steps of the selling process, buyer behavior, communication, and the market mix.

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Small Business Administration

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
See Admission to Undergraduate Programs on page 38.

GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS
1. Complete the General University Requirements for Associate Degrees listed on page 68.
2. Complete the Associate of Applied Science General Degree Requirements (15 credits). To provide maximum transferability, it is recommended that students consider the Bachelor of Business Administration General Education Requirements and business core requirements (refer to the current UAA Catalog) when selecting courses to fulfill the Associate of Applied Science general requirements.

Oral Communication Skills (3 credits):
COMM A111 Fundamentals of Oral Comm (3)
COMM A235 Small Group Communication (3)
COMM A237 Interpersonal Communication (3)
COMM A241 Public Speaking (3)

Written Communication Skills (6 credits):
ENGL A111 Methods of Written Comm (3)
ENGL A211 Academic Writing About Lit (3)
ENGL A212 Technical Writing (3)
ENGL A213 Writing in the Social/Natural Sci (3)
ENGL A214 Persuasive Writing (3)
CIOS A260A Business Communication (3)

General Requirements (6 credits): Choose one or a combination of Humanities*, Math, Natural Sciences, or Social Sciences courses. (See Associate Degree Course Classifications list on page 77.) Courses chosen must be at the 100-level or above.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (45 credits):
1. Complete the required support courses (12-16 credits):
   ACCT A101 Principles of Financial Accounting I (3)
   and ACCT A102 Prin of Financial Acct II (3)
   or ACCT A201 Prin of Financial Acct (3)
   ACCT A202 Principles of Managerial Accounting (3)
   CIS A110 Computer Concepts in Business (3)
   MATH A105 Intermediate Algebra (3)
   or MATH A107 College Algebra (4)
   or MATH A172 Applied Finite Math (3)

Note: MATH A105 will not satisfy the Quantitative Skills General Education Requirement for the baccalaureate degree.

2. Complete the required BA core courses (21 credits):
   BA A151 Introduction to Business (3)
   BA A166 Small Business Management (3)
   BA A231 Fundamentals of Supervision (3)
   BA A233 Survey of Finance (3)
   BA/JUST A241 Business Law I (3)
   BA A260 Marketing Practices (3)
   BA A264 Personal Selling (3)

3. Complete 9-12 credits of electives from the following:
   BA A131 Personal Finance (3)
   BA/JUST A242 Business Law II (3)
   BA A273 Intro to Statistics for Business/Economics (3)
   LGOP A110 Logistics, Information, and Customer Service (3)
   LGOP A120 Warehouse and Inventory Control Operations (3)
   LGOP A160 Purchasing and Supply Management (3)
   or any 300-level business course provided the prerequisites have been met. All ACCT, BA, CIS, ECON, LGOP, and LG are considered business courses.*

*Students who may decide to pursue a Bachelor of Business Administration degree can maximize transferability of their credits by taking MATH A107 or MATH A172, BA A273, and any 300-level business course as long as prerequisites have been completed.

4. A total of 60 credits is required for the degree.

Note: Students planning to go on to a BBA Accounting degree must have a grade of C or better in all business courses.

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRONICS and COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY

The Telecommunications, Electronics and Computer Technology (TECT) program provides entry-level skills and career education to meet the demand for well-trained technicians in the computer electronics, telecommunications and electronics industries. The TECT program offers an Occupational Endorsement Certificate in Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA) and two undergraduate certificates in the specialized areas of Telecommunications and Electronics Systems (TES), and Computer and Networking Technology (CNT). Both certificates require more than 2 semesters to complete. An Associate of Applied Science degree in Telecommunications, Electronics and Computer Technology can be earned by completing additional required technical and general education courses.

Graduates from the TECT program can be employed as skilled technical support workers in fields including communications, microchip manufacturing, and computer support and repair in private industry as well as municipal, state and federal agencies.

Both the Anchorage campus and the Mat-Su campus offer the TECT A.A.S. degree and are collaborative sites for the Fairbanks-based, statewide Information Technology Specialist (ITS), which offers a certificate and an associate degree. The Anchorage campus offers the full program with the CNT and TES certificates and degree tracks, and the Matanuska-Susitna College offers the CNT certificate and degree track. Students should consult an academic counselor for assistance with curriculum planning toward certifications such as A+, Net+, CCNA, ICSA Customer Service, Microsoft Certified Professional, and other industry-recognized standards.

OCCUPATIONAL ENDORSEMENT CERTIFICATE

▲ Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA)

CERTIFICATE DESCRIPTION AND OUTCOMES
At the completion of this certificate program students are able to demonstrate:

1. Proficiency in Cisco router installation and configuration in multi-protocol internetworks using LAN and WAN switches.
2. Proficiency in Cisco switch and VLAN installation and configuration.
3. Entry-level tasks of planning, design, installation, operation and troubleshooting Ethernet and TCP/IP networks.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
See Occupational Endorsement Certificate admissions in Chapter 6 of this catalog.

ADVISING
Students should consult an academic counselor for assistance with curriculum planning toward certifications.

GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS
See general university requirements for Occupational Endorsement Certificates at the beginning of this chapter.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

1. Complete the following courses:
   - CNT A170 Cisco Academy Network Fund (4)
   - CNT A261 Cisco Academy Router Fund (4)
   - CNT A270 Cisco Academy & Switching Intermediate Routing (4)
   - CNT A271 Cisco Academy WAN Management (3)

2. A total of 15 credits is required for the Occupational Endorsement Certificate.

● UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE

TECT - Computer and Networking Technology

CERTIFICATE DESCRIPTION AND OUTCOMES
This certificate program prepares students to install, configure, operate and repair networks used to connect computing and digital communications systems of various types. At the completion of the program students are able to demonstrate:

1. Proficiency in PC troubleshooting and repair.
2. Competence in entry-level tasks of planning, design, installation, and troubleshooting Ethernet and TCP/IP networks.
3. Computer literacy in PC applications and operating systems.
4. Entry-level employability skills for computer and network technicians.
5. Job upgrade skills for technicians and professionals.
6. Proper customer service skills.
7. Proficiency in Cisco router installation and configuration in multiprotocol inter-networks.
8. Proficiency in Cisco switch and VLAN installation and configuration.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
See Undergraduate Certificate Admissions in Chapter 6 of this Catalog.

ADVISING
Students should consult an academic counselor for assistance with curriculum planning toward certifications.

GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS
See general university requirements for Undergraduate Certificates at the beginning of this chapter.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

1. Complete the following requirements (29 credits):
   - CNT A160 PC Operating Systems (3)
   - CNT A162 PC Building, Upgrading/Architecture (3)
   - CNT A165 Customer Service Fundamentals (1)
   - CNT A170 Cisco Academy Network Fund. (4)
   - CNT A180 PC Interfacing/Peripherals/Strg & A+ (4)
   - CNT A183 Local Area Networks & Net+ (3)
   - CNT A261 Cisco Academy Router Fund. (4)
   - CNT A270 Cisco Acad Int. Routing/Switching (4)
   - CNT A271 Cisco Academy WAN Management (3)

2. Complete six (6) credits from the following courses:
   - CNT A262 Computer Technical Support (2)
   - CNT A264 Introduction to Information Security (3)
   - CNT A272 Cisco Wireless Networking (3)
   - CNT A290 Selected Topics in Information Technology (1-3)

3. Complete five (5) credits from the following courses:
   - CNT A240 Windows System Essentials (2)
   - CNT A241 Administrating And Supporting Windows Workstations & Servers (3)
   - CNT A280 Server Operating Systems (3)

4. Complete three (3) credits from the following courses:
   - CIOS A113 Operating Systems: MS Windows (1)
   - CIOS A120A Bookkeeping Software Appl: QuickBooks (1)
   - CIOS A130A Word Processing II: MS Word (1)
   - CIOS A130B Word Processing I: WordPerfect (1)
   - CIOS A135A Spreadsheets I: MS Excel (1)
   - CIOS A146 Internet Concepts & Applications (2)
   - CIOS A150A Presentations: MS PowerPoint (2)
   - CIS A105 Introduction to Personal Computers and Applications Software (3)
   - CIS A110 Computer Concepts in Business (3)
   - CNT A290 Selected Topics in Information Technology (1-3)

5. Complete three (3) credits from the following courses:
   - PRPE A108 Introduction to College Writing (3)
   - ENGL A109 Introduction to Writing in Academic Contexts (3)
   - OR Written Communications GER (3)
   (Note: English A111 is required for the AAS degree.)

6. A total of 46 credits is required for the certificate.
ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE
TECT - Computer and Networking Track

DEGREE DESCRIPTION AND OUTCOMES
At the completion of the Computer and Networking Technology track of this associate degree program, students are able to demonstrate:
1. Computer literacy in PC applications and operating systems.
2. Entry-level employability skills for computer and network technicians.
3. Proficiency in Cisco router installation and configuration in multiprotocol internetworks.
4. Proficiency in Cisco switch and VLAN installation and configuration.
5. Entry-level tasks of planning, design, installation, operation and troubleshooting Ethernet and TCP/IP networks.
6. Proficiency in PC troubleshooting and repair.
7. The installation configuration and troubleshooting of Microsoft operating systems.
8. The configuration and maintenance of network and computer system security.
9. Proper customer service skills.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
See Associate Degree Admission Requirements in Chapter 6 of this Catalog.

GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS
Complete the General University and General Course Requirements for Associate of Applied Science Degrees listed at the beginning of this chapter. (15 Credits)

GENERAL COURSE REQUIREMENTS
Complete the General Course Requirements for AAS degrees listed at the beginning of this chapter.

AAS DEGREE REQUIREMENTS (15 credits):

- Oral Communication Skills (3 credits):
  - COMM A111 Fund of Oral Communication (3)
  - COMM A235 Small Group Communication (3)
  - COMM A237 Interpersonal Communication (3)
  - COMM A241 Public Speaking (3)

- Written Communication Skills (6 credits):
  - ENGL A111 Methods of Written Comm (3)
  - ENGL A211 Academic Writing About Lit (3)
  - ENGL A212 Technical Writing (3)
  - ENGL A213 Writing in the Social/Natural Sci (3)
  - ENGL A214 Persuasive Writing (3)
  - CIOS A260A Business Communication (3)

General Requirements (6 credits):
- Choose one or a combination of Humanities*, Math, Natural Sciences, or Social Sciences courses. (See Associate Degree Course Classifications list on page 77.) Courses chosen must be at the 100-level or above.

* Any English course used to satisfy the Humanities general requirement must be different from the written communications requirement and have a course number higher than ENGL A111.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS
Complete one of the following tracks:

COMPUTER AND NETWORKING TRACK (52 credits)
1. Complete the following requirements (29 credits):
   - CNT A160 PC Operating System (3)
   - CNT A162 PC Building/Upgrading/Architecture (3)
   - CNT A165 Customer Service Fundamentals (1)
   - CNT A170 Cisco Academy Network Fund. (4)
   - CNT A180 PC Interfacing, Peripherals, Storage & A+ (4)
   - CNT A183 Local Area Networks & Net+ (3)
   - CNT A261 Cisco Academy Router Fund. (4)
   - CNT A270 Cisco Academy Intermed Routing/Switching (4)
   - CNT A271 Cisco Academy WAN Management (3)

2. Complete nine (9) credits from the following courses:
   - CNT A262 Computer Technical Support (2)
   - CNT A264 Introduction to Information Technology (3)
   - CNT A272 Cisco Wireless Networking (3)
   - CNT A276 Independent Project (3)
   - CNT A282 Work Study (3)
   - CNT A290 Selected Topics in Information Technology (1-3)

3. Complete eight (8) credits from the following courses:
   - CNT A240 Windows System Essentials (2)
   - CNT A241 Administering and Supporting Windows Workstations and Servers (3)
   - CNT A242 Windows Network Infrastructure Adminis (3)
   - CNT A280 Server Operating Systems (3)

4. Complete three (3) credits from the following courses:
   - CIS A185 Intro to Programming Business Applications (3)
   - CS A101 Introduction to Computer Science (3)
   - CS A109 Computer Programming (3)
   - CS A110 Java Programming (3)
   - CS A111 Visual Basic.NET (3)

5. Complete three (3) credits form the following courses:
   - CIOS A113 Operating Systems: MS Windows (1)
   - CIOS A120A Bookkeeping Software Appl I: QuickBooks (1)
   - CIOS A130A Word Processing I: MS Word (1)
   - CIOS A130B Word Processing I: WordPerfect (1)
   - CIOS A135A Spreadsheets I: MS Excel (1)
   - CIOS A146 Internet Concepts & Applications (2)
   - CIOS A150A Presentations: MS PowerPoint (2)
   - CIS A105 Introduction to Personal Computers and Applications Software (3)
   - CIS A110 Computer Concepts in Business (3)
   - CNT A290 Selected Topics in Information Technology (1-3)

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VETERINARY ASSISTING
The Veterinary Assisting program is offered through Matanuska-Susitna College.

▲ OCCUPATIONAL ENDORSEMENT CERTIFICATE
Veterinary Assisting

A Veterinary Assistant plays a vital role within the veterinary profession. In the Veterinary Assisting Occupational Endorsement Certificate Program, students learn how to assist and support the veterinarian and the veterinary technician in their daily tasks. Students will learn the fundamentals required for the care, treatment, and management of both the animals as patients and people as clients. Students learn the fundamentals of good customer service, communication skills, and the essentials of clerical responsibilities. They further learn the fundamental skills of proper handling, nutrition, and nursing care for both large and small animals. Students are introduced to clinical patient management and laboratory procedures.

CERTIFICATE OUTCOMES
Upon completion of the Occupational Endorsement Certificate, students will demonstrate:

- Knowledge of veterinary practice administration
- Basic ability to handle and restrain large and small animals
- Understanding of basic medical terminology
- Introductory understanding of animal anatomy and physiology
- Entry level skills for laboratory procedures
- Effective customer service and communication skills

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
See Admission to Occupational Endorsement Certificate in Chapter 6 of this catalog.

CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS
In order to receive the Veterinary Assisting Occupational Endorsement Certificate, students must achieve a grade of C or better in all courses required for the Occupational Endorsement Certificate.

1. Complete the following required courses:
   - VETT A101 Introduction to the Veterinary Profession (1)
   - VETT A103 Veterinary Office Procedures (3)
   - VETT A122 Basic Handling & Behavior: Small Animals (2)
   - VETT A123 Basic Handling & Behavior: Large Animals (2)
   - VETT A124 Introduction to Small Animals (3)
   - VETT A125 Introduction to Large Animals (3)
   - VETT A201 Veterinary Anatomy and Physiology (4)
   - VETT A295 Veterinary Assistant Practicum (3)

2. A total of 21 credits are required for this Occupational Endorsement Certificate.

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Cooperative Degrees with other UA Campuses

Students pursuing a degree program conferred through UAA’s Anchorage campus are welcome to attend Matanuska-Susitna College as degree-seeking students. The following pages give partial information and major requirements for the degrees listed above. For program specifics, requirements, and admission and graduation applications deadlines see the full catalog for the campus offering the degree or certificate.

UAA Conferred degrees available at MSC include:
- AAS Early Childhood Development
- AAS Nursing
- Bachelor of Arts, Elementary Education
- Bachelor of Human Services

http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/records/catalogs/index.cfm

The University of Alaska Fairbanks

Statewide Certificate and Associate of Applied Science Degree
- Information Technology Specialist
- UAF Palmer Research Center
- Bachelor of Science, Natural Resources Management

http://www.uaf.edu/catalog/index.html
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Mat-Su College offers coursework leading to the Early Childhood Development Certificate and the Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood Development. Information packets, applications, and details on the Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education and the Post-Baccalaureate Teacher Certification are available at www.coe.uaa.alaska.edu/earlychildhood.

EARLY CHILDHOOD
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http://coe.uaa.alaska.edu/earlychildhood

The Early Childhood program at UAA blends theory and practice in the preparation of early childhood educators who can deliver quality care and education for young children from birth through age eight years. Within the Early Childhood program are four options:
• Early Childhood Development Certificate
• Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood Development
• Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education
• Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Early Childhood Pre-K-Third Grade (Chapter 11 of the UAA Catalog)

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION AND OUTCOMES
The Early Childhood Development Certificate Program and the Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood Development Program prepare paraeducators and other professionals to work in early care and education settings, including the public school system. The Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education prepares professionals to work with young children from birth through age eight. The Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Early Childhood Pre-K-Third Grade prepares professionals who already have baccalaureate degrees to work with young children from birth through eight years in preschool/primary school settings. Successful completion of either the Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education or the Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Early Childhood Pre-K-Third Grade program requirements leads to an institutional recommendation for initial teacher certification with an endorsement in Pre-K - 3rd Grade. All programs are developed to meet the National Association for the Education of Young Children guidelines for personnel preparation. Student outcomes for the four early childhood programs are based on the Standards for Alaska’s Teachers located at www.eed.state.ak.us/standards. Outcomes are also based on the professional preparation standards of the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) found at www.naeyc.org/teachers/. The students will demonstrate the following outcomes:

1. Create a healthy, respectful, supportive, and challenging learning environment based on knowledge of child development.
2. Create respectful, reciprocal relationships that support and empower families, and involve all families in their children’s development and learning.
3. Use systematic observations, documentation, and other effective assessment strategies in a responsible way, in partnership with families and other professionals, to positively influence children’s development and learning.
4. Design effective approaches to teaching and learning, implement and evaluate experiences that promote positive development and learning for all children.
5. Incorporate knowledge of content areas to create appropriate experiences for young children.
6. Use ethical guidelines and other professional standards related to early childhood practice.
7. Demonstrate knowledgeable, reflective, and critical perspectives on professional practice, making informed decisions that integrate knowledge from a variety of sources.

The expected mastery of student outcomes differs in accordance with program level. Students who complete the Undergraduate Certificate and AAS in Early Childhood will be proficient entry-level child care workers, have knowledge of child development, and demonstrate basic abilities in child care paraprofessional skills. Students who complete the Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education or the equivalent post-baccalaureate certificate, will demonstrate advanced integrated knowledge and skills in preparation for careers in teaching primary grades (K-3) as well as in infant, toddler, and preschool educational programs.

UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE,
EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
Applicants must satisfy the Admission to Certificate and Associate Degree Programs Requirements in Chapter 7, Academic Standards and Regulations. In order to be admitted to the Early Childhood Development program, applicants must complete an application to the Early Childhood Development Certificate Program. Applications may be obtained from the Department of Teaching and Learning. To be admitted to the Early Childhood Development practicum course (EDEC A295), applicants must meet all requirements for and be admitted by an advisor into the practicum course and have earned a grade of C or above in all EDEC courses.

ACADEMIC PROGRESS
All candidates in the Early Childhood Development Certificate program must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.00 or above in all EDEC courses.

BACKGROUND CHECK REQUIREMENTS
See Field Locations located at the beginning of the College of Education section of this chapter.

CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

1. Complete the following required courses:
   - DN A145 Child Nutrition 3
   - EDEC A105 Introduction to the Field of Early Childhood 3
   - EDEC A106 Creativity and the Arts in Early Childhood 3
   - EDEC A201 Early Childhood Practitioner Roles and Responsibilities 2
   - EDEC A206 Integrated Curriculum for Young Children 3
   - EDEC A210 Guiding Young Children 3
   - EDEC A241 Infant and Toddler Development 3
   - EDEC A242 Family and Community Partnerships 3
   - EDEC A292 Early Childhood Practicum Seminar 1
   - EDEC A295 Early Childhood Practicum 3
   - EDEC A303 Young Children in Inclusive Settings 3
   - EDSE A212 Human Development and Learning (3) 3
   - or
   - PSY A245 Child Development (3)
   - EDSE A212L Human Development and Learning Lab (1) 1
   - or
   - PSY A245L Child Development Laboratory (1)

2. A total of 34 credits is required for the certificate.

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE,
EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
Applicants must satisfy the Admission to Certificate and Associate Degree Programs Requirements in Chapter 7, Academic Standards and Regulations. In order to be admitted to the Early Childhood Development program, applicants must complete an application to the Associate of Applied Science Early Childhood Development program. Applications may be obtained from the Department of Teaching and Learning. To be admitted to the Early Childhood Development practicum course (EDEC A295), applicants must meet all requirements for and be admitted by an advisor into the practicum course and have earned a grade of C or above in all EDEC courses.

ACADEMIC PROGRESS
All candidates in the Associate of Applied Science Early Childhood Development program must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.00 or above in all EDEC courses.
GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS
Complete the General University Requirements for Associate Degrees located at the beginning of this chapter.

COMMUNICATION AND GENERAL REQUIREMENTS
1. Oral Communication Requirements: 3
   - COMM A111 Fundamentals of Oral Communication (3)
   - or
   - COMM A235 Small Group Communication (3)
   - or
   - COMM A237 Interpersonal Communication (3)
   - or
   - COMM A241 Public Speaking (3)
2. Written Communication Requirements: 6
   - ENGL A111 Methods of Written Communication (3)
   and one of the following:
   - ENGL A211 Academic Writing About Literature (3)
   - ENGL A212 Technical Writing (3)
   - ENGL A213 Writing in the Social and Natural Sciences (3)
   - ENGL A214 Persuasive Writing (3)
3. General Requirements: 6
   - MATH A105 Intermediate Algebra (or higher) (3)
   and
   - Choose 3 credits from humanities, natural sciences, or social sciences courses from the General Course Requirement Classification List located at the beginning of this chapter.

BACKGROUND CHECK REQUIREMENTS
See Field Placements located at the beginning of the College of Education section of this chapter.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS
1. Complete the following required courses:
   - DN A145 Child Nutrition 3
   - EDEC A105 Introduction to the Field of Early Childhood 3
   - EDEC A106 Creativity and the Arts in Early Childhood 3
   - EDEC A201 Early Childhood Practitioner Roles and Responsibilities 2
   - EDEC A206 Integrated Curriculum for Young Children 3
   - EDEC A210 Guiding Young Children 3
   - EDEC A241 Infant and Toddler Development 3
   - EDEC A242 Family and Community Partnerships 3
   - EDEC A292 Early Childhood Practicum Seminar 1
   - EDEC A295 Early Childhood Practicum 3
   - EDEC A303 Young Children in Inclusive Settings 3
   - EDSE A212 Human Development and Learning (3) 3
   - or
   - PSY A245 Child Development (3)
   - or
   - EDSE A212L Human Development and Learning Lab (1) 1
   - or
   - PSY A245L Child Development Laboratory (1)
2. Complete 12 credits of electives. EDEC A100 Fundamentals in Early Childhood is recommended. Candidates are encouraged to discuss elective choices with an advisor.
3. A total of 61 credits is required for the degree.

BACHELOR OF ARTS,
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
An individual interested in undergraduate early childhood preparation may obtain a Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education to work with children from the ages of birth to age eight. Individuals with baccalaureate degrees should refer to Chapter 11 for information on post-baccalaureate certificates.

The Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood is a professional degree. Unique features of the program include a foundation in liberal studies with coursework in child development and families. Candidates will engage in field experiences throughout their coursework to directly apply teaching and learning principles. In addition, candidates will engage in an internship(s) in early childhood settings. Admission to the program occurs in two stages (see below) and admission to the internship requires academic achievement, written and oral communication skills, and community involvement. See Field Placements located at the beginning of the College of Education section of this chapter.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
Admission to the University of Alaska Anchorage:
Early Childhood Major
Applicants must complete the Admission to Baccalaureate Programs Requirements in Chapter 7, Academic Standards and Regulations. Application forms are available on the UAA website at: www.uaa.alaska.edu/admissions.

Admission to the Department of Teaching and Learning, College of Education: Early Childhood Major
Admission to the Department of Teaching and Learning is a prerequisite for all upper division coursework in early childhood. In order to be admitted to the Department of Teaching and Learning, applicants must:
1. Complete the application to the Department of Teaching and Learning, Early Childhood major by one of the following dates: March 1, August 1, or November 1.
2. Complete a minimum of 45 foundation credits, including all General Education Requirements, required for the degree (transfer credits may be used).
3. Complete a minimum of 18 lower division credits from the Early Childhood Major requirements.
4. Have a cumulative GPA of 2.75.
5. Successfully complete the Praxis I examination. Contact the College of Education for current passing scores.

Note: Admission to the Department of Teaching and Learning is competitive. Qualified applicants are accepted on a space-available basis. Admission to the University as an Early Childhood major does not guarantee admission to the department.

Admission to Early Childhood Internship
1. Meet all the requirements for and be admitted to the Department of Teaching and Learning as an Early Childhood major.
2. Submit an application form for admission to internship. Contact the Office of Clinical Services and Certification for appropriate deadlines.
3. Submit one letter of recommendation from someone who can speak to the applicant's potential as a future early childhood educator.
4. Demonstrate general content knowledge competency through successful completion of all foundation coursework with a 2.75 GPA and a passing score on Praxis II.
5. Provide evidence of successful experiences working with children.
6. Interview.
7. Initiate fingerprinting and criminal background check process.
8. Provide evidence of a current physical examination. This service is available free at the UAA Student Health Center.
9. Maintain student health insurance throughout internship. Candidates may purchase this insurance through UAA.

Note: Qualified applicants are accepted on a space-available basis. Admission to the Department of Teaching and Learning does not guarantee admission to the internship.

ACADEMIC PROGRESS
All Early Childhood major courses must be completed with a grade of C or higher and internship(s) must be completed successfully in order to obtain an institutional recommendation for teacher certification. In addition, MATH A205 and foundation courses in child development and families and community relationships must be completed with a grade of C or higher in order to obtain an institutional recommendation for teacher certification.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
Candidates must complete the following requirements:

A. GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS
Complete the General University Requirements for All Baccalaureate Degrees listed at the beginning of this chapter

B. GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS
Complete the General Education Requirements for Baccalaureate Degrees listed at the beginning of this chapter

C. BACKGROUND CHECK REQUIREMENTS
See Field Placements located at the beginning of the College of Education section of this chapter.
D. FOUNDATION REQUIREMENTS
Complete the following foundation courses. The courses are selected to provide future early childhood educators with the skills and background knowledge in the various subjects they will be expected to teach. The selection is based on national and state standards for content preparation. Some of the foundation courses may also be used to meet General Education Requirements.

Child Development (6 credits)
DN A145 Child Nutrition 3
ED E A212 Human Development and Learning (3) 3
or
PSY A245 Child Development (3)

Families & Community Relationships (3 credits)
SWK A342 Human Behavior in the Social Environment (3) 3
or
SWK A009 Introduction to Child Welfare (3)

Liberal Studies Humanities and Social Sciences Core* (18 credits)
*Students must meet General Education Requirements (GER) for Baccalaureate Degrees including 6 credits of social science (SS), from two different disciplines, and 6 credits of humanities (HUM).

Complete the following courses:
Select one course from GER fine arts list 3
EDEC A105 Introduction to the Field of Early Childhood (SS GER) 3
LSSS A111 Cultural Found of Human Behavior (SS GER) (3) 3
or
SWK A243 Cultural Diversity and Community Service Learning (SS GER) (3)
HIST A132 History of United States I (HUM GER) 3
Select one course from the following: 3
ANTH A200 Natives of Alaska (SS GER) (3)
EDFN A478 Issues in Alaska Native Education, K-12 (3)
HIST A341 History of Alaska (HUM GER) (3)
(if HIST A341 is taken in place of ANTH A200 an additional SS GER
Select one course from the following: 3
ANTH A250 Rise of Civilization (SS GER) (3)
GEOG/INTL A101 Local Places/Global Regions: Introduction to Geography (SS GER) (3)
HIST A131 History of United States I (HUM GER) (3)
LSIC A331 Power, Authority, and Governance (3)
PS A101 Intro to American Government (SS GER) (3)
PS A102 Introduction to Political Science (SS GER) (3)

Liberal Studies Integrated Sciences Core (10 credits)
LSIS A102 Origins: Earth-Solar System-Life (NS GER) 5
LSIS A201 Life on Earth (NS GER) 5

Mathematical Skills (6-7 credits)
Select one course from GER quantitative skills list 3-4
(MATH A107 recommended)
MATH A205 Communicating Mathematical Ideas 3

Oral and Written Communication Skills (9 credits)
Select one course from GER oral communication list 3
Select two courses from GER written communication list 6

E. MAJOR REQUIREMENTS
1. Complete the following core courses (33 credits). Field experience in early childhood programs may be required as part of the courses.
EDEC A106 Creativity and the Arts in Early Childhood 3
EDEC A206 Integrated Curriculum for Young Children 3
EDEC A210 Guiding Young Children 3
EDEC A241 Infant and Toddler Development 3
EDEC A242 Family and Community Partnerships 3
EDEC A303 Young Children in Inclusive Settings 3
EDEC A407 Observation and Documentation in Early Childhood 4
EDEC A408 Children’s Literature: Early Childhood Years 3
EDFN A300 Philosophical and Social Context of American Education (GER Capstone) (3) 3
or
EDFN A304 Comparative Education (GER Capstone) (3)
EDFN A301 Foundations of Literacy and Language Development 3
EDFN A302 Foundations of Educational Technology 2
2. Complete the following methodology requirements (10 credits).
EDEC A403 Mathematics and Science in Early Childhood 3
EDEC A404 Literacy for Young Children 3
EDEL A427 Teaching Social Studies in Elementary Schools 2
PEP A345 Incorporating Health and Physical Activity into the Pre-K-6 Classroom 2
3. Complete the following internship and seminar requirements (14 credits):
EDEC A492 Early Childhood Seminar (1+1) 2
EDEC A495 Early Childhood Internship (3+9) 12*
*Special note: Completion of 12 credits required for degree and certification.
4. Complete an additional 12 credits of electives.
5. A total of 121-122 credits is required for the degree of which 42 must be upper division.

INSTITUTIONAL RECOMMENDATION
PRE-K-3 TEACHER CERTIFICATION
Candidates who complete the internship in the primary grades (Pre-K-3rd grade) may apply for teacher certification, Pre-K-3rd grade. Following are the requirements for an institutional recommendation:
1. Major requirements completed with a grade of C or higher.
2. Foundation courses in Child Development and Families & Community Relationships completed with a grade of C or higher.
3. Cumulative GPA of 2.75.
4. Cumulative GPA of 2.75 in all major requirements.
5. Passing scores on the Praxis I and Praxis II exams.
6. Internships satisfactorily completed.
7. Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education degree conferred.

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION
Professional Studies Building (PSB), Room 224, (907) 786-4481
www.coe.uaa.alaska.edu/elementary

BACHELOR OF ARTS, ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (with Teacher Certification)
Individuals interested in undergraduate elementary teacher preparation may obtain either a BA in Elementary Education or a Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Elementary Education with elementary teacher certification. See Chapter 11 (UA Catalog) for information on post-baccalaureate certificates.

The BA in Elementary Education is a professional degree. Unique features of the program include a strong liberal studies emphasis, integration of educational technology, and a year-long internship that follows the school district's calendar rather than the UAA calendar. Applicants are encouraged to take EDFN A101 Introduction to Education (3 credits) to learn more about the profession. Admission to the program occurs in two stages (below) and admission to the internship is competitive. Criteria considered for admission to the internship include academic achievement, written and oral communication skills, and community involvement. The deadline for internship placement consideration is February 15. See Field Placements located at the beginning of the College of Education section of this chapter.

STUDENT OUTCOMES
Student outcomes for the program are based on the Standards for Alaska’s Teachers located at: www.eed.state.ak.us/standards and the Association for Childhood Education International (ACEI) standards located at www.acei.org.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
Admission to the University of Alaska Anchorage: Elementary Education Major
Applicants must complete the Admission to Baccalaureate Programs Requirements in Chapter 7, Academic Standards and Regulations. Application forms are available on the UAA website at: www.uaa.alaska.edu/admissions.

Admission to the Department of Teaching and Learning, College of Education: Elementary Education Major
Admission to the Department of Teaching and Learning is a prerequisite for all education coursework with the exceptions of EDFN A101 Introduction to Education, EDFN A300 Philosophical and Social Context of American Education, and EDFN A304 Comparative Education. In order to be admitted to the department, students must:
1. Complete an application to the Department of Teaching and Learning by one of the following dates: March 1, August 1, or November 1.
2. Complete a minimum of 60 liberal studies credits, including all General Education Requirements, required for the degree (transfer credits may be used).

3. Have a cumulative GPA of 3.00.

4. Successfully complete the Praxis I examination. With the exceptions of EDFN A101 Introduction to Education, EDFN A300 Philosophical and Social Context of American Education, and EDFN A304 Comparative Education, applicants may not enroll in education courses without passing this examination at the level established by the College of Education.

5. Submit Interested Person Report.

Note: Admission to the Department of Teaching and Learning is competitive. Qualified applicants are accepted on a space-available basis. Admission to the university as an Elementary Education major does not guarantee admission to the department.

Admission to Elementary Internship
The Elementary Education Programs Admission Committee determines a candidate’s readiness to enroll in methods and the internship. The candidate must realize that requirements set forth below constitute minimum preparation, and it may be the judgment of the committee that the candidate needs further work to develop content, methodology, or classroom experience.

1. Meet all the requirements for and be admitted to the Department of Teaching and Learning as an Elementary Education major.

2. Submit an application form for admission to internship status by February 15.

3. Submit one letter of recommendation from someone who can speak to the candidate’s potential as a future elementary teacher.

4. Demonstrate general content knowledge competency through successful completion of all liberal studies coursework and a passing score on Praxis II: Elementary Content Knowledge.

5. Provide evidence of successful experiences working with children.

6. Interview.

7. Initiate fingerprinting and criminal background check process.

8. Provide evidence of a current physical examination. This service is available free at the UAA Student Health Center.

9. Maintain student health insurance throughout internship. Candidates may purchase this insurance through UAA.

Note: Qualified applicants are accepted on a space-available basis. Admission to the Department of Teaching and Learning does not guarantee admission to the internship.

ACADEMIC PROGRESS
Satisfactory progress in the first internship is required for enrollment in the second internship. Child development, Alaska studies, MATH A205, and all Elementary Education major courses must be completed with a grade of C or higher in order to obtain an institutional recommendation for elementary teacher certification.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
Candidates must complete the following graduation requirements:

A. GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS
Complete the General University Requirements for All Baccalaureate Degrees listed at the beginning of this chapter.

B. GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS
Complete the General Education Requirements for Baccalaureate Degrees listed at the beginning of this chapter.

C. BACKGROUND CHECK REQUIREMENTS
See Field Placements located at the beginning of the College of Education section of this chapter.

D. LIBERAL STUDIES AREA
Complete the liberal studies area. These courses are selected to provide future elementary teachers with the skills and background knowledge in the various subjects they will be expected to teach. The selection is based on national and state standards for content preparation. Some of the liberal education courses may also be used to meet General Education Requirements (GER).

Liberal Studies Integrated Sciences Core (16 credits)
- LSIS A101 Discoveries in Science 1
- LSIS A201 Life on Earth 5
- LSIS A202 Concepts and Processes: Natural Sciences 5

Liberal Studies Integrative Core (9 credits)
- LSC/PHIL A231 Truth, Beauty, and Goodness 3
- LSC A331 Power, Authority, and Governance 3
- LSC A332 Science, Technology, and Culture 3

Liberal Studies Social Sciences (SS) and Humanities (HUM) Core (34-42 credits)
- ANTH A250 The Rise of Civilization (SS GER) 3
- ANTH A200 Natives of Alaska (SS GER) 3 or
- EDFN A478 Issues in Alaska Native Education, K-12 (3) or
- HIST A341 History of Alaska (HUM GER) (3) or
- HIST A131 History of United States I (HUM GER) (3) or
- HIST A132 History of United States II (HUM GER) (3) or
- HIST A355 Major Themes in US History (3)
- EDEE A212 Human Development and Learning (3) 4 or
- PSY A245 Child Development (3)
- EDEE A212L Human Development and Learning Lab (1) or
- PSY A245L Child Development Laboratory (1)
- ENGL A201 Masterpieces of World Lit I (HUM GER) (3) 3 or
- ENGL A202 Masterpieces of World Literature II (HUM GER) (3)
- HUM A211 Introduction to Humanities I (HUM GER) 3
- HUM A212 Introduction to Humanities II (HUM GER) 3
- LSSS A111 Cultural Foundations of Human Behav (SS GER) 3
- LSSS A311 People, Places, and Ecosystems 3
- LSSS A312 Individuals, Groups, and Institutions 3

Select one course from GER fine arts list 3

Two semester sequence of one language* 6-8
*Any language other than English may be waived if fluency in a language other than English can be demonstrated or if grades of C or higher were received in four years of one language completed in high school.

Mathematical Skills (9-13 credits)
- MATH A107 College Algebra (4) 3-6 or
- MATH A108 Trigonometry (3) or
- MATH A109 Precalculus (6) or
- MATH A200 Calculus I (4) or
- MATH A201 Calculus II (4) and
- MATH A205 Communicating Mathematical Ideas 3 and
- STAT A252 Elementary Statistics (3) 3-4 or
- STAT A253 Applied Statistics for the Sciences (4)

Oral and Written Communication Skills (9 credits)
Select one course from GER oral communication list 3
Select two courses from GER written communication list 6

E. MAJOR REQUIREMENTS
It is recommended that students complete EDFN A101 Introduction to Education prior to enrolling in the following major courses. Field experiences in public schools are required as part of most courses.

1. Complete the following core courses (14 credits)
- EDFN A300 Philosophical and Social Context of American Education (3) 3 or
- EDFN A304 Comparative Education (3)
- EDFN A301 Foundations of Literacy and Language Development 3
- EDFN A302 Foundations of Educational Technology 2
- EDFN A303 Foundations of Teaching and Learning 3
- EDEE A482 Inclusive Classrooms for All Children 3

2. Complete the following method courses (19 credits)**
- EDEL A425 Teaching Reading in Elementary Schools 4
- EDEL A426 Teaching Mathematics in Elementary Schools 3

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**To substitute subject matter courses for these requirements, please consult your advisor.
EDEL A427  Teaching Social Studies in Elementary Schools 2
EDEL A428  Teaching Science in Elementary Schools 2
EDEL A430  Teaching Language Arts in Elementary Schools 3
EDEL A431  Creative Expression: Music, Art, and Drama for Elementary Teachers 3
PEP A345  Incorporating Health and Physical Activity into the Pre-K-6 Classroom 2

**Concurrent enrollment in and internship may be required.**

3. Complete the following internships (9 credits)
   - EDEL A495A  Internship I 3
   - EDEL A495B  Internship II 6

4. A total of 120 - 131 credits is required for the degree, of which 42 credits must be upper division. Some students may have to take a 1-credit elective to acquire 120 credits.

INSTITUTIONAL RECOMMENDATION, ELEMENTARY TEACHER CERTIFICATION (K-6)
Following are the requirements for an institutional recommendation:

1. Major requirements completed with a grade of C or higher.
2. Cumulative GPA of 3.00.
3. Cumulative GPA of 3.00 in all major requirements.
5. Internships satisfactorily completed.

SPECIAL EDUCATION EMPHASIS, Admission Suspended

BACHELOR OF HUMAN SERVICES

Mat-Su College faculty contact:
Dr. Ann Marie Yaros, Associate Professor of Human Services
ayaros@matsu.alaska.edu

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
Complete the Requirements for Admission to Baccalaureate Degree programs in Chapter 7 of this catalog. Students must complete an Associate of Applied Science, Human Services degree from an accredited institution recognized by UAA. See Human Services website http://hums.uaa.alaska.edu or Human Services Student Handbook for Bachelor of Human Services Admission process.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
Students must complete the following graduation requirements:

A. GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS
   Complete the General University Requirements for All Baccalaureate Degrees listed at the beginning of this chapter.

B. GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS
   Complete the General Education Requirements for Baccalaureate Degrees listed at the beginning of this chapter.

C. MAJOR REQUIREMENTS
   1. Complete the following Bachelor of Human Services core requirements:*  
      - HUMS A321  Diversity Issues in Human Services Practice 3
      - HUMS A322  Service Coordination in Human Services Practice 3
      - HUMS A333  Alternative Dispute Resolution 3
      - HUMS A412  Ethical Issues in Human Services Practice 3
      - HUMS A414  Rural Treatment Strategies for Human Service Professionals 3
      - HUMS A417  Substance Abuse Counseling for Human Service Professionals 3
      - HUMS A424  Advanced Counseling for Human Service Professionals 3
      - HUMS A434  Group Facilitation for Human Service Professionals 3
      - HUMS A461  Crisis Intervention 3
      - HUMS A495A  Human Services Practicum III 3
      - HUMS A495B  Human Services Practicum IV 3
   * Note: Cannot be used in emphasis areas.
   2. Complete an additional 6 credits (to total 12 credits) from the AAS Major Requirements Emphasis Areas.

Bachelor of Human Services) requires a 6-credit emphasis area. BHS students may complete 6 credits from a different emphasis area or an additional 6 credits from the emphasis area used for the AAS.

A total of 120 credits is required for the degree, of which 42 credits must be upper division.

SCHOOL OF NURSING
Professional Studies Building (PSB), Suite 103, (800) 577-1770 or (907) 786-4550, Advising & orientation sessions (907) 796-4560
http://nursing.uaa.alaska.edu

The mission of the Nursing program is to educate students for productive citizenship, personal growth, and professional nursing practice. The department offers potential students interested in becoming qualified to practice as a registered nurse two options: the Associate of Applied Science degree in Nursing and the Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing Science. The programs are designed to reflect Alaska's needs and health care delivery systems, although graduates are prepared for beginning practice positions in other geographic areas as well. An AAS Direct Articulation program is available for individuals who already hold the LPN license in Alaska. A baccalaureate completion program is available for individuals who already hold the RN license in Alaska. The nursing programs are approved by the Alaska Board of Nursing and accredited by the National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission (61 Broadway, New York, NY 10006; (212) 363-5555, ext 153). Graduates of the programs are eligible to write the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) for licensure as a Registered Professional Nurse in Alaska and other nursing jurisdictions. The baccalaureate program also provides students with the academic base for graduate study in nursing.

Information sessions are available to interested students. Times and locations are recorded on (907) 786-4560.

UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE, PRACTICAL NURSING
Admission to the Practical Nursing Certificate program has been suspended. Please contact the department for information.

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE, NURSING
Graduates of the Associate of Applied Science, Nursing program are prepared to use the nursing process to provide effective nursing services to individuals receiving care in inpatient settings and in structured outpatient settings. The academic program provides students with a closely related mix of theory and clinical practice; students gain experience in hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, and community agencies.

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE, NURSING LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE OPTION
Licensed practical nurses may complete the AAS Nursing program in three semesters. Admission to the clinical sequence is selective and determined by a ranking process. Students are encouraged to complete co-requisite courses while waiting to qualify for admission to the clinical sequence.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, NURSING SCIENCE
Students pursuing the baccalaureate degree in Nursing Science are provided both the theory and clinical base to enable them to assess plan, implement, and evaluate health care to meet the needs of individuals, families, groups, and communities whose health status varies qualitatively and quantitatively. Students working on a degree in Nursing Science may choose from two options: the Basic Student Option and the Registered Nurse Option.

REGISTERED NURSE OPTION
For students who hold current licensure as a Registered Professional Nurse in the State of Alaska, the School offers “RN-only” courses and sections within the nursing major designed to build upon the RN’s basic preparation and experience and to facilitate progress in meeting program objectives. Previous college credits are evaluated for comparability to established requirements within the program and may be accepted for transfer; in addition, credit by examination is available to satisfy some General Education Requirements. Additional information is available upon request.
University of Alaska Fairbanks
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST (ITS)
College of Rural Alaska  •  Tanana Valley Campus  •  University of Alaska - Statewide Degree
Refer to the ITS web site for more info:
www.tvc.uaf.edu/programs/its/index.htm

The information technology specialist (ITS) program offers a certificate and A.A.S degree as well as individual courses for interest and professional development.

The ITS certificate program teaches students the essential skills required to effectively use and troubleshoot computers and computer applications and the flexibility to customize a certificate or pursue an emphasis in the following specialty areas:

Computer Applications: Students will develop skills to effectively use essential applications found in nearly all job environments. This grouping of courses also maps to an A.A.S. degree in applied business with an emphasis in computer applications.

Web Technologies: Students will develop foundation level skills in website development and maintenance. This grouping of courses will teach students how to effectively use the applications used to develop and maintain websites.

Technical Support Assistant: Students will develop skills necessary to support and troubleshoot their own individual system and will possess the knowledge to provide assistance to IT professionals. This grouping of courses maps to the ITS A.A.S. degree.

The ITS A.A.S. degree prepares individuals to implement, support, and troubleshoot computer and information technology systems and obtain employment as an IT professional. The following concentrations are offered through the associate degree program:

Computer Technology Support: Students will develop a broad and general base of knowledge to support a variety of computer technologies and have the opportunity to develop an individual educational plan that matches their skills and goals.

Network and System Administration: Students will develop the skills and knowledge required to support and administer network environments. Students will learn how to install, secure, manage and administer server operating systems and network services, and how to implement, configure and support devices used within an organization’s network infrastructure.

Web Development and Administration: Students will develop the skills and knowledge required to develop comprehensive web sites and administer the systems on which website are deployed. Students will learn the skills and technologies used to build professional and comprehensive websites and how to install, secure, manage and administer server operating systems and network services.

The ITS program also provides students the opportunity to select courses that meet degree requirements and prepare them for the following industry certifications:

• CompTIA A+
• CompTIA Network+
• Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA)
• Microsoft Certified Systems Administrator (MCSA)

Students not interested in pursuing the degree program may enroll in these courses for personal or professional development; as well as to prepare for industry certifications.

University of Alaska Fairbanks
NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT
This is a University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF) Bachelor of Science degree offered by the School of Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences (SNRAS) Palmer Research Center in cooperation with the Mat-Su College and UAA.

Contact information: Telephone: (907) 746-9450
E-mail: fnwrt@uaf.edu
Web: www.uaf.edu/snras/students/pass.html

The degree program offered at Palmer is the Plant, Animal, and Soil Science option of the UAF Bachelor of Science degree in Natural Resources Management. Students may enroll in courses at Mat-Su College, UAA, and UAF’s Palmer Research Center to fulfill the requirements for this degree. Natural resources management degree curriculum focuses on making and implementing decisions to develop, maintain or protect ecosystems to meet human needs and values. The core curriculum provides students with a broad education in the various natural resources and their related applied fields. Programs may be tailored to enhance a student’s depth or breadth in a given field of interest. The program is designed for students desiring careers in resources management or in other fields requiring knowledge of resources management, forestry, and agriculture students planning advanced study, as well as those wishing to be better informed citizens.

Plant, Animal, & Soil Sciences (PASS) Option
The PASS option offers studies in the management of plants, animals, and soils and in their interactions with the environment in managed and disturbed ecosystems, an exciting topic with numerous professional career opportunities. Students choosing the PASS option can focus on specific areas, choosing emphases ranging from soil science to horticulture to domestic animal production. As a student you will have the opportunity to work with scientists, either as a student employee, volunteer, or intern in such areas as field and greenhouse production, domestication and propagation of native plants, revegetation of disturbed lands, domestic and native animal production, and the agricultural and ecological aspects of soil science. You can explore this challenging and varied option using facilities at the Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Station, including the UAF experimental farm with its reindeer research program and the Georgeson Botanical Garden (one of the premier horticultural collections in the far North), and the Delta Junction Field Research Site near the Delta Bison Range. The plant, animal, and soil sciences option is also offered through the Palmer Research and Extension Center, located in southcentral Alaska’s Matanuska Valley, where sustainable agriculture, land reclamation, and other environmental issues are explored.

Note Deadline: The admission process is handled by the UAF admission office and all admission paperwork must be submitted to UAF. The UAF deadline for applying for admission is July 1 for the fall semester and November 1 for the spring semester. Admitted students receive a standard letter of acceptance that includes information not relevant to students who do not attend classes at UAF. Go to www.uaf.edu/admissions/apply for more information.

Note Financial Aid: UAF services the students admitted to the ITS Certificate or Degree. Check with a Financial Aid Advisor for more information. UAF’s federal financial aid code: 00106
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COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Accounting

ACCT A101 Principles of Financial Accounting I 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Registration Restrictions: MATH A055 with minimum grade of C or approved UAA mathematics placement test score.
Special Note: ACCT A101 and ACCT A102 will satisfy requirement for ACCT A201. AAS accounting majors must take ACCT A101 and ACCT A102. First semester introductory financial accounting. Emphasizes procedures for recording, analyzing, and summarizing accounting transactions. Includes discussion of the following asset categories: cash, accounts receivable, and inventory. Taught from the perspective of the accountant or bookkeeper who is responsible for recording accounting transactions.

ACCT A102 Principles of Financial Accounting II 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: ACCT A101 with minimum grade of C.
Special Note: ACCT A101 and ACCT A102 will satisfy requirement for ACCT A201. AAS accounting majors must take ACCT A101 and ACCT A102. Second semester introductory financial accounting. Emphasizes procedures for recording, analyzing, and summarizing accounting transactions dealing with long-term assets, current and long-term liabilities, as well as stockholder and partnership equity transactions, and the statement of cash flows. Taught from the perspective of the accountant/bookkeeper who is responsible for recording accounting transactions.

ACCT A120 Bookkeeping for Business I 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Special Note: May be offered as either classroom or open-entry, individualized course.
Basic concepts and procedures of practical bookkeeping. Fundamental principles and practices necessary to record and report financial data in a service and merchandising business for manual systems and computerized systems.

ACCT A201 Principles of Financial Accounting 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Registration Restrictions: MATH A105 with minimum grade of C or approved UAA mathematics placement test score.
Special Note: ACCT A101 and ACCT A102 will satisfy the requirement for ACCT A201. AAS accounting majors must take ACCT A101 and ACCT A102. Introduction to financial accounting concepts and principles. Emphasizes the recognition and recording of financial information, the creation and understanding of financial statements, and the role accounting information takes in business and society.

ACCT A202 Principles of Managerial Accounting 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: CIS A110 and [ACCT A101 with minimum grade of C and ACCT A102 with minimum grade of C] or ACCT A201 with minimum grade of C.
Studies the generation and analysis of accounting information and its use by managers as they engage in planning, control, and decision-making activities in business and non-business organizations. Topics include product costing, cost-volume-profit analysis, profit planning, variance analysis, and relevant costs for decision making.

ACCT A210 Income Tax Preparation 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: [ACCT A101 and ACCT A102] or ACCT A201 and CIS A110.
Preparation of individual income tax returns, manually and computerized (using the latest in tax preparation software). Tax research and tax planning with emphasis on primary and administrative sources of income tax law. Emphasis is on the sources and interpretation of the tax laws and principles as well as how they apply to individuals.

ACCT A222 Introduction to Computerized Accounting 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: [ACCT A101 and ACCT A102] or ACCT A201 and CIS A110.
Special Fees. Introduction to processing accounting information using commercial accounting software. Illustrates conversion from manual to computerized accounting system; includes maintenance of chart of accounts and all master files; processing sales, receivables, and cash receipts, purchases, payables, and cash payments; preparation of financial statements and other reports. Includes only minimal coverage of the payroll function.

ACCT A225 Payroll Accounting 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: [ACCT A101 and ACCT A102] or ACCT A201 and CIS A110.
Special Fees. Introduces students to the federal and state laws and regulations that affect payroll and employment practices. Topics covered include calculation of wages, withholding taxes, health, retirement, and other voluntary deductions and preparation of payroll tax reports. Also includes recording and posting payroll information to accounting records.

ACCT A230 Workpaper Preparation and Presentation 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: [ACCT A101 with minimum grade of C and ACCT A102 with minimum grade of C] and ACCT A222 with minimum grade of C and CIS A110 with minimum grade of C.
Emphasizes preparation and analysis of workpapers to support year-end corporate financial statements. Includes an in-depth analysis of major balance sheet accounts and a study of financial statement presentation formats and requirements.

ACCT A301 Intermediate Accounting I 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: ACCT A202 with minimum grade of C and ACCT A216 with minimum grade of C.
Registration Restrictions: College of Business & Public Policy majors must be admitted to upper-division standing.
A continuation of the study of intermediate accounting including the principles governing financial reporting of investments, liabilities, stockholders’ equity, revenues and cash flows.

ACCT A310 Income Tax 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: ACCT A202 with minimum grade of C and ACCT A216 with minimum grade of C.
Registration Restrictions: College of Business & Public Policy majors must be admitted to upper-division standing.
A study of the federal income tax law as it applies to individuals, sole proprietors, and property transactions. Emphasis is on research, theory, application, and tax planning.

ACCT A342 Managerial Cost Accounting 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: ACCT A202 with minimum grade of C.
Registration Restrictions: College of Business & Public Policy majors must be admitted to upper-division standing.
Accounting as a planning and control device is studied by applying the concepts of cost flow, job order and process costing, flexible budgeting, standard cost analysis and relevant costing models.

ACCT A601 Accounting Foundations for Executives 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Registration Restrictions: Graduate Standing.
A traditional survey of accounting for the core requirement in the MBA program. Covers common financial and managerial topics with brief exposure to systems, auditing, non-profit, partnerships and joint ventures.
### Agriculture

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<td>Basic Horse Behavior and Training I</td>
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<td>Introduces principles necessary for understanding horse behavior and physical development of the riding horse. Presents principles and procedures of communication, and horse training from halter training to mounted work. Includes actual handling and training of horses.</td>
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<td>AGRI A136</td>
<td>Introduction to Horticulture</td>
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<td>Reviews plant structure and growth; soils; plant nutrition; plant propagation; potting media; fertilizers; indoor plant care; light management; container gardening; interior landscaping; greenhouse growing and plant forcing.</td>
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<td>AGRI A138</td>
<td>Organic Gardening</td>
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<td>Introduces organic methods and materials for ecological agriculture covering soil management, crop rotations, weed control, pest management, garden planning, planting, harvesting, storage, French intensive methods, and compost.</td>
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<td>AGRI A139</td>
<td>Modern Home Gardening</td>
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<td>Principles of gardening—comprehensive coverage of plants, soils and climates, the basic elements with which the gardener must deal. Practices of gardening—the manipulation of the basic elements; growing of important vegetables, herbs, perennial food plants and flowers.</td>
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<td>AGRI A213</td>
<td>Practical Horsemanship II</td>
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<td>Focuses on practical psychology of riding, and introduces basic principles and methods of training the performance horse from mounting of the horse to training skills under saddle. Includes the actual starting and training of green horses.</td>
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<td>AGRI A215</td>
<td>Basic Horse Behavior and Training II</td>
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<td>AGRI A227</td>
<td>Landscape Design: A Home Owner’s Approach</td>
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<td>Registration Restrictions: AGRI A136 or AGRI A139 recommended.</td>
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<td>Designed for the beginning home landscaper. Covers the first phases of landscape design including site inventory, site analysis, conceptual design, and preliminary design. Construction phasing, final design components, and additional resources will be discussed briefly.</td>
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<td>AGRI A240</td>
<td>Greenhouse Operation and Management</td>
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<td>Covers principles of management and operation of both home and commercial greenhouses. Includes greenhouse construction, heating, cooling, root media, root media pasteurization, watering, fertilization, carbon dioxide fertilization, light and temperature management, chemical growth regulation, insect and disease control, and the management of several selected crops.</td>
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<td>AGRI A245</td>
<td>Master Gardener</td>
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<td>Registration Restrictions: Experienced gardeners in Alaska, plus a commitment to volunteer 40 hours to CES in gardening subject areas. Course will teach volunteers (master gardeners) to extend the gardening information and resources of cooperative extension service to area gardeners.</td>
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<td>Introductory course for students with no previous knowledge of ASL. Develops receptive and expressive signing skills in ASL for effective communication at the elementary level. Students gain understanding of basic cross-cultural perspectives. Course conducted in American Sign Language.</td>
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<td>ASL A102</td>
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<td>Continuation of introductory course. Further develops elementary receptive and expressive signing skills in ASL for effective communication. Enhances appreciation of cross-cultural perspectives. Course conducted in American Sign Language.</td>
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<td>ASL A201</td>
<td>Intermediate American Sign Language I</td>
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<td>Intermediate course for students with basic knowledge of ASL. Enhances receptive and expressive signing skills for effective communication at the intermediate level. Students critically examine diverse cultural perspectives. Course conducted in American Sign Language.</td>
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<td>ASL A202</td>
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<td>Continuation of first semester in intermediate ASL. Further develops receptive and expressive signing proficiency for effective communication and in preparation for advanced study of ASL. Students interpret diverse cultural perspectives. Course conducted in American Sign Language.</td>
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<td>Introduction to Anthropology</td>
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<td>Course Attributes: UAA GER Social Sciences Req.</td>
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<td>Special Note: Recommended for majors and non-majors.</td>
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<td>Introduction to fundamentals of the four subfields of anthropology: archaeology, cultural anthropology, biological anthropology and anthropological linguistics. The course introduces basic ideas, methods and findings of anthropology.</td>
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<td>ANTH A200</td>
<td>Natives of Alaska</td>
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<td>Introduction to culture and history of Alaska Natives. Includes environmental settings, linguistic subdivisions, traditional sociocultural organization and subsistence patterns, contact with non-Native groups, and contemporary issues, including education, politics, and law.</td>
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<td>ANTH A202</td>
<td>Cultural Anthropology</td>
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<td>Introduction to the methods, theories, and fundamental concepts in the study of cultural systems. Includes social relationships, economic organization, political systems, symbols and beliefs, and issues related to gender, power, world systems and colonialism, and the social construction of human lives.</td>
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<td>ANTH A211</td>
<td>Fundamentals of Archaeology</td>
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<td>Introduction to basic concepts, theories, and methods of archaeology with overview of historical development and major findings. Prepares students for summer field schools and more specialized courses.</td>
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## Course Descriptions

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**ANTH A250 The Rise of Civilization**  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Social Sciences Req.  
Survey of the emergence of civilization in human cultural development. A foundation course covering biological emergence of modern humans, appearance of complex symbolic culture, domestication, urbanization, trade, ritual and ideology, and state formation. A comparative framework is used covering primary areas of civilization--Sumeria, Egypt, China, Indus River, Mesoamerica, South America— and secondary areas, including Southeast Asia, Japan, Africa, and North America.

**ANTH A371 Selected Topics in Anthropology**  
Contact Hours: 1-3 + 0  
Special Note: May be repeated for credit. Topic varies.

**ANTH A397 Independent Study**  
Contact Hours: 0 + 0  
Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.

### Field Methods in Archaeology

**ANTH A431 Field Methods in Archaeology**  
Contact Hours: 0 + 3-24  
Registration Restrictions: Faculty permission and ANTH A211 recommended.  
Stacked with: ANTH A631.  
Special Fees.  
Special Note: May be repeated once for credit.  
Introduction to basic techniques of archaeological data recovery and recording, laboratory processing, and preliminary analysis of archaeological materials.

### Architectural & Engineering Technology

**AET A100 Fundamentals of Drafting**  
Contact Hours: 1 + 2  
Offered only at Matanuska-Susitna College.  
Special Fees.  
Special Note: For non-majors only.  
Basic course in college drafting, designed to provide students with the fundamental skills and knowledge necessary to communicate using language of industry.

**AET A101 Fundamentals of CADD for Building Construction**  
Contact Hours: 2 + 4  
Registration Restrictions: Proof of eligibility for placement into MATH A105 and ENGL A111.  
Crosslisted with: CM A101.  
Special Fees.  
Introduces basic CADD (computer aided drafting and design) skills necessary in civil, architectural, structural, mechanical, and electrical drafting within the construction industry. Defines the working relationship between design and construction professionals and drafters/technicians.

**AET A102 Methods of Building Construction**  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Registration Restrictions: Proof of eligibility for placement into MATH A105 and ENGL A111.  
Crosslisted with: CM A102.  
Special Fees.  
Introduces basic knowledge of building materials, technical specifications, techniques, and systems. Outlines structural systems, construction processes, and assemblies. Includes a field project involving student team research of current Alaskan building type.

**AET A111 Civil Drafting**  
Contact Hours: 2 + 3  
Prerequisites: AET A102 and AET A181.  
Special Fees.  
Introduces technical skills needed by drafters and technicians to work with civil engineers and surveyors. Includes office practices, staff relationships, and civil drawing production. Develops computer-aided drafting skills for mapping used in site development.

**AET A121 Architectural Drafting**  
Contact Hours: 2 + 3  
Prerequisites: AET A102 and AET A181.  
Special Fees.  
Introduces technical skills needed by architectural drafters and technicians to work with architects. Includes office practices, staff relationships, and architectural drafting production. Develops computer-aided drafting skills in architectural drawing symbols, conventions, dimensioning systems, reference systems, sheet organization, code requirements, and research methods for detailing light commercial buildings.

**AET A123 Codes and Standards**  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: AET A101 and AET A181.  
Crosslisted with: CM A123.  
Special Fees.  
Provides an introduction and overview of the fundamental provisions of the building codes used for plan review, life-safety evaluation of the buildings, and community development.

**AET A131 Structural Drafting**  
Contact Hours: 2 + 3  
Prerequisites: AET A102 and AET A181.  
Special Fees.  
Introduces technical skills needed by structural drafters and technicians to work with structural engineers. Includes office practices, staff relationships, and structural drawing production. Develops computer-aided drafting skills in symbols, conventions, dimensioning systems, sheet organizations, code analysis and research methods for steel, wood, and reinforced concrete buildings.

**AET A142 Mechanical and Electrical Technology**  
Contact Hours: 3 + 2  
Prerequisites: AET A101 and AET A102.  
Crosslisted with: CM A142.  
Special Fees.  
Introduces the basic mechanical and electrical systems required in all buildings for the safety, health, comfort, and convenience of occupants. Emphasizes design criteria, code requirements, and interpretation of construction drawings.

**AET A143 Mechanical and Electrical Drafting**  
Contact Hours: 2 + 3  
Prerequisites: AET A102 and AET A181.  
Special Fees.  
Introduces technical analysis, theory, code requirements, CADD techniques, and construction drawing methodology to produce construction drawings for mechanical and electrical building systems. Includes drafting conventions, drawing symbols, terminology, and research methods for residential and commercial building mechanical and electrical systems and equipment.

**AET A161 Blueprint Reading for the Construction Industry**  
Contact Hours: 1 + 2  
Registration Restrictions: High school reading and writing skills and math including addition and subtraction of fractions and decimals.  
Special Note: Does not meet AET certificate or degree requirements.  
Introduction to skills and techniques needed to correctly interpret working drawings used in construction field.

**AET A171 Building Your Own Home**  
Contact Hours: 1 + 1  
Registration Restrictions: Basic high school English and math skills recommended.  
Special Fees.  
Special Note: Does not meet AET certificate or degree requirements.  
Introduces practical techniques and methods for planning, designing, constructing and remodeling owner-built single-family houses.
### AET A181 Intermediate CADD for Building Construction 4 CR
Contact Hours: 2 + 4
Prerequisites: AET A101 or CM A101. Special Fees.
Develops intermediate level CADD (computer-aided design and drafting) skills for architectural, civil, structural, mechanical and electrical drawings used in building construction. Includes 3-D space coordinate systems, surface modeling, and solid modeling.

### AET A213 Civil Technology 4 CR
Contact Hours: 2 + 4
Prerequisites: AET A101 and AET A102. Crosslisted with: CM A213. Special Fees.
Outlines elements of civil design, including soils and soil mechanics, foundations, roads, utilities using local, state, and federal regulations. Students will also be introduced to elements of construction surveying.

### AET A231 Structural Technology 4 CR
Contact Hours: 2 + 4
Prerequisites: AET A101 and AET A102. Crosslisted with: CM A231. Special Fees.
Examines structural theory and the physical principles that underlie structural behavior. Includes the use of materials in a manner to maintain structural stability against the natural forces of gravity, wind, snow, and earthquakes. Covers connection detailing and code requirements for wood, steel, and reinforced concrete.

### AET A282 Advanced CADD Techniques 4 CR
Contact Hours: 2 + 4
Prerequisites: AET A181. Special Fees.
Continues skill development in CADD (computer-aided design and drafting) at an advanced level for the production of architectural, civil, structural, mechanical, and electrical drawings used in construction. Includes 3-D space, shading, rendering, and animation techniques.

### AET A283 CADD Software Customization 3 CR
Contact Hours: 2 + 3
Prerequisites: AET A181. Special Fees.
Presents the skills and knowledge necessary to modify and customize the CADD user interface, create customized CADD features for diverse domains, and manage CADD standards and projects in professional environments.

### AET A286 Design Project 4 CR
Contact Hours: 2 + 4
Prerequisites: AET A181 and [AET A111 or AET A121 or AET A131 or AET A143]. Special Fees.
Provides a culminating problem-solving situation for students from the various certificate programs. The problem will be taken from community-generated enterprise and solved in a project-based learning environment.

### AET A295 Architectural and Engineering Technology Internship 1-3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 5-15
Registration Restrictions: Sophomore standing and faculty permission. Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass. Special Fees.
Places students in generalized and specialized architectural, engineering or building construction offices related to student educational program and occupational objectives. Direct supervision by architect, engineer, or contractor professional, program faculty, and Cooperative Education Director.

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<td>Two-Dimensional Activities (Topics in Drawing, Design, or Painting) 1-3 CR</td>
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<td>Contact Hours: 0 + 2-6</td>
<td>Special Fees. Special Note: Does not satisfy BA or BFA degree requirements. May be repeated 3 times for credit in different topic areas. Art studio topics in drawing, painting, or design may be offered to introduce possible areas for future concentrated study. Recommended for students seeking initial exposure to studio arts.</td>
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<td>ART A101</td>
<td>Three Dimensional Activities (3-D Materials and Techniques) 1-3 CR</td>
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<td>Contact Hours: 0 + 2-6</td>
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<td>ART A102</td>
<td>Fiber and Basketry Activities (Topics in Fibers, Basketry, Weaving or Papermaking) 1-3 CR</td>
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<td>Replicative Arts (Topics in Printmaking, Photography, &amp; Digital Arts) 1-3 CR</td>
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<td>Special Fees. Special Note: Does not satisfy BA or BFA degree requirements. May be repeated 3 times for credit in different topic areas. Art studio topics in printmaking, photography, and digital arts may be offered to introduce possible areas for future concentrated study. Recommended for students seeking initial exposure to studio arts.</td>
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<td>Multi-Media Activities 1-3 CR</td>
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<td>ART A105</td>
<td>Beginning Drawing 3 CR</td>
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<td>Contact Hours: 0 + 6</td>
<td>Stacked with: ART A205, A305, and A405. Special Fees. Introduction to elements of drawing based on development of skill using wet and dry media such as pencil, charcoal, conte, ink, and brush. Class and homework assignments in drawing and composition of objects, still lifes, perspective effects, and the human figure.</td>
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<td>Two-Dimensional Design 3 CR</td>
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<td>Contact Hours: 0 + 6</td>
<td>Special Fees. Study of the organization, structure, and composition of form through the use of the basic design elements including color. Emphasis on development of design as related to two-dimensional art.</td>
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<td>ART A112</td>
<td>Color Design 3 CR</td>
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<td>Contact Hours: 0 + 6</td>
<td>Special Fees. Study of fundamentals of color and two-dimensional visual perception. Projects will emphasize evaluation and mixing of color.</td>
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ART A113  Three-Dimensional Design  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Special Fees.

ART A160  Art Appreciation  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Course Attributes: UAA GER Fine Arts Requirement.
Special Fees.
Development of an appreciation of the all visual arts. Emphasis is on the theories, practice, materials and techniques of the visual arts.

ART A180A  Beginning Stained Glass  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Special Fees.
Prerequisites: ART A180A.
Special Note: Does not satisfy BA in Art or BFA degree requirements. Introduces techniques including pattern designing, cutting, and lead came.

ART A180B  Intermediate Stained Glass  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1 + 0
Prerequisites: ART A180A.
Special Fees.
Prerequisites: ART A180A.
Special Note: Does not satisfy BA in Art or BFA degree requirements. Continuation of ART 180A emphasizing advanced use of lead came and copper foil.

ART A205  Intermediate Drawing  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Prerequisites: ART A105.
Stacked with: ART A105, A305, and A405.
Special Fees.
Expands visual awareness, technical ability and creative/conceptual input. Complex technical and intuitive/creative approaches to drawing will be investigated. Class and homework assignments in drawing objects, still life, perspective, and human forms.

ART A209  Beginning Metalsmithing and Jewelry  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Prerequisites: ART A105.
Stacked with: ART A309 and A409.
Special Fees.
Introduction to the basic techniques, tools, and materials, and application of design principles. Includes historical considerations.

ART A211  Beginning Sculpture  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Prerequisites: ART A105 and ART A113.
Stacked with: ART A311 and A411.
Special Fees.
Exploration of fundamental elements of sculpture: form, mass, volume, scale, material, and surface. Introduction to aesthetics and history of modern sculpture. Includes tools, techniques, and materials available to the sculptor.

ART A212  Beginning Watercolor  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Prerequisites: ART A312 and A412.
Special Fees.
Exploration of aquarelle techniques. Emphasizes composition as affected by color, value, stylistic considerations, and individual expression; exhibition procedures are included.

ART A213  Beginning Painting  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Prerequisites: ART A105.
Stacked with: ART A313, A413, and A414.
Special Fees.
Prerequisites: ART A105.
Special Note: May be repeated once with substantive changes in media or emphasis. Introduction to materials and traditional techniques as applied to painting as a fine art. Focus on visual awareness, technical ability and conceptual input with investigation of intuitive and creative approaches. Subject matter drawn from still life, landscape/nature, interior spaces and the human form.

ART A215  Beginning Printmaking  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Prerequisites: ART A113.
Stacked with: ART A314, A315, and A415.
Special Fees.
Introduces basic skills and concepts of printmaking process. Focuses on creativity and craftsmanship including traditional and contemporary printmaking methods and skills.

ART A225  Beginning Photography - Digital  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Prerequisites: [ART A220 or concurrent enrollment].
Basic principles and essential expertise for artistic and commercial expression in the creation of black and white photographic images with digital single lens reflex cameras.

ART A252  Beginning Graphic Design and Illustration  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Prerequisites: ART A105 and ART A111 and ART A113 and ART A205 and ART A261 and ART A262.
Special Fees.
Prerequisites: ART A105 and ART A261.
Special Note: May be repeated for credit. Idea development and problem solving skills for the commercial market. Introduction to client identity, printing, and production process. Survey of industry history.

ART A261  History of Western Art I  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Course Attributes: UAA GER Fine Arts Requirement UAA GER Humanities Requirement.
Special Fees.
Prerequisites: ENGL A111.
Origins and development of painting, sculpture, and architecture. Covers the history of art from prehistory through the Medieval Period of the Western World.

ART A262  History of Western Art II  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Course Attributes: UAA GER Fine Arts Requirement UAA GER Humanities Requirement.
Special Fees.
Prerequisites: ENGL A111.
Origins and development of painting, sculpture, and architecture. Covers the history of art from the Renaissance through the modern period with an emphasis on the art of the Western World.

ART A271  Beginning Surface Design  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Stacked with: ART A371 and A471.
Introduction to resist-dyeing processes using directly applied resists (wax, rice paste) in designing and patterning the art fabric surface.

ART A272  Beginning Fiber Structures  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Prerequisites: ART A105.
Stacked with: ART A372 and A472.
Introduction to hand-constructed textiles and structural forms adapting traditional methodology to the production of contemporary art.

ART A273  Beginning Woven Forms  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Stacked with: ART A373 and A473.
Special Fees.
Special Note: May be repeated once for credit with substantive change in media or emphasis. Introduction to European floor loom. Various on-loom techniques are utilized in the production of the art fabric.

ART A297  Independent Study  1-4 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 0
Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.
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ART A412  Advanced Watercolor Painting  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Prerequisites: ART A312.
Registration Restrictions: Instructor permission.
Stacked with: ART A212 and A312.
Special Fees.
Special Note: May be repeated once for credit.
Continued investigation of more advanced watercolor techniques and approaches regarding conceptual/pictorial constructions. Encourages experimentation, research and technical approaches.

ART A413  Advanced Painting  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Prerequisites: ART A313.
Registration Restrictions: Instructor permission.
Stacked with: ART A213, A313, and A414.
Special Fees.
Special Note: May be repeated once for credit.
Development of advanced painting techniques. Focus on complex concepts and pictorial constructions including research and experimentation in various media.

ART A414  Senior Painting Projects  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Prerequisites: ART A413.
Registration Restrictions: Instructor permission.
Stacked with: ART A213, A313, and A413.
Special Fees.
Special Note: May be repeated once for credit.
Expansion of individual ideas and concepts through continued experimentation and research in painting techniques and methodologies.

Focus on developing a cohesive body of work.

ART A471  Advanced Surface Design  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Prerequisites: ART A371.
Registration Restrictions: Instructor permission.
Stacked with: ART A271 and A371.
Special Note: May be repeated once for credit.
Development and refinement of individual problems in resist-dyeing using fluid, bound and print/transfer techniques.

ART A472  Advanced Fiber Structures  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Prerequisites: ART A372.
Registration Restrictions: Instructor permission.
Stacked with: ART A272 and A372.
Special Note: May be repeated once for credit.
Refinement of fiber processes with an emphasis on structural forms, materials, approaches, scale relationships and installations.

ART A473  Advanced Woven Forms  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 6
Prerequisites: ART A373.
Registration Restrictions: Instructor permission.
Stacked with: ART A273 and A373.
Special Fees.
Special Note: May be repeated once for credit with substantive change in media or emphasis.
Further development of advanced loom weaving techniques and refinement of personal imagery and problems related to contemporary approaches to fiber art.

**Aviation - Professional Piloting**  ATP

MSC Special Note: Does not meet the UAA Aviation Technology degree requirement.

**ATP A100**  Private Pilot Ground School  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Special Fees.
Prepares students for FAA Private Pilot Knowledge Test. Includes basic aerodynamics, aircraft engine operation and flight instruments, navigation, weather information and dissemination services. Covers FAA regulations, the Aeronautical Information Manual, radio communication, and navigation.

**ATP A116**  Instrument Ground School  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: ATP A100.
Registration Restrictions: Meet course prerequisite or Private Pilot Certificate.
Special Fees.
Provides preparation for FAA Instrument Pilot Knowledge Test. Includes attitude instrument flying, air traffic control and navigation facilities, pilot responsibilities, IFR en route charts, approach plates, airspace and airway route system.

**Biological Sciences**  BIOL

**BIOL A102**  Introductory Biology  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sciences Req.
Special Note: Primarily for non-science majors. Satisfies CAS B.S. degree requirements.
Selected introductory biological concepts including the chemical basis of life, cell structure, energetics, physiology, genetics, biotechnology, evolution, ecology and scientific methodology. This course will provide the non-biologist with a working knowledge of life science that will be useful in making informed decisions on health and the environment.

**BIOL A103**  Introductory Biology Laboratory  1 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 3
Prerequisites: [BIOL A102 or concurrent enrollment].
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sci Lab Only.
Special Fees.
Special Note: Primarily for non-science majors. Satisfies CAS B.S. degree requirements.
Selected introductory biological concepts including the chemical basis of life, cell structure, energetics, physiology, genetics, biotechnology, evolution, ecology and scientific methodology. This course will provide the non-biologist with a working knowledge of life science that will be useful in making informed decisions on health and the environment.

Laboratory supplement of BIOL A102. Exercises are designed to illustrate principles and concepts developed in BIOL A102.

**BIOL A104**  Natural History of Alaska  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Crosslisted with: GEOL A104.
Special Note: Acceptable as elective credit only.
Surveys important biological, physical and geological features of Alaska, and their development over time. Includes study of major landforms, ecosystems, wildlife and people. Local area will be emphasized.

**BIOL A111**  Human Anatomy and Physiology I  4 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 3
Corequisite: BIOL A111L.
Stacked with: BIOL A113.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Science w/ Lab.
Special Note: Does not apply for Biology major credit. Satisfies CAS B.S. requirements. One 3-hour lab per week.
An introduction to human structure and function. The integumentary, skeletal, muscular, nervous and endocrine systems are considered.
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Business Administration

**BA A131  Personal Finance** 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Introduction to consumer finance. Surveys topics such as family budgeting, income tax fundamentals, consumer credit, home buying and financing, auto financing, insurance, investment fundamentals, estate planning, and retirement planning.

**BA A151  Introduction to Business** 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Course Attributes: UAA GER Social Sciences Req.
Introduces students to the fundamentals of business. Explores strategies that allow companies to compete in today's interactive, global marketplace. Covers each of the functional areas of business: management, marketing, finance, and accounting. Students gain some valuable critical-thinking, problem-solving, team-building, and communication skills required in modern business environments.

**BA A155  Personal Investments** 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
An in-depth course on investment of personal income with emphasis on investments, including stocks, bonds, mutual funds, banking, annuities, insurance, real estate, estate planning, and taxes.

**BA A166  Small Business Management** 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Business planning as key to successful small business management. Examines practical aspects of management for starting and operating a small businesses. Assists students in furthering their understanding of personal finance, business planning, marketing, production, and business finance.

**BA A231  Fundamentals of Supervision** 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Introduces students to the supervisor's role in organizations. Emphasizes development of the insights and skills necessary to achieve organizational objectives through others by effectively using the managerial functions of planning, organizing, leading, and controlling. Offers practical experience in decision making in contemporary and relevant situations facing today's supervisors.

**BA A233  Survey of Finance** 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: [ACCT A101 or ACCT A201] and MATH A105.
Surveys the discipline of finance. Topics covered are: financial markets, financial institutions, financial statements analysis, time value of money, capital budgeting, and methods of short-term and long-term financing.

**BA A241  Business Law I** 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Crosslisted with: JUST A241.
Introduces legal aspects of business activities. Emphasizes basic principles, institutions, and administration of law in contracts, employment, torts, property, agency, real estate, and insurance.

**BA A242  Business Law II** 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: BA A241 or JUST A241.
Crosslisted with: JUST A242.
Emphasizes basic principles, institutions, and administration of law in suretyships, partnerships, corporations, trusts, bankruptcy, negotiable instruments and sale of goods.

**BA A260  Marketing Practices** 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: BA A151.
Examines the tools, techniques, and principles of marketing and how to apply them. Identifies the significance of connecting with customers. Examines and identifies market factors which create the greatest customer satisfaction possible in the highly competitive environments of the 21st century.

**BA A264  Personal Selling** 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Designed for people with or without sales experience. Explores skills all individuals use to sell themselves, products, services, and ideas. Offers opportunities for students to practice selling skills that will help them become better communicators throughout life.

**BA A273  Introduction to Statistics for Business and Economics** 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: CIS A110 and [MATH A107 or MATH A172].
Special Note: Students may apply no more than 3 credits from BA A273 or STAT A252 toward graduation requirements for a baccalaureate degree.
Introduction to statistics and probability with emphasis on the analysis of business and economic data. Includes descriptive statistics for univariate and bivariate data; elementary probability and sampling distributions; estimation of means, proportions, and simple regression coefficients. Students will be introduced to one or more computer packages for statistical data analysis.

**BA A300  Organizational Theory and Behavior** 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Registration Restrictions: College of Business & Public Policy majors must be admitted to upper-division standing.
Centered on developing a working knowledge of the key theories that deal with human behavior in work settings. Content includes: individual differences, personality, attitudes, perception, attribution, and biases. Also includes the major theories of motivation and leadership, dynamics of group interaction, teams, social processes, diversity, organizational culture, and ethics.

**BA A325  Corporate Finance** 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: ACCT A202 and BA A273 and ECON A202.
Registration Restrictions: College of Business & Public Policy majors must be admitted to upper-division standing.
Surveys the practice of corporate finance. Topics covered are: financial statements analysis, valuation of securities, capital budgeting, risk and return, cost of capital, capital structure, and working capital management.

**BA A343  Principles of Marketing** 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Registration Restrictions: College of Business & Public Policy majors must be admitted to upper-division standing.
Examines the present role and evolving scope of marketing in organizations and the global economy. Provides a comprehensive delineation of the key marketing terms, concepts, and decision paradigms; offers an overview of the requisite steps, strategic considerations, and essential elements involved in planning, implementing, and evaluating marketing activities and campaigns.

**BA A361  Human Resource Management** 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: BA A300.
Registration Restrictions: College of Business & Public Policy majors must be admitted to upper-division standing.
Provides students with an overview of human resource management in today's globally competitive and continually changing environment. Students gain an increased understanding of the importance of good human resource management in the current marketplace and learn to view human resource issues from both the strategic and tactical perspectives.
## Chemistry

**CHEM A055  Contemporary Chemistry**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: MATH A055.  
Introductory course for students with little or no chemistry background. Covers units of measurement, matter, atoms, periodic table, nomenclature, equations, oxidation-reduction, solutions, calculations, and problem solving.

**CHEM A055L  Contemporary Chemistry Laboratory**  1 CR  
Contact Hours: 0 + 3  
Prerequisites: (CHEM A055 or concurrent enrollment). Special Fees.  
Laboratory designed to teach the fundamentals of working with laboratory equipment, data gathering, analysis, and reporting.

**CHEM A103  Survey of Chemistry**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: MATH A105 with minimum grade of C. Registration Restrictions: CHEM A055 with a minimum grade of C or college preparatory high school chemistry with a minimum grade of C. If the MATH A105 prerequisite is not satisfied, appropriate scores on the SAT or ACT tests or appropriate scores on a UAA-approved placement test such as the Accuplacer Placement test.  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sciences Req. Special Note: This is an introductory course designed for health science majors and assumes prior knowledge of college preparatory high school chemistry and algebra. CHEM A103L is the laboratory component of this course and requires a separate registration. Survey of topics including: matter, energy, units of measurement, the periodic table, atomic and molecular structure, chemical bonding, radioactivity, oxidation-reduction reactions, solutions involving acids, bases and buffers; and an introduction to organic chemistry with units on functional groups and the chemistry of alkanes, alkenes, and alkynes.

**CHEM A103L  Survey of Chemistry Laboratory**  1 CR  
Contact Hours: 0 + 3  
Prerequisites: (CHEM A103 or concurrent enrollment). Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sci Lab Only. Special Fees. Special Note: Students who do not meet the prerequisites for this course may be administratively dropped at the discretion of the faculty. Attendance is mandatory for all chemistry laboratory courses the first week of class. Unless prior arrangements are made with the instructor, any student who does not attend the first scheduled meeting for this lab may be administratively dropped and a student on a waiting list will be added in their place. Any fees resulting from either of these drop procedures or any late registration procedure will be the responsibility of the student. An introductory chemistry laboratory course with experiments designed to introduce students to the basics of laboratory equipment, data collection, data analysis, and reporting; and to illustrate, augment and apply concepts covered in CHEM A103.

**CHEM A104  Introduction to Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: CHEM A103 with minimum grade of C. Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sciences Req. Special Note: CHEM A104L is the lab component of this course and requires a separate registration. This is the second semester course in the sequence for health science majors. The course content includes: common nomenclature of organic compounds, organic functional group reactions, biochemical processes and pathways, biological macromolecules and metabolites.

**CHEM A104L  Introduction to Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry Laboratory**  1 CR  
Contact Hours: 0 + 3  
Prerequisites: CHEM A103 with minimum grade of C and (CHEM A104 or concurrent enrollment). Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sci Lab Only. Special Fees. Special Note: CHEM A104L is highly recommended. Special Note: Students who do not meet the prerequisites for this course may be administratively dropped at the discretion of the faculty. Attendance is mandatory for all chemistry laboratory courses the first week of class. Unless prior arrangements are made with the instructor, any student who does not attend the first scheduled meeting for this lab may be administratively dropped and a student on a waiting list will be added in their place. Any fees resulting from either of these drop procedures or any late registration procedure will be the responsibility of the student. Second semester introductory chemistry laboratory course. Experiments are designed to reinforce concepts students have been exposed to regarding the basics of laboratory equipment, data collection, data analysis, and reporting. This course illustrates, augments, and applies concepts covered in CHEM A104.

**CHEM A105  General Chemistry I**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: MATH A105 with minimum grade of C. Registration Restrictions: CHEM A055 with a minimum grade of C or college preparatory high school chemistry with a minimum grade of C. If the MATH A105 prerequisite is not satisfied, appropriate scores on the SAT or ACT tests or appropriate scores on a UAA-approved placement test such as the Accuplacer Placement test. Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sciences Req. Special Note: Assumes prior knowledge of college preparatory high school chemistry and algebra. CHEM A105L is the lab component of this course and requires a separate registration. Introduction to general chemistry for science majors which includes topics in elements and compounds, the periodic table, atomic and subatomic theory and spectroscopy, bonding, various chemical reactions, thermodynamics, atomic and molecular interactions in gases, liquids, solids and solution chemistry.

**CHEM A105L  General Chemistry I Laboratory**  1 CR  
Contact Hours: 0 + 3  
Prerequisites: (CHEM A105 or concurrent enrollment). Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sci Lab Only. Special Fees. Special Note: Students who do not meet the prerequisites for this course may be administratively dropped at the discretion of the faculty. Attendance is mandatory for all chemistry laboratory courses the first week of class. Unless prior arrangements are made with the instructor, any student who does not attend the first scheduled meeting for this lab may be administratively dropped and a student on a waiting list will be added in their place. Any fees resulting from either of these drop procedures or any late registration procedure will be the responsibility of the student. An introductory chemistry laboratory course with experiments designed to introduce students to the basics of laboratory equipment, data collection, data analysis, and reporting; and to illustrate, augment and apply concepts covered in CHEM A105.

**CHEM A106  General Chemistry II**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: CHEM A105 with minimum grade of C. Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sciences Req. Special Note: CHEM A106L is the laboratory component of this course and requires a separate registration. The second semester in the general chemistry sequence for science majors. Topics include kinetics, equilibrium chemistry, acid-base chemistry, oxidation-reduction reactions, electrochemical cell chemistry, thermodynamics, nuclear chemistry, and chemical analysis methods.
COMM A111  Fundamentals of Oral Communication  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Course Attributes: UAA GER Oral Communication Req.
A survey of communication principles, theories, and skills including interpersonal communication, small group communication, and public speaking. Students develop oral communication skills through practice in a variety of individual activities, group activities, and individual and group presentations.

COMM A235  Small Group Communication  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Course Attributes: UAA GER Oral Communication Req.
Study of theories and skills related to small group communication. Emphasis is on the communicative skills involved in group relationships and group decision making processes. Students will develop oral communication skills by engaging in practice in a variety of individual exercises and presentations, and group presentations.

COMM A237  Interpersonal Communication  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Course Attributes: UAA GER Oral Communication Req.
Study of theories and skills related to dyadic communication and the variables which affect it, including conflict, culture, gender, rules, and context. Students will develop oral communication skills designed to improve communication in relationships by engaging in a variety of individual exercises, individual presentations, and group presentations.

COMM A241  Public Speaking  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Course Attributes: UAA GER Oral Communication Req.
The study of theories and skills applicable to informative, persuasive, and special occasion platform speaking. Emphasis is on effective selection, organization, and presentation of material to diverse audiences across diverse settings. Students will develop oral communication skills by engaging in a variety of exercises and individual presentations.

COMM A340  Nonverbal Communication  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: COMM A101 or COMM A111 or COMM A235 or COMM A237 or COMM A241.
Covers theoretical and research literature pertinent to nonverbal communication behavior. Focuses on the persuasive role that movement plays in the formal and informal communication process.

COMM A380  Theories of Human Communication  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: COMM A101 or COMM A111 or COMM A235 or COMM A237 or COMM A241.
Covers major communication theories, principles, and research paradigms in interpersonal, group, organizational, and public contexts.

Community Education  CED

CED A049  Community Education: Selected Topics  0 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 0
Grade Mode: Non-Graded.
Special Fees.
Workshops presented by local resource people on a variety of topics.

CED A171  Log Cabin Construction  1-3 CR
Contact Hours: 1 + 1-6
Applies techniques and skills of log cabin construction. Covers planning and organization, estimating cost, and major phases of log building construction including foundation, floor, walls, roof, windows, doors and trim.

CED A231  Grant Proposal Writing  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1 + 0
Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.
Presents an overview of funding sources and references, and provides an in-depth description of the components of a grant proposal.
CED A294M  Applied Grant Proposal Writing  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1 + 0
Registration Restrictions: CED A231 recommended
Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.
Prerequisities:

Introduces concepts of fundamental systems.

CPLX A200  Introduction to Complexity  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: MATH A107 or MATH A172.
Crosslisted with: BIOL A200.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sciences Req.

Complex Systems

CPLX A200  Introduction to Complexity  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: MATH A107 or MATH A172.
Crosslisted with: BIOL A200.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sciences Req.

Computer Information & Office Systems

CIOS A101  Keyboarding  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3+0 or 4+9
Prerequisites: Special Fees.
Special Note: Credit will not be counted for both CIOS A101 and (CIOS A101A and CIOS A101B and CIOS A101C).

Introduces keyboarding skills and emphasizes correct techniques and development of speed, accuracy, and proofreading. Introduces word processing concepts to produce personal and business letters, tables, and reports.

CIOS A101A  Keyboarding A: Basic Keyboarding  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3
Prerequisites: CIOS A101A.
Special Fees.
Special Note: Credit will not be counted for both CIOS A101 and (CIOS A101A and CIOS A101B and CIOS A101C).

Introduces the keyboard alphabet, number, and symbol keys. Emphasizes techniques and mechanics of keyboarding by touch.

CIOS A101B  Keyboarding B: Business Documents I  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3
Prerequisites: CIOS A101A.
Special Fees.
Special Note: Credit will not be counted for both CIOS A101 and (CIOS A101A and CIOS A101B and CIOS A101C).

Introduces keyboarding of memos, personal and business letters, and envelopes in a word processing program and continues to develop keyboarding speed and accuracy.

CIOS A101C  Keyboarding C: Business Documents II  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3
Prerequisites: CIOS A101B.
Special Fees.
Special Note: Credit will not be counted for both CIOS A101 and (CIOS A101A and CIOS A101B and CIOS A101C).

Introduces keyboarding of simple reports and tables in a word processing program and continues to develop keyboarding speed and accuracy.

CIOS A102  Keyboarding Skill Building  1 CR
Contact Hours: 0+3
Prerequisites: CIOS A101A.
Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.
Special Fees.
Special Note: May be repeated with only 1 credit in each semester.

Introduces development of keyboarding speed and accuracy.

CIOS A108  Digital Design Fundamentals  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3
Prerequisites: CIOS A113 and CIOS A130A.
Special Fees.
Introduces design fundamentals as they apply to using desktop publishing, image editing, and web design applications to communicate through online or print media.

CIOS A113  Operating Systems: MS Windows  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3
Special Fees.
Introduces the MS Windows operating system. Includes file and disk management, the control panel, desktop, utilities, MS Windows setup, and maintenance.

CIOS A115  10-Key for Business Calculations  2 CR
Contact Hours: 0+6
Prerequisites: Readiness for MATN A055.
Special Fees.
Introduces the 10-key touch method to solve business-related calculations while developing speed and accuracy.

CIOS A116  Business Calculations  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3+0 or 0+9
Prerequisites: [MATH A054 or minimum grade of C or ASSET Numerical Skills with score of 43].
Special Fees.
Introduces business calculations and use of calculators by touch to solve problems in bank records, payroll, trade and cash discounts, mark-up and markdown, interest, consumer credit, depreciation, inventory, financial statements, insurance, and taxes.

CIOS A118  Payroll Procedures  2 CR
Contact Hours: 2+0 or 0+6
Special Fees.
Introduces payroll procedures including calculating various types of payroll, keeping payroll records, federal laws, and reporting procedures.

CIOS A120  Microcomputer Operating Systems  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3+0
Prerequisites: CIOS A105.
Restrictions: If prerequisite is not met, CIOS Placement Exam is required.
Special Fees.
Covers us of major features of desktop operating systems: window manipulation, file and hard disk management, and data backup. Topics include installation and customization of operating systems and desktop work environments; disk maintenance; addition and removal of hardware and programs; and advanced file placement.

CIOS A120A  Bookkeeping Software Applications I: QuickBooks  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3
Prerequisites: CIOS A101A and CIOS A113.
Special Fees.
Special Note: Knowledge of bookkeeping principles is recommended.
Introduces the QuickBooks accounting program. Covers basic bookkeeping procedures for company setup and maintenance, data input for check register, accounts receivable, accounts payable, banking, and sales tax.

CIOS A125A  Electronic Communications I: MS Outlook  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3
Prerequisites: CIOS A101A and CIOS A113.
Special Fees.
Introduces electronic communication and time management features of Microsoft Outlook.

CIOS A130A  Word Processing I: MS Word  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3
Prerequisites: (CIOS A101A or concurrent enrollment).
Special Fees.
Introduces fundamentals, concepts, and applications of word processing. Students learn basic commands needed to create, format, edit, and print documents.
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CIOS A130B  Word Processing I: WordPerfect  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3
Prerequisites: (CIOS A101A or concurrent enrollment).
Special Fees.
Special Note: Students strongly encouraged to complete CIOS A230B to gain a fuller understanding of this topic.
Introduces fundamentals, concepts, and applications of word processing. Students learn basic commands needed to create, format, edit, and print documents.

CIOS A135A  Spreadsheets I: MS Excel  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3
Prerequisites: (CIOS A101A or concurrent enrollment) and (CIOS A113 or concurrent enrollment).
Special Fees.
Introduces fundamental concepts in the design and use of spreadsheets. Includes basic commands, formulas and functions, and inserting of charts, objects, and hyperlinks.

CIOS A140A  Databases I: MS Access  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3
Prerequisites: CIOS A101A and CIOS A113.
Special Fees.
Introduces the fundamentals and concepts of creating a relational database including tables, queries, forms, and reports.

CIOS A146  Internet Concepts and Applications  2 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 2+4
Prerequisites: CIOS A101A and CIOS A113. Special Fees.
Introduces and applies Internet concepts, tools, and applications. Includes use of electronic mail, search strategies for research, academic, and personal use, the study of security and ethics issues, and new Internet technologies.

CIOS A150A  Presentations: MS PowerPoint  2 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 2+4
Prerequisites: CIOS A101A and CIOS A113. Special Fees.
Covers presentation software and design techniques for creating professional presentations. Incorporates tools for enhancing presentations with various objects.

CIOS A152A  Digital Imaging Concepts and Applications: Photoshop  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: (CIOS A108 or concurrent enrollment) and (CIOS A130A or concurrent enrollment) and (CIOS A146 or concurrent enrollment).
Special Fees.
Introduces the fundamentals, concepts, and applications of digital imaging techniques, including basic digital design fundamentals, enhancing images, and creating images for use in print or on the web.

CIOS A153A  Website Design: HTML  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3
Prerequisites: CIOS A146. Special Fees.
Introduces designing web pages and documents using Hypertext Markup Language (HTML). Emphasizes sound design principles and the use of CSS for formatting and layout.

CIOS A153B  Website Design: Dreamweaver  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: CIOS A130A and CIOS A146 and ([CIOS A152A or concurrent enrollment) or (CIOS A156 or concurrent enrollment)]. Special Fees.
Introduces fundamentals of web design using the Dreamweaver application. Emphasizes sound design principles and the use of CSS for formatting and layout.

CIOS A153C  Web Site Design: MS FrontPage  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3
Prerequisites: CIOS A113. Special Fees.
Introduces planning, designing, and creation of a website. Covers basic Microsoft FrontPage commands and functions.

CIOS A154A  Desktop Publishing I: PageMaker  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3
Prerequisites: CIOS A101A. Special Fees.
Special Note: Students strongly encouraged to complete CIOS A254A to gain a fuller understanding of this topic.
Introduces fundamentals and concepts of desktop publishing and design elements used to create a variety of documents for publication, including flyers, brochures, and newsletters.

CIOS A154B  Desktop Publishing I: MS Publisher  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3
Prerequisites: CIOS A101A. Special Fees.
Special Note: Students are strongly encouraged to complete CIOS A254B to gain a fuller understanding of this topic.
Introduces fundamentals and concepts of desktop publishing and design elements used to create a variety of documents for publication, including flyers, brochures, and newsletters.

CIOS A156  Web Graphics: Fireworks  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3
Prerequisites: CIOS A130A and CIOS A146 and ([CIOS A153A or concurrent enrollment) or (CIOS A153B or concurrent enrollment)]. Special Fees.
Introduces the concepts and skills for creating and optimizing web graphics such as animated GIFs, slices, and image maps.

CIOS A160  Business English  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: [PRPE A086 with minimum grade of C or ASSET Writing Skills with score of 40]. Special Fees.
Special Note: Recommend CIOS A161A and CIOS A260A.
Analyzes sentence structure and usage in business communications for application to proofreading and editing documents.

CIOS A161A  Proofreading  2 CR
Contact Hours: 2+0 or 0+4
Registration Restrictions: Proof of placement into ENGL A111 and keyboarding skills of 30 net words per minute or higher. Special Fees.
Introduces proofreading techniques applied to business communication. Develops skills in proofreading for content, usage, grammar, punctuation, and spelling.

CIOS A162A  Shorthand  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3+0 or 0+9
Prerequisites: CIOS A101. Special Fees.
Introduces an alphabetic shorthand system designed for fast note taking or dictation.

CIOS A164  Filing  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3
Special Fees.
Introduces filing terminology, techniques, and ARMA (American Records Management Association) filing rules as they apply to alphabetic, numeric, subject, and geographic filing systems.

CIOS A165  Office Procedures  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: CIOS A101B and CIOS A130A. Special Fees.
Introduces the duties and responsibilities of office employees in the following areas: mail, records management, office communications, reprographics, travel, meetings, conferences, and employment procedures.

CIOS A190  Selected Topics in Office Technology  1-3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 3-9
Special Fees.
Special Note: Prerequisites will vary with topic. Covers various topics in office technology. Course content is determined by specific student or industry needs.
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**CIOS A194X Digital Imaging Concepts and Applications: Illustrator**  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: CIOS A108 and CIOS A130 and CIOS A146. Special Fees. Introduces the fundamentals, concepts, and applications of digital imaging techniques including basic color theory, manipulating images, adding images to documents, using digital images in animation and web documents.

**CIOS A201A Document Processing**  
Contact Hours: 3+0 or 0+9  
Prerequisites: CIOS A101A. Special Fees. Applies keyboarding and word processing skills to letters, mail merges, tabulations, reports, business forms, and other office documents while building speed and accuracy.

**CIOS A207 Machine Transcription**  
Contact Hours: 0 + 3  
Prerequisites: [CIOS A101B or CIOS A101C] and CIOS A161A. Special Fees. Designed for students with no previous transcription experience.

**CIOS A208 Medical Transcription**  
Contact Hours: 0 + 9  
Prerequisites: [CIOS A101B or CIOS A101C] and CIOS A161A. Special Fees. Designed for students with no previous transcription experience. Students will learn needed medical terminology.

**CIOS A209A Legal Transcription**  
Contact Hours: 0 + 3-9  
Prerequisites: CIOS A160 and CIOS A201A. Registration Restrictions: Prerequisite or demonstrated equivalent skill and speed of 45 wpm. Special Fees. Designed for students with no previous transcription experience.

**CIOS A220A Bookkeeping Software Applications II: Quickbooks**  
Contact Hours: 2+0 or 0+6  
Prerequisites: CIOS A120A. Special Fees. Applies skills learned in CIOS A120A to more advanced applications of creating financial reports, period-end procedures, payroll, inventory, jobs and time tracking, accounting issues, and integration with other software.

**CIOS A230A Word Processing II: MS Word**  
Contact Hours: 2+0 or 0+6  
Prerequisites: CIOS A130A. Special Fees. Presents intermediate and advanced word processing and desktop publishing. Includes styles, graphics, merging documents, object linking and embedding, publishing as a web page, working with master documents, indexes, table of contents, on-screen business forms and macros.

**CIOS A230B Word Processing II: WordPerfect**  
Contact Hours: 2+0 or 0+6  
Prerequisites: CIOS A130B. Special Fees. Applies skill acquired in CIOS A130B to learn intermediate and advanced word processing and desktop publishing features. Includes styles, graphics, merging documents, object linking and embedding, publishing as a web page, working with master documents, indexes, table of contents, on-screen business forms, and macros.

**CIOS A235A Spreadsheets II: MS Excel**  
Contact Hours: 2+0 or 0+6  
Prerequisites: CIOS A135A. Special Fees. Presents concepts and techniques for using Excel to solve problems and make decisions. Topics include design and construction of spreadsheets and templates, macros, data exchange, database features, enhancing charts, and other advanced functions.

**CIOS A240A Databases II: MS Access**  
Contact Hours: 2+0 or 0+6  
Prerequisites: CIOS A140A. Special Fees. Presents concepts and techniques for using Access databases to solve problems and make decisions. Includes advanced features of queries, forms, filters, relationships, and integration with other applications.

**CIOS A241 Integrated Applications**  
Contact Hours: 3+0 or 0+9  
Prerequisites: CIOS A151A and [CIOS A230A or CIOS A230B] and CIOS A235A and CIOS A240A. Special Fees. Applies the powerful integration capabilities of word processing, spreadsheet, database, and other applications, including the World Wide Web. Builds skill in application integration through a variety of projects that include using critical thinking, work organization, time management, and teamwork skills.

**CIOS A251A Desktop Publishing Concepts and Applications: InDesign**  
Special Fees. Prerequisites: (CIOS A108 or concurrent enrollment) and (CIOS A130A or concurrent enrollment). Special Fees. Presents fundamental digital design techniques and the utilization of desktop publishing software to generate professional publications.

**CIOS A254A Desktop Publishing II: PageMaker**  
Contact Hours: 2+0 or 0+6  
Prerequisites: CIOS A154A. Special Fees. Applies skills learned in CIOS A154A to more advanced desktop publishing concepts and techniques. Presents design techniques and the use of desktop publishing software to generate sophisticated publications. Topics include scanning, graphic formats, typography, and integration with other applications.

**CIOS A254B Desktop Publishing II: MS Publisher**  
Contact Hours: 2+0 or 0+6  
Prerequisites: CIOS A154B. Special Fees. Applies skills learned in CIOS A154B to more advanced desktop publishing concepts and techniques. Presents design techniques and the use of desktop publishing software to generate sophisticated publications. Topics include scanning, graphic formats, typography, and integration with other applications.

**CIOS A259 Preparing Electronic Documents: Adobe Acrobat**  
Contact Hours: 1+0 or 0+3  
Prerequisites: CIOS A130A and (CIOS A146 or concurrent enrollment). Special Fees. Covers publishing documents in portable document format, and designing and creating forms and documents that can be emailed, uploaded, and accessed on the World Wide Web, placed on intranet file systems, or permanently stored on various media storage devices.

**CIOS A260A Business Communications**  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: ENGL A111. Registration Restrictions: Keyboarding and word processing skills, knowledge of document formats, or instructor permission. Special Fees. Applies communication principles to creating business messages that involve problem solving and human relations issues. Topics include communications foundations, the writing process, workplace correspondence and reporting data, and communicating both personally and digitally.
COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

CIOS A261A Interpersonal Skills in Organizations 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: CIOS A165.
Special Fees.
Examines theories and practices of human behavior in the workplace.
Emphasizes leadership theory, problems in communication and motivation, and interpersonal skills that enhance the ability to function successfully with others in an organization.

CIOS A262A Professional Development 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Special Fees.
Examines how to assess personal talents and career goals to develop appropriate cover letters, resumes, and portfolios. Emphasizes job search techniques, preparing to be successful during interviews and how to be successful on the job.

CIOS A264A Records Management 2 CR
Contact Hours: 2+0 or 0+6
Prerequisites: CIOS A164 and CIOS A165.
Special Fees.
Applies principles learned in CIOS A164 to management of information and records. Covers the field of records management, legal and ethical issues, and controls and technology related to creation, use, maintenance, protection, retrieval, and disposition of paper and electronic records.

CIOS A265 Office Management 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3+0 or 0+9
Prerequisites: CIOS A165 and CIOS A260A.
Special Fees.
Examines workplace trends, management techniques, communication, conflict resolution, ethics, diversity, technology, legal issues, and the changing roles of the administrative professional.

CIOS A267 Law Office Procedures: Client Documents 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: CIOS A201A and [CIOS A230A or CIOS A230B].
Special Fees.
Special Note: Students are encouraged to complete the complementary course, CIOS A266.
Applies word processing and computer skills to preparation of legal documents in the areas of corporate, family, probate, real estate, and bankruptcy law with emphasis on accuracy, style, and understanding the purpose of the documents. Studies legal procedures and legal vocabulary in these areas and examines law office organization and legal ethics.

CIOS A269 Alaska Rules of Civil Procedures 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: CIOS A266.
Special Fees.
Studies Alaska Rules of Civil Procedure and Alaska Rules of Appellate Procedure in depth as they apply particularly to lawyers’ assistants working with litigation documents.

CIOS A270 Project Management Fundamentals 2 CR
Contact Hours: 2 + 0
Special Fees.
Introduces project management fundamentals and develops skills required to contribute as a project team member and leader of small projects that are related to a student’s area of technical expertise. Topics include project planning and design, project team skills, project implementation and reporting, and project completion.

CIOS A276A Independent Project 1-3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 3-9
Registration Restrictions: 12 credits in CIOS courses and instructor permission.
Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.
Special Fees.
Special Note: Advanced knowledge of CIOS topics required.
Focuses on developing, implementing and completing a project based on a current business need or issue. Students work closely with faculty to produce an end product and report.

CIOS A294W Digital Imaging Concepts and Applications: Advanced 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: CIOS A152A.
Special Fees.
Builds on skills learned in CIOS A152A, applying advanced digital imaging techniques, including basic color theory, manipulating images, and adding images to electronic documents.

CIOS A295 Office Internship 1-3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 3-9
Prerequisites: CIOS A165.
Registration Restrictions: Minimum of 12 CIOS credits and instructor permission.
Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.
Special Fees.
Special Note: Requires 45 hours of work experience for each credit. Places students in business offices related to their educational program and occupational objectives. Includes conference with faculty coordinator.

Computer Information Systems CIS

CIS A105 Introduction to Personal Computers and Application Software 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Registration Restrictions: Keyboarding skill of 30 wpm or better is recommended.
Introduction to computer literacy emphasizing basic hands-on use of personal computers, operating systems, and application software to include word processing, spreadsheets, databases, presentation graphics, and the internet.

CIS A110 Computer Concepts in Business 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Registration Restrictions: Recommended: MATH A105, CIS A105, familiarity with personal computers and basic software applications, and keyboarding of at least 30 wpm.
Introduction to computing concepts and productivity software from an end user’s perspective. Course covers hardware, software, the information processing cycle, beginning programming concepts, and personal computer software packages. The course emphasizes solving business problems using spreadsheet and database applications.

Computer & Network Technology CNT

CNT A160 PC Operating Systems 3 CR
Contact Hours: 2 + 3
Special Fees.
Develops basic understanding of command line, desktop, and server operating systems. Includes computer programming, architecture, and hardware necessary to understand the operating system interactions.

CNT A161 PC Architecture 1 CR
Contact Hours: 1 + .5
Special Fees.
Covers basic hardware associated with microcomputer operation, including, but not limited to, memory, motherboards, CPUs, chipsets, buses, expansion slots, and resource allocation.

CNT A162 PC Building, Upgrading, and Architecture 3 CR
Contact Hours: 2 + 2
Special Fees.
Describes how to evaluate, install, and troubleshoot available software and hardware computer equipment. Covers basic hardware associated with microcomputer operation, including, but not limited to, motherboards, CPUs, chipsets, memory, buses, expansion slots and resource allocations. Also demonstrates and practices PC disassembly, assembly, software installations, safety and maintenance.
CNT A163  Introduction to Networking  1 CR
Contact Hours:  1 + .5
Special Fees.
Introduces the concepts of networking protocols, communication
techniques, and hardware components of LAN, MAN, and WAN networks.

CNT A164  Network Cabling  1 CR
Contact Hours:  1 + .5
Special Fees.
Introduces the different physical mediums and their characteristics
associated with networking. This will include, but not be limited to, types
of copper and fiber optic cables, connections, testing, cabling planning,
and layout.

CNT A165  Customer Service Fundamentals  1 CR
Contact Hours:  1 + 0
Special Fees.
Introduces basic customer service principles, including relationships,
perceptions, telephone techniques, quality, ethics, record keeping,
interpersonal relationships, and teamwork.

CNT A170  Cisco Academy Network Fundamentals  4 CR
Contact Hours:  3 + 2.5
Special Fees.
Covers networking fundamentals and develops basic skills in designing,
installing, and troubleshooting local area networks. Topics include
cabling, cabling closets, Ethernet technologies, management devices,
protocols, sub-netting, network device selection, installation and
troubleshooting.

CNT A180  PC Interfacing, Peripherals, Storage and A+  4 CR
Contact Hours:  3 + 2
Prerequisites: CNT A160 and CNT A162.
Special Fees.
Covers PC peripheral devices, auxiliary storage devices and the interfaces
used to connect them to the personal computer. Also covers the
fundamentals topics necessary to prepare for the Core Hardware portion
of the CompTIA A+ Certification.

CNT A181  PC Auxiliary Storage  1 CR
Contact Hours:  1 + .5
Prerequisites: CNT A160 and CNT A161 and CNT A162.
Special Fees.
Introduces PC storage devices and interfaces, including, but not limited to,
magnetic storage, optical storage, disk drives, drive installation,
configuration, and file systems.

CNT A182  PC Peripheral Devices  1 CR
Contact Hours:  1 + .5
Prerequisites: CNT A160 and CNT A161 and CNT A162.
Special Fees.
Introduces ancillary PC hardware, including keyboards, printers, pointing
devices, video displays, video capture, scanners, and digital cameras.

CNT A183  Local Area Networks  3 CR
Contact Hours:  2 + 2
Prerequisites: CNT A160 and CNT A162.
Special Fees.
Presents the fundamentals of Local Area Networking, including topologies,
protocols, computer and delivery hardware, Ethernet, network operating
systems, LAN assessment, and other related software. Covers the
fundamental networking topics necessary to prepare for the CompTIA
Net+ Exam.

CNT A184  Introduction to TCP/IP  1 CR
Contact Hours:  1 + 1
Prerequisites: CNT A183.
Special Fees.
Presents transmission control protocol/internet protocol, including
structure, addressing, data transfer, software, applications, and
troubleshooting.

CNT A190  Selected Topics in MOUS Certifications  1 CR
Contact Hours:  .5 + 1
Prerequisites: CNT A101.
Special Note: May be repeated for credit with a change of subtitle.
Special Fees.
Provides advanced Microsoft training leading to MOUS certifications in
selected software topics from the Office 2000 suite.

CNT A210  PC Technician Fundamentals  3 CR
Contact Hours:  3 + 0
Prerequisites: CIS A105.
Introduction to the principles of personal computer hardware/software
maintenance and troubleshooting. The course is designed to give the
student equivalent experience of a PC technician that has been working
for six months.

CNT A212  Network Technician Fundamentals  3 CR
Contact Hours:  1 + 2
Prerequisites: CNT A210.
Introduces the principles of developing, installing, maintaining and
troubleshooting Peer-to-Peer, Local Area, and Wide Area Networks.
Designed to serve the needs of advanced computer end-users interested
in mastering broad, vendor-independent networking concepts. Provides
students with the knowledge and experience required to pass the
CompTIA Network + exam.

CNT A240  Windows System Essentials  2 CR
Contact Hours:  1 + 2
Prerequisites: CNT A210.
Special Fees.
Provides an introduction to networking concepts, features, and
capabilities and their implementation within the Windows environment.

CNT A241  Administering and Supporting
Windows Workstations and Server  3 CR
Contact Hours:  2 + 2
Prerequisites: CNT A240.
Special Fees.
Presents concepts and skills necessary to install and configure Windows
Server on stand-alone computers and on client computers that are part of
a workgroup or domain.

CNT A242  Windows Network
Infrastructure Administration  3 CR
Contact Hours:  2 + 2
Prerequisites: CNT A241.
Special Fees.
Provides students with the knowledge and skills to implement and
manage the network infrastructure associated with a Windows domain.

CNT A243  Windows Directory Services Administration  3 CR
Contact Hours:  2 + 2
Prerequisites: CNT A242.
Provides students with the skills and knowledge to install, configure, and
administer the Windows Active Directory Service for a Windows domain.

CNT A244  Designing Secure Windows Networks  3 CR
Contact Hours:  2 + 2
Prerequisites: CNT A242.
Provides students with the knowledge and skills to design a security
framework for small, medium, and enterprise networks using Microsoft
Windows technologies.

CNT A245  Windows Directory Services Design  2 CR
Contact Hours:  1 + 2
Prerequisites: CNT A243.
Provides students with the knowledge and skills to design a Microsoft
Windows directory services infrastructure in an enterprise network.

CNT A246  Windows Network Infrastructure Design  2 CR
Contact Hours:  1 + 2
Prerequisites: CNT A244.
Provides students with the knowledge and skills to design a Microsoft
Windows networking services infrastructure design that supports the
network applications required for the needs of an organization.
### Computer Science

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**CS A101 Introduction to Computer Science**
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: MATH A105 with minimum grade of C.
Registration Restrictions: If prerequisite is not satisfied, appropriate SAT or ACT scores or approved UAA Placement Test required.
Special Fees.
Special Note: Students who intend to major in computer science may take this course as preparation for their course of study. Offers a broad overview of computer science designed to provide students with an appreciation for and an understanding of the many different aspects of computer science. Topics include discrete mathematics, an introduction to programming languages, algorithmic problem solving, basic concepts in hardware, operating systems, networks, graphics, and an overview of the social context of computing. The following basic computer skills are expected: how to use a web browser, send email, edit with a word processor, copy files, open and save documents, and open and close windows.

**CS A109 Computer Programming (Languages Vary)**
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: MATH A105 with minimum grade of C.
Registration Restrictions: If prerequisite is not satisfied, appropriate SAT or ACT scores or approved UAA Placement Test required.
Special Fees.
Special Note: May be repeated twice for credit with a change in language. Problem analysis and solution using a selected programming language.

**CS A201 Programming Concepts I**
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: CS A101 or [MATH A107 or MATH A108 or MATH A109].
Registration Restrictions: Meet prerequisites or placement into MATH A200 or MATH A272.
Special Fees.
An introduction to object-oriented programming techniques and problem solving. This includes basic syntax; sequential, branching, and looping execution; as well as concepts such as inheritance, encapsulation, and polymorphism.

**CS A202 Programming Concepts II**
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: CS A201.
Continuation of object-oriented programming. Topics include: inheritance, abstraction, interfaces, references, polymorphism, dynamic binding, class hierarchies, container classes, random access file I/O, serializability, graphical applications, event handling, UML, and object-oriented design.

**CS A207 C Programming**
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: MATH A105 with minimum grade of C.
Registration Restrictions: If prerequisite is not satisfied, two years of high school algebra with a minimum grade of C or Math Placement Test is required.
Training and practice in writing programs in the C programming language.
Construction Management  CM

CM A101  Fundamentals of CADD for Building Construction  4 CR
Contact Hours: 2 + 4
Registration Restrictions: Proof of eligibility for placement into MATH A105 and ENGL A111.
Crosslisted with: AET A101.
Special Fees.
Introduces basic CADD (computer-aided drafting and design) skills necessary in civil, architectural, structural, mechanical, and electrical drafting within the construction industry. Defines the working relationship between design and construction professionals and drafters/technicians.

CM A102  Methods of Building Construction  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Registration Restrictions: Proof of eligibility for placement into MATH A105 and ENGL A111.
Crosslisted with: AET A102.
Special Fees.
Introduces basic knowledge of building materials, technical specifications, techniques, and systems. Outlines structural systems, construction processes, and assemblies. Includes a field project involving student team research of current Alaskan building type.

CM A123  Codes and Standards  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: CM A101 and CM A102.
Crosslisted with: AET A123.
Special Fees.
Provides an introduction and overview of the fundamental provisions of the building codes used for plan review, life-safety evaluation of buildings, and community development.

CM A142  Mechanical and Electrical Technology  4 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 2
Prerequisites: CM A101 and CM A102.
Crosslisted with: AET A142.
Special Fees.
Introduces the basic mechanical and electrical systems required in all buildings for the safety, health, comfort, and convenience of the occupants. Emphasizes design criteria, code requirements, and interpretation of construction drawings.

CM A163  Building Construction Cost Estimating  3 CR
Contact Hours: 2 + 2
Prerequisites: CM A101 and CM A102 and MATH A105.
Special Fees.
Presents methods and techniques for preparing accurate cost estimates for building construction projects. Emphasizes quantity takeoffs, unit pricing, productivity factors, bidding and negotiation procedures, and cost reporting.

CM A201  Construction Project Management I  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: CM A101 and CM A102.
Special Fees.
Examines construction project management methods and processes. Includes project delivery systems introduction and contract types; contract administration procedures; jobsite planning and logistics; and managing labor, materials, and equipment.

CM A213  Civil Technology  4 CR
Contact Hours: 2 + 4
Prerequisites: CM A101 and CM A102.
Crosslisted with: AET A213.
Special Fees.
Outlines elements of civil design, including soils and soil mechanics, foundations, roads, utilities using local, state, and federal regulations. Students will also be introduced to elements of construction surveying.

CM A231  Structural Technology  4 CR
Contact Hours: 2 + 4
Prerequisites: CM A101 and CM A102.
Crosslisted with: AET A231.
Special Fees.
Examines structural theory and the physical principles that underlie structural behavior. Includes the use of materials in a manner to maintain structural stability against the natural forces of gravity, wind, snow, and earthquakes. Covers connection detailing and code requirements for wood, steel, and reinforced concrete.

Counseling  COUN

COUN A101  Introduction to Career Exploration  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1 + 0
Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.
An introduction to career exploration. Includes exploring self-concept, values, interests, skills, aptitudes, work orientation, occupational information and decision making.

COUN A107  Managing Stress  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1 + 0
Examines general causes of stress and effective methods to eliminate or manage stress in your own life.

Creative Writing & Literary Arts  CWLA

CWLA A259  Short Format Introduction to Creative Writing  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1 + 0
Special Note: This course may be taken up to six times for credit.
Introduction to one type of creative writing conducted in short one-credit workshops.

CWLA A260A  Introduction to Creative Writing: Multiple Forms  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Special Note: This course may be taken twice for credit.
Introduction to two or more types of creative writing, with close analysis of each student's work.

CWLA A260B  Introduction to Creative Writing: Poetry  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Special Note: This course may be taken twice for credit.
Introduction to techniques of writing poetry, with close analysis of each student's work.

CWLA A260C  Introduction to Creative Writing: Fiction  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Special Note: May be taken twice for credit.
Introduction to techniques of writing fiction, with close analysis of each student's work.

CWLA A260E  Introduction to Creative Writing: Nonfiction  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Special Note: This course may be taken twice for credit.
Introduction to techniques of writing nonfiction, with close analysis of each student's work.

CWLA A260G  Introduction to Creative Writing: Women's Writing Workshop  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Special Note: May be taken twice for credit.
Practice in two or more types of creative writing, with close analysis of each student's work. Participants examine the roles and challenges of women writers in society and explore narrative possibilities unique to writing by women.
### Dietetics & Nutrition

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**DN A145**

Contact Hours: 3 + 0

Introduces the nutritional needs and dietary recommendations for newborns, infants, toddlers, preschool and school-age children, and adolescents. Covers common childhood and adolescent conditions and corresponding nutrition interventions.

**DN A147**

Contact Hours: 3 + 0

Focuses on the nutritional needs of the older person, based on physiological changes in aging, with emphasis on nutritionally related diseases, procuring and preparing food, and assistive care. Designed for those preparing for careers in elderly care and for those interested in learning how to care for themselves in later years.

**DN A203**

Contact Hours: 3 + 0

Prerequisites: ([BIOL A112 or concurrent enrollment] and [BIOL A112L or concurrent enrollment]) or [CHEM A104 or concurrent enrollment]. Studies nutrition in the life cycle including food sources and requirements of nutrients; physiological and metabolic aspects of nutrient function. Reviews disease states, food selection, cultural and contemporary issues of concern to health professionals.

### Economics

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**ECON A201**

Prerequisites: MATH A105 or MATH A107 or MATH A172.

Contact Hours: 3 + 0

Prerequisites: ECON A201.

Introduction to economics including analysis and theory of national income, money and banking, public finance and taxation, economic growth, and international finance. Primary concentration on the capitalist system and the United States economy.

**ECON A202**

Prerequisites: ECON A201.

Contact Hours: 3 + 0

Course Attributes: UAA GER Social Sciences Req.

Theory of prices and markets, industrial organization, public policy, income distribution, contemporary problems of labor and business, and international trade.

### Education

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**ED A216**

Contact Hours: 3 + 0

Intended for teachers, parents, librarians, or anyone interested in reading many books for preschoolers through 6th grade. Much attention to selection and best use of children's literature.

### Education: Early Childhood

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**EDEC A105**

Contact Hours: 3 + 0

Course Attributes: UAA GER Social Sciences Req.

Special Note: This course requires a field experience and background check clearance.

Survey of historical, social, and philosophical foundations of the field of early childhood. Core topics include ethics, developmentally appropriate practices, observation and documentation, survey of types of early childhood settings, and professionalism in the field of early childhood.

**EDEC A106**

Contact Hours: 2 + 2

Special Fees.

Explores creativity and importance of the arts in early childhood education.

**EDEC A201**

Contact Hours: 2 + 0

Focuses on the diverse roles of the early childhood practitioner, with an emphasis on self-analysis, ethical conduct, reflection and ongoing professional growth.

**EDEC A206**

Contact Hours: 2 + 2

Prerequisites: EDEC A105.

Examines early childhood curriculum models to organize, integrate, and implement with young children. Explores interest-based, developmentally appropriate, and standards-based curriculum ideas.

**EDEC A210**

Contact Hours: 3 + 0

Prerequisites: EDEC A105.

Examines of the learning principles relevant to guidance of young children. The course introduces the social, emotional, and intellectual development of young children and the implications for effective child guidance and motivation in the classroom.

**EDEC A241**

Contact Hours: 3 + 0

Prerequisites: EDEC A105.

Examines the development of infants and toddlers, infant/toddler care programs, the roles of caregivers and their relationships with families. This course emphasizes cognitive, language, emotional, and motor development, and the importance of relationships in the care and education of infants and toddlers.

**EDEC A242**

Contact Hours: 3 + 0

Prerequisites: EDEC A105 or EDFN A101 or EDESE A212 or PSY A245.

Examines the importance and complexity of children's families and communities. The course explores programs that support family-centered principles underlying program planning, implementation, and relationship building.

**EDEC A292**

Contact Hours: 1 + 0

Registration Restrictions: Department approval

Corequisite: EDEC A295.

This seminar accompanies EDEC A295. Provides opportunity for exchange of ideas and experiences, evaluation and reflection concerning developmentally appropriate practice.

**EDEC A295**

Contact Hours: 0 + 10

Prerequisites: EDEC A105 and EDEC A210 and EDEC A241 and EDEC A242.

Registration Restrictions: Department approval

Corequisite: EDEC A292.

Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.

Honoraria Special Fee.

Supervised field experience in early childhood classroom. Students develop, implement and evaluate elements of a comprehensive, developmentally appropriate curriculum and learning environment.
EDEC A295B  Practicum II  3 CR
Contact Hours: 1 + 2
Prerequisites: EDEC A295A.
Registration Restrictions: Faculty permission required. Must have faculty permission to take concurrently with EDEC A295A. Honoraria Special Fee.
Supervised experience in an instructor approved early childhood setting. Emphasis is on an increasing level of responsibility for planning/supervising all program areas. Experience includes an initial assessment in all areas of professional competencies. An individual plan for the semester will be developed.

EDEC A303  Young Children in Inclusive Settings  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: EDEC A301.
Registration Restrictions: Departmental approval required; admission to College of Education, pre-major status or admission to Associate of Applied Sciences in Early Childhood. Special Note: Field experience is required. Examines the principles, issues, concepts, and teaching practices to support young children with disabilities in community child care settings and primary classrooms.

EDEC A308  Literature for Young Children  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: [EDSE A212 and EDEC A212L] or [PSY A245 and PSY A245L]. Explores variety of children’s literature with emphasis on selecting, interpreting, and using quality literature with young children.

Education: Elementary Education  EDEL

EDEL A430  Teaching Language Arts in Elementary Schools  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: EDFN A300 and EDFN A301 and EDFN A303 and EDSE A482. Registration Restrictions: Departmental approval required; Admission to Internship. Special Fees. Students focus on theory and process of language arts: reading, writing, speaking, listening, viewing, and visually representing. Reflects a constructivist approach to teaching and learning and research-based practice. Concurrent enrollment in internship required.

EDEL A431  Creative Expression: Music, Art, and Drama for Elementary Teachers  3 CR
Contact Hours: 1 + 4
Prerequisites: EDFN A300 and EDFN A301 and EDFN A303 and EDSE A482. Registration Restrictions: Departmental approval required; Admission to Internship. Special Fees. Principles, methods, and materials of teaching music, art, and drama at the elementary school level. A wide variety of creative activities that are basic to elementary curricula are explored. Includes the use of music, art, and drama in standards-based curriculum planning and assessment for the diverse student population in elementary classrooms. Concurrent enrollment in internship required.

EDEL A495A  Internship I  3 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 9
Prerequisites: EDFN A300 and EDFN A301 and EDFN A303 and EDSE A482. Registration Restrictions: Departmental approval required; Admission to Internship. Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass. Special Fees. Special Note: Course begins in accordance with the K-12 school year calendar, not the university academic year calendar. Supervised internship in an educational facility. Interns work with mentor teachers and demonstrate development of their teaching proficiency. Weekly internship seminar required.

EDEL A495B  Internship II  6 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 18
Prerequisites: EDEL A495A.
Registration Restrictions: Departmental approval required; Admission to Internship. Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass. Special Fees. Special Note: Course begins in accordance with the K-12 school year calendar, not the university academic year calendar. Supervised internship in an educational facility. Internship II will continue the experiences begun in Internship I, students continuing to work with their mentor teachers and demonstrating continued development of their teaching proficiency. All students will teach an extended unit during this course and will be expected to assume complete responsibility for the classroom for an extended period. Weekly internship seminar is required.

Education: Foundations  EDFN

EDFN A101  Introduction to Education  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: [EDSE A212 or concurrent enrollment] or [PSY A245 or concurrent enrollment]. Registration Restrictions: Completion of GER Tier 1 (basic college-level skills) courses and junior standing. Departmental approval. Course Attributes: UAA GER Integrative Capstone. Special Fees. The course introduces students to the history of American education, an examination of contemporary issues in education, and basic classroom observational techniques. Students self-assess personal profile against characteristics of effective teachers. Course includes field experience.

EDFN A300  Philosophical and Social Context of American Education  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: [EDSE A212 or concurrent enrollment] or [PSY A245 or concurrent enrollment]. Registration Restrictions: Departmental approval required; Admission to the College of Education. Special Fees. The course examines the social and philosophical issues that influence education in the U.S. and the world. It explores significant educational movements, theories, and research related to educational philosophy, sociology, and history to develop a framework for professional educational practice. Course emphasizes the importance of developing a coherent philosophy to guide teaching practice in a culturally diverse and inclusive classroom.

EDFN A301  Foundations of Literacy and Language Development  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: PSY A245. Registration Restrictions: Departmental approval required; Admission to the College of Education. Special Fees. The course explores how children learn language, similarities, and differences between first and second language acquisition, how culture influences language and literacy development, and how language is taught. Course tracks language acquisition from birth to the school years. Course includes field experience.

EDFN A302  Foundations of Educational Technology  2 CR
Contact Hours: 2 + 0
Prerequisites: PSY A245. Registration Restrictions: Departmental approval required; Admission to the College of Education. Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass. Special Fees. The course provides prospective teachers with the general skills needed to integrate technology into their teaching and learning. Presents an overview of the issues, pedagogies, and skills needed to guide the effective use and assessment of technology in elementary school classrooms. Technologies used in schools as educational tools will be introduced.
**Emergency Medical Technology  EMT**

The EMT program is currently under revision. Please check with Student Services or the on-line course schedule for semester offerings.

Students must have the strength to be able to move victims, sufficient vision to assess condition of victims, and dexterity to perform the skills application procedures.

- **EMT A110  Emergency Trauma Technician  3 CR**
  - Contact Hours: 2 + 2
  - Special Fees: Alaska State certified basic emergency medical course beyond advanced first aid. Emphasizes prevention, assessment, and care of injury and illness commonly encountered in both urban and rural settings.

- **EMT A130  Emergency Medical Technician I  6 CR**
  - Contact Hours: 4 + 4
  - Registration Restrictions: Provide evidence of professional CPR training and certification that includes adult, child, and infant CPR and airways obstruction relief maneuvers, including two rescuer CPR and barrier devices.

- **EMT A230  Emergency Medical Technician II  3 CR**
  - Contact Hours: 2 + 2
  - Prerequisites: EMT A130.
  - Registration Restrictions: Must be certified as a State of Alaska EMT I or Nationally Registered EMT-Basic (comity is required). Current healthcare provider CPR card; Documentation of 10 patient contacts since becoming a certified EMT and a DHSS-approved sponsoring physician.

- **EMT A231  Emergency Medical Technician III  3 CR**
  - Contact Hours: 2 + 2
  - Prerequisites: EMT A130 and EMT A230.
  - Registration Restrictions: Currently certified in Alaska as an EMT II, documented 10 patient contacts and 10 intravenous sticks.

**Engineering  ENGR**

- **ENGR A151  Engineering Practices I  3 CR**
  - Contact Hours: 3 + 0
  - Prerequisites: [MATH A107 and MATH A108] or MATH A109.
  - Provides an overview of the engineering profession and the fundamental tools for practicing engineering. Presents the basic skills required of engineers including an introduction to engineering mathematics, spreadsheets, analytical problem solving, word processing, communication, presentations, descriptive geometry, and computer graphics.

- **ENGR A161  Engineering Practices II  3 CR**
  - Contact Hours: 3 + 0
  - Prerequisites: [MATH A107 and MATH A108] or MATH A109.
  - Presents the basic skills required of engineers for using computers to solve engineering problems and presenting results in a professional form. Application of computation methods and tools for practicing engineering. Introduction to computer programming and engineering problem solving softwares including visual basic in spreadsheets, Matlab, and Mathcad.

**English  ENGL**

Students registering in ENGL A109 and ENGL A111 and Preparatory English classes must have appropriate score on English Placement Test from COMPASS, SAT Verbal or ACT English, or a grade of C or better in prerequisite course. Check with the Advising & Assessment in FSM 102 for clarification. Mat-Su College administers and places students with the COMPASS placement test.

**Secondary School Students:** Individual department and disciplines may require additional testing or assessment.

- **ENGL A109  Introduction to Writing in Academic Contexts  3 CR**
  - Contact Hours: 3 + 0
  - Prerequisites: PRPE A086 with minimum grade of C or [COMPASS E-Write (1-12 scale) with score of 08 and COMPASS Reading Skills with score of 75] or Accuplacer-Reading Comp with score of 070 and Accuplacer-Sentence Skills with score of 080).
  - Registration Restrictions: Meet Prerequisite or appropriate score on English Placement Test.
  - Special Fees: Preparation for ENGL A111 and alternative to PRPE A108. Introduces academic essay writing and technology skills in a computer classroom. Develops practical skills for writing and revising, including review of grammar and punctuation.

- **ENGL A111  Methods of Written Communication  3 CR**
  - Contact Hours: 3 + 0
  - Prerequisites: ENGL A109 with minimum grade of C or PRPE A108 with minimum grade of C or [COMPASS E-Write (1-12 scale) with score of 10 and COMPASS Reading Skills with score of 75] or [Accuplacer-Reading Comp with score of 085 and Accuplacer-Sentence Skills with score of 095] or SAT Critical Reading Score with score of 530 or SAT Verbal Score with score of 530 or Enhanced ACT English with score of 22 or Original ACT English with score of 22 or ACT English with score of 22 or SAT Verbal with score of 530.
  - Registration Restrictions: Appropriate score on English Placement Test, SAT Verbal Section, or ACT English Test will waive the ENGL A109 or PRPE A108 prerequisite.
  - Course Attributes: UAA GER Written Communication. Special Fees: Instruction in composition of expository essays with emphasis on different techniques for organization and development. Documented paper required. Readings in some sections may be coordinated with another discipline.

- **ENGL A116  Writing Life Stories  3 CR**
  - Contact Hours: 3 + 0
  - Offered only at Matanuska-Susitna College.
  - Students will learn to write and record family history from a personal perspective, to preserve newspaper clippings and photos, and create a genealogical chart for their family.
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| ENGL A120   | Critical/Creative Thinking                               | 3 CR    | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Registration Restrictions: Average reading skills recommended. Special Fees. Introductory course emphasizing principles and techniques of thinking better. Focuses on critical and creative thinking and problem solving strategies. |
| ENGL A121   | Introduction to Literature                              | 3 CR    | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement. Special Fees. Course for non-majors. Introduction to analysis and appreciation of fiction, drama, and poetry. Emphasis on reading and discussion. |
| ENGL A150   | Women Writers                                            | 3 CR    | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Special Fees. A survey of women authors, with examination of how they portray both women and men in their writings.                                                                                     |
| ENGL A201   | Masterpieces of World Literature I                      | 3 CR    | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: ENGL A111. Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement. Special Fees. Introductory course for majors and non-majors. Emphasizes understanding literature, forming critical vocabulary, and developing critical judgment. Selected masterpieces from ancient times through the Renaissance. |
| ENGL A202   | Masterpieces of World Literature II                     | 3 CR    | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: ENGL A111. Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement. Special Fees. Introductory course for majors and non-majors. Emphasizes understanding literature, forming critical vocabulary, and developing critical judgment. Selected masterpieces from the Renaissance to the present. |
| ENGL A211   | Academic Writing About Literature                        | 3 CR    | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: ENGL A111 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A1W with minimum grade of C or ENGL A2W with minimum grade of C or ENGL A3W with minimum grade of C or SAT Critical Reading Score with score of 620 or SAT Verbal Score with score of 620 or Enhanced ACT English with score of 30 or Original ACT English with score of 30.  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Written Communication. Special Fees. Instruction in writing based on close analysis of literature. Develops a broad range of expository writing skills. MLA research paper required. |
| ENGL A212   | Technical Writing                                        | 3 CR    | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: ENGL A111 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A1W with minimum grade of C or ENGL A2W with minimum grade of C or SAT Critical Reading Score with score of 620 or SAT Verbal Score with score of 620 or Enhanced ACT English with score of 30 or Original ACT English with score of 30.  
Registration Restrictions: If prerequisite is not satisfied, appropriate SAT, ACT, or AP scores or approved UAA placement test required. Course Attributes: UAA GER Written Communication. Special Fees. Instruction in basic communicative purposes, forms, styles, and visual elements commonly used by professionals who write and edit technical documents. Provides experience in writing and editing in a collaborative environment. Requires a research report and APA documentation style. |
| ENGL A213   | Writing in the Social and Natural Sciences               | 3 CR    | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: ENGL A111 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A1W with minimum grade of C or ENGL A2W with minimum grade of C or ENGL A3W with minimum grade of C or SAT Critical Reading Score with score of 620 or SAT Verbal Score with score of 620 or Enhanced ACT English with score of 30 or Original ACT English with score of 30.  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Written Communication. Special Fees. Instruction in academic writing based on close analysis of readings in various disciplines, primarily the social and natural sciences. Develops a broad range of expository writing skills, including composition of the empirical report. APA research paper required. |
| ENGL A214   | Persuasive Writing                                       | 3 CR    | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: ENGL A111 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A1W with minimum grade of C or ENGL A2W with minimum grade of C or ENGL A3W with minimum grade of C or SAT Critical Reading Score with score of 620 or SAT Verbal Score with score of 620 or Enhanced ACT English with score of 30 or Original ACT English with score of 30.  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Written Communication. Special Fees. Instruction in writing based on theories of persuasion and argument practiced in disciplines across the curriculum. Focuses on the rhetorical issues of audience, invention, evidence, and style. Develops a broad range of analytical, descriptive, and persuasive skills, with special attention to their application in a variety of academic environments. Research-supported papers required. Selection of readings may be coordinated with another discipline. |
| ENGL A306   | Literature of the United States I                        | 3 CR    | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: ENGL A211 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A212 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A213 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A214 with minimum grade of C.  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement. Study of significant writers of the United States focusing primarily on the 19th century and including literature that reflects important cultural, historical, political, and aesthetic forces. |
| ENGL A307   | Literature of the United States II                       | 3 CR    | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: ENGL A211 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A212 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A213 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A214 with minimum grade of C.  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement. Study of significant writers of the United States focusing primarily on the 20th century and including literature that reflects important cultural, historical, political, and aesthetic forces. |
| ENGL A311   | Advanced Composition                                     | 3 CR    | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: ENGL A211 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A212 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A213 with minimum grade of C.  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Written Communication. Advanced instruction in composing and reviewing written texts, with focus on multiple rhetorical situations. |
| ENGL A312   | Advanced Technical Writing                               | 3 CR    | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: ENGL A211 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A212 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A213 with minimum grade of C.  
Registration Restrictions: ENGL A212 recommended.  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Written Communication. Instruction in principles of textual and visual design in order to understand, analyze, evaluate, and design effective technical communication. Practice in standard editing for both print and online documents. |
| ENGL A351   | Poetry                                                   | 3 CR    | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: ENGL A201 and ENGL A202.  
An intensive study of the forms and techniques used by poets. |
COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

ENGL A361 The Novel 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: ENGL A201 or ENGL A202 or ENGL A211.
Intensive study of the forms and techniques used by novelists within the framework of a historically developing genre.

ENGL A403 Topics in Autobiography 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: ENGL A211 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A212 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A213 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A214 with minimum grade of C.
Special Note: Applies once toward the Specialized Studies requirement for English literature majors; may be repeated once with a change of subtitle for elective credit.
Study of autobiography and the techniques used and issues raised in this form, with readings focused on a selected theme. Practice in writing autobiography.

ENGL A414 Research Writing 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: ENGL A211 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A212 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A213 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A311 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A312 with minimum grade of C.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Written Communication.

ENGL A424 Shakespeare 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: ENGL A201 and ENGL A202.
Special Note: May be repeated once for credit with faculty permission. Major works and a survey of Shakespearean criticism. Plays covered vary from semester to semester.

ENGL A435 History of Criticism 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: ENGL A201 and ENGL A202.
Critical theory from its classical origins to the present.

ENGL A444 Topics in Native Literatures 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: ENGL A211 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A212 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A213 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A214 with minimum grade of C.
Special Note: Applies once toward requirement for English majors; may be repeated once for elective credit with a change of subtitle. In-depth studies of particular topics in Native literatures. Primary emphasis on American Indian and Alaska Native literatures, but topics may sometimes focus upon other indigenous literatures in the world.

ENGL A487 Standard Written English 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: LING A201.
Analysis of English emphasizing traditional grammar, standard usage, and rhetoric.

Environmental Studies ENVI

ENVI A211 Earth Systems: The Science and Geography of the Natural Environment 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: ENGL A111 and MATH A105.
Crosslisted with: GEOG A211.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sciences Req.
Special Note: A student may apply no more than 3 credits from ENVI A202, GEOG A205, ENVI A211, or GEOG A211 toward the graduation requirements for a baccalaureate degree.
The earth and its geography are discussed as a system of systems with feedbacks and interrelationships. Study of natural systems, cycles, and flows and natural and human induced changes in these systems. Topics include basic ecology, weather and climate, resources and resource stress (air, water, oceans, soils), natural hazards. Uses local, Arctic, and other regional examples.

ENVI A211L Earth Systems: The Science and Geography of the Natural Environment Laboratory 1 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 3
Prerequisites: ENGL A111 and MATH A105 and [ENVI A211 or GEOG A211].
Crosslisted with: GEOG A211L.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sci Lab Only.
Special Fees.
Special Note: A student may apply no more than 1 credit from GEOG A205L, ENVI A211L, or GEOG A211L toward the graduation requirements for a baccalaureate degree.
Laboratory introducing students to the systematic acquisition of data and its analysis and interpretation in a manner consistent with the disciplines of environmental studies and geography. Includes field and classroom experiences and the use of remotely sensed data and geographic information systems in interpretation, analysis, and presentation. Themes include: scientific method, map use, environmental problems at multiple scales, weather and climate, resources and resource stress (air, water, oceans, soils), and natural hazards.

French FREN

FREN A101 Elementary French I 4 CR
Contact Hours: 4 + 0
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.
Introductory course for students with no previous knowledge of the French language. Develops listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in French for effective communication at the elementary level. Students gain understanding of basic cross-cultural perspectives. Course conducted in French.

FREN A102 Elementary French II 4 CR
Contact Hours: 4 + 0
Prerequisites: FREN A101.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.
Continuation of introductory course. Further develops elementary listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in French for effective communication. Enhances appreciation of cross-cultural perspectives. Course conducted in French.

FREN A201 Intermediate French I 4 CR
Contact Hours: 4 + 0
Prerequisites: FREN A102.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.
Intermediate course for students with basic knowledge of French. Enhances listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills for effective communication at the intermediate level. Students critically examine diverse cultural perspectives. Course conducted in French.

FREN A202 Intermediate French II 4 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 2
Prerequisites: FREN A201.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.
Continuation of first semester in intermediate French. Further develops listening, speaking, reading, and writing proficiency for effective communication and in preparation for advanced study of French. Students interpret diverse cultural perspectives. Course conducted in French.

English-As-A-Second Language ESL

ESL A103 Oral Fluency I 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Registration Restrictions: Appropriate score on TOEFL/TSE or interview with ESL director.
For intermediate to advanced students. Instruction in pronunciation, listening comprehension, and speaking strategies for academic and career settings. Emphasis on self-monitoring. Includes special practice in group discussion techniques.

ESL A104 College Reading and Writing I 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Registration Restrictions: Appropriate score on English Placement Test or TOEFL.
For intermediate to advanced students. Extensive practice in reading and composition strategies for academic and career settings. Emphasis on alternatives to translation. Includes special practice in grammar.
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| GEOG A101  | Local Places/Global Regions: An Introduction to Geography           | 3 CR  | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Crosslisted with: INTL A101  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Social Sciences Req  
Introduction to cultural, political, and environmental diversity in an international context. Focus on key geologic issues, current events, and geographic approaches to understanding world problems.  

GEOG A205  | Elements of Physical Geography                                      | 3 CR  | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Registration Restrictions: GEOG A101 or A103 recommended, but not required.  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sciences Req  
Analysis of the processes that form the physical environment and the resulting physical patterns. Study of landforms, climate, soils, water resources, vegetation, and their world and regional patterns. Optional laboratory of one additional credit.  

GEOG A205L | Elements of Physical Geography Laboratory                           | 1 CR  | Contact Hours: 0 + 3  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sci Lab Only.  
Special Fees.  
Optional laboratory of one additional credit.  

GEOG A211  | Earth Systems: The Science and Geography of the Natural Environment | 3 CR  | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: ENGL A111 and MATH A105.  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sciences Req.  
Special Note: A student may apply no more than 3 credits from ENVI A202, GEOG A205, ENVI A211, or GEOG A211 toward the graduation requirements for a baccalaureate degree.  
The earth and its geography are discussed as a system of systems with feedbacks and interrelationships. Study of natural systems, cycles, and flows and natural and human induced changes in these systems. Topics include basic ecology, weather and climate, resources and resource stress (air, water, oceans, soils), natural hazards. Uses local, Arctic, and other regional examples.  

GEOG A211L | Earth Systems: The Science and Geography of the Natural Environment Laboratory | 1 CR  | Contact Hours: 0 + 3  
Prerequisites: ENGL A111 and MATH A105 and [ENVI A211 or GEOG A211].  
Crosslisted with: ENVI A211L.  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sci Lab Only.  
Special Fees.  
Special Note: A student may apply no more than 1 credit from GEOG A205L, ENVI A211L, or GEOG A211L toward the graduation requirements for a baccalaureate degree.  
Laboratory introducing students to the systematic acquisition of data and its analysis and interpretation in a manner consistent with the disciplines of environmental studies and geography. Includes field and classroom experiences and the use of remotely sensed data and geographic information systems in interpretation, analysis, and presentation. Themes include: scientific method, map use, environmental problems at multiple scales, weather and climate, resources and resource stress (air, water, oceans, soils), and natural hazards.  

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| GEOL A104  | Natural History of Alaska                                           | 3 CR  | Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Crosslisted with: BIOL A104.  
Special Note: Acceptable as elective credit only.  
Surveys important biological, physical and geological features of Alaska, and their development over time. Includes study of major landforms, ecosystems, wildlife and people. Local area will be emphasized.  

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| GEOL A111  | Physical Geology                                                    | 4 CR  | Contact Hours: 3 + 3  
Registration Restrictions: MATH A05S or higher  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Science w/ Lab.  
Special Fees.  
Introduction to physical geology. Study of earth, its materials, and processes affecting changes on and within. Laboratory training in use of topographic maps, and recognition of common rocks and minerals.  

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| GER A101    | Elementary German I                                                 | 4 CR  | Contact Hours: 4 + 0  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.  
Introductory course for students with no previous knowledge of the German language. Develops listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in German for effective communication at the elementary level. Students gain understanding of basic cross-cultural perspectives. Course conducted in German.  

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| GER A102    | Elementary German II                                                | 4 CR  | Contact Hours: 4 + 0  
Prerequisites: GER A101.  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.  
Continuation of introductory course. Further develops elementary listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in German for effective communication. Enhances appreciation of cross-cultural perspectives. Course conducted in German.  

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| GUID A150A  | Survival Skills/College                                             | 1 CR  | Contact Hours: 1 + 0  
Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.  
Participation in a variety of activities including, reading, notetaking and follow-up, large and small group discussions and activities, short written assignments and/or quizzes.  

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**HCD**

**HCD A015 Basic Life Support**  .8 CEU  
Contact Hours: 0 + 0  
Grade Mode: CEU.  
Special Fees:  
Special Note: Upon successful completion of this course, participants will receive a BLS certificate/card which is valid for two years.  
Designed for health care professionals and consumers who must respond to cardiac and respiratory emergencies. Includes information on prevention and early recognition of heart disease, CPR, and techniques for managing obstructed airways.

History

**HIST A101 Western Civilization I**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.  
A survey of the developments in Western Civilization from its origins in the ancient Near East to 1650. The major social, political, economic, intellectual and cultural characteristics will be emphasized.

**HIST A102 Western Civilization II**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.  
A survey of the developments in Western Civilization from 1650 to the present. The major social, political, economic, intellectual and cultural characteristics will be emphasized.

**HIST A121 East Asian Civilization I**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.  
Provides a broad understanding of the historical, cultural, and social development of Chinese, Japanese, and Korean civilization from their prehistoric origins through approximately 1600 (the decline of the Ming Dynasty in China, the successful unification of Japan under the Tokugawa, and the end of the Japanese invasions of Korea).

**HIST A122 East Asian Civilization II**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.  
Provides a broad understanding of the historical, cultural, and social development of East Asian civilization from approximately 1600 (the rise of the Qing Dynasty in China, the successful unification of Japan under the Tokugawa, and the revival of the Yi Dynasty in Korea) through the twentieth century.

**HIST A131 History of United States I**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.  
A chronological overview of United States history from ancient America through the Civil War. Examines social, political, and economic forces that have shaped the country during the period. Students will be introduced to primary sources and interpretations in American history.

**HIST A132 History of United States II**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.  
A chronological overview of United States history from Reconstruction to the present. Examines social, political, and economic forces that have shaped the country during the period. Students will be introduced to primary sources and interpretations in American history.

**HIST A237 American Civil War**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Study of North-South differences causing American Civil War, war itself in considerable detail, and legacy of that war for today.

**HIST A257A The Alaska-Yukon Gold Rush**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Nineteenth-century gold rushes in California, Nevada, the Rocky Mountains, Black Hills (Dakota Territory), and British Columbia are examined, culminating in the Alaska-Yukon Gold Rush Era of 1880-1920.

**HIST A261 Russian History**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
A survey of Russian history from early origins to modern Russia. Topics include Kievan Rus; Mongol Era; Rise of Moscow; Romanov Russia and Serfdom; Revolutionary Russia; Soviet Union and Russian Federation.

**HIST A306 The Roman Empire**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HIST A101 and HIST A225.  
The Roman Empire from the assassination of Julius Caesar to the “Fall” of the Empire in AD 476. Its principal focus is upon the political and social history of the Empire.

**HIST A314 Nineteenth Century Europe**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HIST A102.  
Examines the key political, social, economic and cultural developments in 19th century Europe. Special emphasis will be placed on the French and Napoleonic revolution; restoration and reaction; industrialization and urbanization; romanticism, liberalism and socialism; nationalism and national unification; imperialism; fin de siecle culture; and daily life.

**HIST A341 History of Alaska**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HIST A132.  
Registration Restrictions: HIST A132 equivalent accepted with instructor permission.  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.  
An introduction to Alaska and its relationship to America and the world, including Alaska geography, Alaska Native anthropology, and a detailed chronological history of the 49th state. Topics include Russian exploration, occupation, and management; Native-Russian relations; the Alaska Purchase; U.S. military; missionaries; gold rush; territorial era; statehood; Native land claims and corporations; oil development and the disposition and management of Alaska lands.

**HIST A355 Major Themes in US History**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HIST A131 and HIST A132.  
Examines major themes that have shaped and impacted American history and contemporary society. Such themes may include, but are not limited to, democracy, global relations, and multiculturalism. Course emphasizes reading and analysis of primary sources to discern and evaluate the human experience.

**HIST A401 The History of Warfare**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HIST A101 and HIST A102.  
The history of warfare from the classical age to the present. Examines theories of the origins of war; social, economic, and political organization for war; technology and weapons; administration and logistics; asymmetrical conflict; strategic and tactical systems; war and revolution; and the impact of nuclear weapons.

**HIST A418 Tudor and Stuart England**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HIST A101.  
The history of England from the accession of Henry VII to the death of Anne. Major topics are the development of modern instruments of government, the English Reformation, and the ensuing religious struggle, the Civil War and the Glorious Revolution, and the establishment of parliamentary government.

**HIST A431 America: Colonies and Revolution**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HIST A131.  
An American history course that covers the period from the early 1600s to 1801. The two main themes are the interaction between different ethnic and cultural groups, and the creation and development of various political, economic, social, and cultural institutions in the United States.

**HIST A434 Early National Period, 1800-1850**  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HIST A131.  
Examines the political, economic, social, and cultural developments in American history from 1800-1850.
HIST A440  The American West Since 1850  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: HIST A131 and HIST A132.
Study of major themes in Western American history, including economic, social and ideological change, and the historiography of the American West.

HIST A478  Studies in Early American History  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: HIST A131.
Special Note: May be repeated twice for credit with a change of subtitle. An examination of selected fundamental topics in early American history. Areas will be studied as student need and faculty expertise indicate. Subtitle varies.

HIST A479  Studies in Modern American History  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: HIST A131 and HIST A132.
Special Note: May be repeated twice for credit with a change of subtitle. An intensive examination of selected fundamental topics in modern American history. Specific areas will be treated as student need and faculty expertise indicate. Subtitle varies.

HIST A486  Studies in Modern Europe  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: HIST A102.
Special Note: May be repeated twice for credit with a change of subtitle. A study of selected important topics in modern European history including World War I, European Fascism and National Socialism, European Socialism, and others. Specific areas will be treated as student need and faculty expertise indicate. Subtitle varies.

HIST A641  Studies in Alaska History  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Stacked with: HIST A341.
Special Note: Not available for credit to students who have taken HIST A341. Advanced study of various topics in Alaska history, including Russian exploration, occupation and development, social conditions in the Russian period, the United States. Purchase, American development and economic relationships, political development, Native issues, environmental history, and changing perceptions.

Humanities  HUM

HUM A211  Introduction to Humanities I  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: ENGL A111.
Registration Restrictions: 3 credits of Fine Arts GER
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.
Uses humanities-based methods of inquiry and analysis to interpret art works representative of diverse media, world cultures, and historical eras. Approaches different systems of aesthetic representation through investigations of form, meaning, and values. Places the contributions of individual artists in historical and cultural context.

HUM A212  Introduction to Humanities II  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: ENGL A211 or ENGL A212 or ENGL A213 or ENGL A214.
Registration Restrictions: 3 credits of Fine Arts GER
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.
Uses methods of contemporary humanities-based inquiry to explore major intellectual and aesthetic trends in the world's heritage of arts and ideas. Examines ideas and examples of the arts in the historical and cultural context of their development. Considers how the world's heritage of arts and ideas relates to the aesthetic and intellectual products of a specific world culture or historical era.

Human Services  HUMS

HUMS A101  Introduction to Human Services  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Overview of human services. Includes traditional and contemporary helping approaches, plus characteristics, values, and professional roles of human service workers. Covers human service consumers, their problems and functioning, helping systems and strategies, environmental change processes, and legal and ethical issues.

HUMS A106  Introduction to Social Welfare  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: SOC A101.
Crosslisted with: SWK A106.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Social Sciences Req.
Analyzes social inequality and the American social welfare state. Traces historical evolution of government and non-government response to the provision of basic needs, opportunities, and rights for its citizenry, especially vulnerable populations. Investigates historical and persisting dilemmas--ethical, political, cultural, and economic--explicit and implicit, in achieving social justice. Assists in understanding of social welfare problems and solutions.

HUMS A121  Advocating for Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Focuses on developing the skills and knowledge needed to be an effective advocate for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Provides historical perspective, identifies physical, sexual and emotional abuse that defines battering. Explains cycle of violence, power and control issues and why women stay in abusive relationships. Identifies five stages of living without violence (denial, self-blame, help seeking, ambivalence and living violence free lives). Discusses ways of helping victims become survivors.

HUMS A122  Substance Abuse as a Contemporary Problem  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Introduction to current issues in addictions with emphasis on understanding alcohol and other drug use in historical, social, cultural, legal, and public health/policy contexts.

HUMS A123  Public Education and Prevention in Substance Abuse  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Use of community organization knowledge and skills for development of educational and preventive programs in substance abuse.

HUMS A153  Human Relations  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Crosslisted with: PSY A153.
A survey of human relations to include communication, problem solving, interaction, relationship, choice and change skills.

HUMS A223  Introduction to Paraprofessional Counseling I  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Focuses on systematic approach to effective helping and helping skills which fall into the following skill categories: skills for understanding, skills for comfort and crisis intervention, and skills for positive action.

HUMS A224  Conflict and Collaborative Systems  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: HUMS A223 and (HUMS A324 or concurrent enrollment).
Provides a social constructionist framework for understanding interpersonal conflict. Focuses on the human and emotional aspects of conflict and includes the influence of gender and culture. Pragmatic as well as theoretical, this course presents communication and conflict resolution models to help manage and/or resolve conflict.

HUMS A256  Groups and Organizations  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Introduces basic theories, practices and issues of relevance to working in human service agencies and develops skills to work effectively in an organizational setting. As a result of this course, the student should be more effective in observing, and political dynamics of service delivery groups and organizations.
HUMS A295A  Human Services Practicum I  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 1 + 9  
Prerequisites: (ENGL A111 or concurrent enrollment) and HUMS A101 and HUMS A223.  
Registration Restrictions: GER Oral Communication  
Special Fees.  
Students placed in a community Human Services agency will examine agency structure and functioning, professional relationships, and interagency networks to apply their knowledge of entry level helping skills with agency clientele while participating in a weekly class seminar to facilitate the integration of human service knowledge and theory with practical field application.

HUMS A295B  Human Services Practicum II  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 1 + 9  
Prerequisites: [(ENGL A211 or concurrent enrollment) or (ENGL A212 or concurrent enrollment)] and HUMS A295A.  
Special Fees.  
Emphasizes increasing responsibilities for providing direct client services. Students will access problems and plan interventions within the placement agency, while participating in a weekly class seminar structured to facilitate the integration of human service knowledge and theory with practical field application.

HUMS A321  Diversity Issues in Human Services Practice  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HUMS A101 and HUMS A223 and HUMS A295A.  
Using a framework of self-awareness, this course will focus on the range of human diversity and the historical and current responses to it. It will help students incorporate the relevant needs of diverse groups in their professional practice.

HUMS A322  Service Coordination in Human Services Practice  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HUMS A101 and HUMS A223 and HUMS A295A.  
Introduction to the fundamentals of service coordination across disciplines. Using an empowerment and strengths based framework, course focuses on the functions of service delivery, including assessment, planning, and implementation, utilizing the concepts of collaboration, ethics, and diversity.

HUMS A324  Introduction to Paraprofessional Counseling II  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HUMS A223.  
Focusses on 11 major paraprofessional counseling skill clusters. Course emphasis will be skill performance in a direct service context.

HUMS A333  Alternative Dispute Resolution  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: [HUMS A223 or PSY A223] and [HUMS A324 or PSY A324].  
A conceptual framework in Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) with particular emphasis on history, communication skills, and ethics. Uses simulation exercises including negotiation strategy and tactics; mediation process and techniques; and development of arbitration case theory presentation. A comparison of the adversarial and collaborative dispute resolution systems as a theoretical backdrop.

HUMS A334  Family Mediation  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HUMS A223 and HUMS A224 and HUMS A324 and HUMS A333.  
Trains students in advanced mediation skills for resolving family conflict. Different models of mediation are presented, evaluated, and practiced. Current issues in Alaska family mediation are covered.

HUMS A350  Men and Masculinity  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: SOC A101 or PSY A111.  
Examines perspectives on masculinity and male sex role from historical, cultural, and social-psychological perspectives with focus on males as clients in the human services setting. Examines the dynamics of male socialization and its influence on men in areas such as family and work, sexuality, and physical and mental health. Attention given to implications for prevention and human service delivery.

HUMS A390  Selected Topics in Human Service Practice  5-3 CR  
Contact Hours: 5-3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HUMS A101.  
Provides the most current education in the area of Human Service practice. Specific topics will vary.

HUMS A397  Independent Study  1-4 CR  
Contact Hours: 0 + 0  
Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.

HUMS A412  Ethical Issues in Human Services Practice  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HUMS A101 and HUMS A223.  
Overview of ethics in human service practice. Clients’ rights and confidentiality, worker responsibility for ethical behavior in the areas of confidentiality, multicultural counseling, professional responsibility, and practitioner competency.

HUMS A414  Rural Treatment Strategies for Human Service Professionals  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HUMS A101.  
Focuses upon human service work in rural settings. Development of relevant knowledge and skills in the following areas: cultural issues, the addiction process and their impact on the individual, the family, and the community. Prevention and treatment of substance abuse strategies are presented focusing upon the human service worker as a change agent.

HUMS A417  Substance Abuse Counseling for Human Service Professionals  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HUMS A122 and HUMS A123 and HUMS A223.  
Develops advanced counseling theory and skills specifically required by human service professionals in substance abuse treatment. Includes client assessment, diagnosis, and treatment planning. Substance abuse treatment strategies will be compared and contrasted.

HUMS A424  Advanced Counseling for Human Service Professionals  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HUMS A223 and HUMS A324.  
Comparative counseling systems and theories appropriate in the human service context are presented. Cognitive, affective, behavioral systems will be presented as approaches in a variety of human service settings including education, family and community, rehabilitation, and mental health.

HUMS A434  Group Facilitation for Human Service Professionals  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HUMS A223 and HUMS A324.  
Advanced facilitation skills appropriate for group work to include goal setting, reciprocation, task identification, and personal growth. Presents a theoretical case in both group dynamics and group leadership. Contemporary ethical and managerial issues are included.

HUMS A461  Crisis Intervention  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: HUMS A101 and HUMS A223 and HUMS A324.  
A systematic and social approach to causes and treatment of human crises. Covers characteristics of crises, intervention strategies, and specific techniques for resolving various crisis situations. Students are expected to research, analyze, and compare community crisis support services.

HUMS A495A  Human Services Practicum III  3 CR  
Contact Hours: 1 + 9  
Prerequisites: HUMS A295A with minimum grade of C and HUMS A295B with minimum grade of C.  
Registration Restrictions: Admission to Human Services Bachelor Degree Program.  
Special Fees.  
Placement in an agency will provide students with advancing levels of responsibility in direct client services and/or specialized activities/projects while increasing their professional development. Weekly concurrent classroom seminars required.
**Interior Design**

**ID A141**  
**Interior Design**  3 CR

Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Special Fees.
Beginning interior design survey course. Design theory as related to planning and decorating homes. Particular emphasis on developing individual styles, color schemes, floor, wall and window coverings, basic lighting, and interior furnishings.

**International Studies**

**INTL A101**  
**Local Places/Global Regions: An Introduction to Geography**  3 CR

Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Crosslisted with: GEOG A101.
Introduction to cultural, political, and environmental diversity in an international context. Focus on key global issues, current events, and geographic approaches to understanding world problems.

**Journalism & Public Communication**

**JPC A101**  
**Media and Society**  3 CR

Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Social Sciences Req.
Describes the evolution of newspapers, magazines, photography, film, radio, television, Internet, and development of telecommunications and information technologies in the last 100 years. Emphasis on social, cultural, political, and economic affects of media.

**Justice**

**JUST A110**  
**Introduction to Justice**  3 CR

Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Social Sciences Req.
Special Note: This course is a prerequisite to most Justice courses.
Survey of philosophies, functions and methods of social control with emphasis on role of law and those involved in its administration--police, courts, and correction organizations. Includes study of history, organization, processes, and problems related to law and justice agencies in a heterogeneous, democratic society.

**JUST A203**  
**Juvenile Delinquency**  3 CR

Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: SOC A101.
Crosslisted with: SOC A203.
A conceptual approach to deviant and delinquent behavior, contributing social problems, adolescence as a subculture with emphasis on the juvenile code and treatment procedure.

**JUST A221**  
**Justice Organization and Management**  3 CR

Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: JUST A110.
Survey of organization and management of police, court, correctional and legal operations, agency roles, goals, structural arrangements and administrative practices; applicability of theory and research; techniques and instruments of organization and management; and principles of change.

**JUST A241**  
**Business Law I**  3 CR

Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Crosslisted with: BA A241.
Introduces legal aspects of business activities. Emphasizes basic principles, institutions, and administration of law in contracts, employment, torts, property, agency, real estate, and insurance.

**JUST A242**  
**Business Law II**  3 CR

Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: JUST A241 or BA A241.
Crosslisted with: BA A242.
Emphasizes basic principles, institutions, and administration of law in suretyships, partnerships, corporations, trusts, bankruptcy, negotiable instruments and sale of goods.

**JUST A251**  
**Crime and Delinquency**  3 CR

Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: JUST A110 or SOC A101.
Crosslisted with: SOC A251.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Social Sciences Req.
Theoretical perspectives on the causes, consequences, and control of crime and delinquency. Survey of the major theoretical perspectives in the study of crime and delinquency with special attention to the application of empirical research methods to important theoretical issues.

**JUST A255**  
**Criminal Investigation**  3 CR

Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: JUST A110.
Fundamentals of investigation. Crime scene search and recording, collection and preservation of physical evidence, and scientific aids. Modus operandi, sources of information, interviews and interrogations, follow-up, and case preparation.

**JUST A320**  
**Crime Prevention**  3 CR

Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: JUST A110. and
Examination of crime prevention strategies and concepts not usually found in law enforcement efforts. The legal, moral and ethical considerations and problems of human and environmental manipulation are explored in an interdisciplinary context. Emphasizes new and innovative approaches to preventing criminal behavior.

**JUST A330**  
**Justice and Society**  3 CR

Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: JUST A110.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Social Sciences Req.
The evolutionary influence of ideology, technology and social interests on the justice system. The dynamic impact of long-term emerging concepts such as ‘equality’ and ‘privacy’ will be viewed against the background of requirements of political and economic organization.

**JUST A354**  
**Criminal Procedure**  3 CR

Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: JUST A110 or PARL A101.
Crosslisted with: PARL A354.
Emphasis upon legal limitations of police and right of people to be secure from government under protection of federal and Alaska constitutions. Concentration on laws of arrest, search and seizure, wiretapping, electronic surveillance, and exclusionary rule. Interrogations and confessions, lineups and other pretrial identification procedures, right to counsel, trial by jury, entrapment, and double jeopardy. Study of cases decided by U.S. and Alaska Supreme Courts, along with applicable Alaska Statutes and Alaska Rules of Criminal Procedure.
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Liberal Studies Integrated Core LSIC

LSIC A231 Truth, Beauty, and Goodness 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: (ENGL A111 or concurrent enrollment).
Crosslisted with: PHIL A231.
Integrated approach to the study of critical and normative thinking, including: standards of truth in logic, mathematics, and science; standards of ethical goodness, and standards for the critical appraisal of art and the beautiful.

Liberal Studies Integrated Sciences LSIS

LSIS A101 Discoveries in Science 1 CR
Contact Hours: 1 + 0
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sciences Req.
Lecture series covering famous scientists and their discoveries. Historical and societal factors that laid the framework for each discovery and how these discoveries were accepted in their time. How the discoveries affect modern science and society. Scientists from different disciplines will present lectures and lead discussions.

LSIS A102 Origins: Earth-Solar System-Life 5 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 6
Prerequisites: (LSIS A101 or concurrent enrollment) and MATH A105.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Science w/ Lab.
Special Fees.
Origins of earth including its formation, its place in the universe, and the life on this planet. Processes that shape the earth, reasons that earth contains life, and the varieties of past and present forms of life.

LSIS A201 Life on Earth 5 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 6
Prerequisites: LSIS A102 and (MATH A107 or concurrent enrollment).
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Science w/ Lab.
Special Fees.
Examines the biodiversity of life on earth, in the context of chemistry, cell biology, genetics, physiology, ecology, and evolution. Laboratory sessions are designed to increase the student's understanding of the process of science, hypothesis testing, experimental design, classification, and content knowledge. A writing and speaking intensive course.

LSIS A202 Concepts and Processes: Natural Sciences 5 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 6
Prerequisites: LSIS A201 and MATH A107.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Science w/ Lab.
Special Fees.
Fundamental concepts in physics and chemistry. Emphasizes logical connections between quantum mechanical view of matter and major themes of modern chemistry and biochemistry. A writing and speaking intensive course.

Liberal Studies Social Sciences LSSS

LSSS A111 Cultural Foundations of Human Behavior 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Course Attributes: UAA GER Social Sciences Req.
Addresses culture as a concept and phenomenon, including its origins, variety, utility, subtlety and complexity, issues of identity, and cultural aspects of human lives from various social science perspectives.

Library Science LS

LS A101 Library Resources and Information Retrieval 1 CR
Contact Hours: 1 + 0
An introduction to academic library research with an emphasis on electronic resources.

Mathematics MATH

MATH A054 Prealgebra 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Special Note: MATH A050A, A050B, A050C combined are equivalent to MATH A054.
Special Fees.
Basic concepts of prealgebra mathematics. Includes arithmetic operations and applications, whole numbers, integers, fractions, decimals, ratio and proportion, percent, geometry and measures, exponents, algebraic expressions, polynomials, solution of simple equations, and introduction to graphing and statistics.

MATH A055 Elementary Algebra 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: MATH A054 with minimum grade of C.
Registration Restrictions: If prerequisite is not satisfied, appropriate SAT score or approved UAA Placement Test required. Special Fees.
Beginning algebra course. Includes operations with signed numbers and polynomials, factoring, exponents, radicals, algebraic fractions, solution of linear equations, systems of equations, linear inequalities, and quadratic equations. Basic graphing.

MATH A101 Technical Mathematics 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: MATH A055.
Special Note: This course will not satisfy the Mathematics requirement for the Associate of Arts Degree.
Special Fees.
Provides mathematical training for students enrolled in technical programs. Includes algebraic operations, factoring, rational expressions, exponents, quadratic equations, logarithms, systems of equations, geometry, right-triangle trigonometry, and measurement and tolerances. Emphasis on problem-solving and applications.

MATH A105 Intermediate Algebra 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: MATH A055 with minimum grade of C or MATH A060 with minimum grade of C.
Registration Restrictions: If prerequisite is not satisfied, appropriate SAT or ACT scores or approved UAA Placement Test required. Special Fees.
Special Note: Presumes a solid foundation in elementary algebra. Covers sets, properties of real numbers, exponents and radicals, solution of first and second-degree equations and inequalities. Also covers word problems, fundamental operations with polynomials, factoring, special products, rational expressions, functions, conic sections, Cartesian graphing of first and second-degree equations and inequalities, systems of equations, and introduction to logarithmic and exponential functions.
### MATH A107 College Algebra 4 CR
- **Contact Hours:** 4 + 0
- **Prerequisites:** MATH A105 with minimum grade of C.
- **Registration Restrictions:** If prerequisite is not satisfied, appropriate SAT or ACT scores or approved UAA Placement Test required.
- **Course Attributes:** UAA GER Quantitative Skill Req.
- **Special Fees.**
- **Special Note:** A student may apply no more than 7 credits from any combination of MATH A107, A108, and A109 toward the graduation requirements for any baccalaureate degree.
- Covers equations and inequalities, function theory, solution of equations greater than second degree, determinants and matrices, systems of equations and inequalities, exponential and logarithmic function, graphs and equations of conic sections, including applications of all these topics; binomial theorem; sequences and series; mathematical induction and combinatoric notation.

### MATH A108 Trigonometry 3 CR
- **Contact Hours:** 3 + 0
- **Prerequisites:** MATH A107 with minimum grade of C.
- **Registration Restrictions:** If prerequisite is not satisfied, appropriate SAT or ACT scores or approved UAA Placement Test required.
- **Course Attributes:** UAA GER Quantitative Skill Req.
- **Special Fees.**
- **Special Note:** A student may apply no more than 7 credits from any combination of MATH A107, A108 and A109 toward the graduation requirements for any baccalaureate degree.
- Covers angular measure and trigonometric functions, fundamental trigonometric identities, composite angle identities, and graphs of trigonometric functions. Also includes complex numbers, DeMoivre's theorem, solution of right and oblique triangles, solution of trigonometric equations, inverse trigonometric functions and vectors. Provides calculation practice helpful for physics, engineering and survey technology courses.

### MATH A172 Applied Finite Mathematics 3 CR
- **Contact Hours:** 3 + 0
- **Prerequisites:** MATH A105 with minimum grade of C.
- **Registration Restrictions:** If prerequisite is not satisfied, appropriate SAT or ACT scores or approved UAA Placement Test required.
- **Course Attributes:** UAA GER Quantitative Skill Req.
- **Special Fees.**
- Covers linear and quadratic equations and inequalities, algebra of matrices, introductory linear programming, exponential and logarithmic functions. Applications emphasizing the relationships of these mathematical concepts to quantitative decision making in the managerial and social sciences.

### MATH A200 Calculus I 4 CR
- **Contact Hours:** 4 + 0
- **Prerequisites:** MATH A107 with minimum grade of C and MATH A108 with minimum grade of C or [MATH A109 with minimum grade of C].
- **Registration Restrictions:** If prerequisite is not satisfied, appropriate SAT, ACT, or AP scores or approved UAA Placement Test required.
- **Course Attributes:** UAA GER Quantitative Skill Req.
- A first course in calculus covering limits, including those with indeterminate form; and derivatives of algebraic and transcendental functions. Applications of derivatives including curve sketching, rates of change, and Newton's Method. Definite and indefinite integrals, including integration by substitution.

### MATH A201 Calculus II 4 CR
- **Contact Hours:** 4 + 0
- **Prerequisites:** MATH A200 with minimum grade of C.
- **Course Attributes:** UAA GER Quantitative Skill Req.
- Covers integration techniques and applications; sequences and series, including convergence tests; curves in the plane and polar coordinates.

### MATH A202 Calculus III 4 CR
- **Contact Hours:** 4 + 0
- **Prerequisites:** MATH A201 with minimum grade of C.

### MATH A205 Communicating Mathematical Ideas 3 CR
- **Contact Hours:** 3 + 0
- **Prerequisites:** EDSE A212 with minimum grade of C or PSY A245 with minimum grade of C.
- **Registration Restrictions:** Department Approval. Minimum grade of C in GER Quantitative Skills course.
- **Special Note:** MATH A205 with a minimum grade of C is required to meet State of Alaska Teacher Certification standards. MATH A205 does not satisfy the General Education Quantitative Skills requirement.
- Elementary set theory, numeration systems, basic number theory and divisibility, problem-solving strategies, topics from geometry, including the properties of two- and three-dimensional geometric objects. Field experience in the classroom may be required.

### MATH A231 Introduction to Discrete Mathematics 3 CR
- **Contact Hours:** 3 + 0
- **Prerequisites:** MATH A107.
- **Registration Restrictions:** If prerequisite is not satisfied, appropriate SAT, ACT, or AP scores or approved UAA placement test required.
- Logic in its connections with mathematical proof, set theory, Boolean algebra, and combinatorial circuits; techniques of counting; elements of graph theory. Additional topics related to the mathematics of computing may include graph and tree traversal, finite automata, and the basics of complexity and formal languages.

### MATH A272 Applied Calculus 3 CR
- **Contact Hours:** 3 + 0
- **Prerequisites:** MATH A107 with minimum grade of C or MATH A172 with minimum grade of C or MATH A270 with minimum grade of C.
- **Course Attributes:** UAA GER Quantitative Skill Req.
- Covers functions and graphs, differentiation, exponential and logarithmic functions, antidifferentiation and integration, functions of several variables. Applications of these mathematical concepts.

### Medical Assisting  MA

#### MA A101 Medical Terminology I 3 CR
- **Contact Hours:** 3 + 0
- Medical terminology, including analysis of its roots and origins. Anatomical, diagnostic, operative, and laboratory terminology of human body systems and selected medical specialties. Emphasis on spelling and pronunciation.

#### MA A120 Medical Office Procedures 4 CR
- **Contact Hours:** 3 + 2
- **Special Note:** MA A120A and MA A120B satisfy the requirement for MA A120.
- Introduces business aspects of medical offices and administrative duties of medical assistants. Includes telephone and reception procedures, appointment scheduling, medical law and ethics, essentials of medical records, professionalism, and financial record keeping for the medical office.

### Music  MUS

#### MUS A111 Fundamentals of Music 3 CR
- **Contact Hours:** 3 + 0
- Rudimentary work in the elements of music and an introduction to notation, rhythm, scales, keys, intervals, and musical terminology. Designed for students with little or no background in music reading, or as a refresher course for those who have studied music.

#### MUS A112 Practical Theory 3 CR
- **Contact Hours:** 3 + 0
- **Prerequisites:** MUS A111.
- Registration Restrictions: Ability to read music in treble and bass clef in all keys. Elementary study of harmony and melody; formation of scales, modes, intervals, chords, inversions, and simple harmonic progressions. Writing and harmonizing of melodic lines.
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### Paramedical Technology

**PMED A241** Paramedicine I  
Contact Hours: 7 + 2  
Prerequisites: BIOL A111 with minimum grade of C and BIOL A111L and BIOL A112 with minimum grade of C and BIOL A112L  
Registration Restrictions: Current Alaska EMT-1 or National Registry EMT-Basic; Acceptance into the PMED Program.  
Corequisite: PMED A242.  
Special Fees.  
Applies the knowledge and skills of airway management and ventilation while integrating pathophysiological principles and assessment findings to formulate impressions and implement treatment plans needed while caring for patients who have suffered an acute injury or illness.  

**PMED A242** Clinical Rotation I  
Contact Hours: 0 + 8  
Prerequisites: BIOL A111 with minimum grade of C and BIOL A111L and BIOL A112 with minimum grade of C and BIOL A112L  
Registration Restrictions: Current Alaska EMT-1 or National Registry EMT-Basic; Acceptance into the PMED Program.  
Corequisite: PMED A241.  
Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.  
Special Fees.  
Paramedic skills are performed in acute care settings.  

**PMED A251** Paramedicine II  
Contact Hours: 7 + 2  
Prerequisites: PMED A241 and PMED A242.  
Corequisite: PMED A252.  
Special Fees.  
Integrates pathophysiological principles and assessment findings to formulate impressions and implement treatment plans needed when caring for trauma patients, and patients with special needs.  

**PMED A252** Clinical Rotation II  
Contact Hours: 0 + 8  
Prerequisites: PMED A241 and PMED A242.  
Corequisite: PMED A251.  
Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.  
Special Fees.  
Paramedic skills are performed in hospital settings, specifically in emergency departments, operating rooms, intensive care/critical care units, labor and delivery units, pediatric units, and psychiatric wards.  

### Philosophy

**PHIL A101** Introduction to Logic  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.  
Develops formal and informal reasoning skills, introduces deductive logic via statement logic, analyzes arguments and introduces scientific and inductive reasoning, reviews common fallacies and methods for evaluating arguments.  

**PHIL A201** Introduction to Philosophy  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.  
Introduces works of major influential thinkers, both ancient and modern, focusing on the Western philosophical tradition. Emphasizes central problems of knowledge, reality, and good and evil.  

**PHIL A211** History of Philosophy I  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.  
Survey of primarily Western philosophy from the pre-Socratic era through the late Middle Ages. Traces development of scientific, metaphysical, epistemological and ethical thought with emphasis on pivotal historical figures and debates.  

**PHIL A212** History of Philosophy II  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.  
Survey of philosophy from the Scientific Revolution through German Idealism (Modern Period). Traces the development of scientific, metaphysical, epistemological and ethical thought with emphasis on historical texts.  

**PHIL A231** Truth, Beauty, and Goodness  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: (ENGL A111 or concurrent enrollment). Crosslisted with: LSIC A231.  
Integrated approach to the study of critical and normative thinking, including: standards of truth in logic, mathematics, and science; standards of ethical goodness, and standards for the critical appraisal of art and the beautiful.
PHIL A314  Western Religions  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: ENGL A211 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A212 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A213 with minimum grade of C or ENGL A214 with minimum grade of C.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.
Study of three Western monotheisms—Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. Covers basic tenets, practices and histories of the monotheisms. Examines the intersections of religion with contemporary concerns such as gender, ethnicity, and violence.

PHIL A401  Aesthetics  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
An investigation into the nature of art and the creative process from both an historical and theoretical perspective, utilizing especially the philosophy of the ancient Greeks, the Romantic thinkers and contemporary semiotics.

Physical Education Professional  PEP

PEP A112  First Aid and CPR for Professionals  1 CR
Contact Hours: .5 + 1
Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.
Special Fees.
Provides CPR (infant, child, and adult) and first aid training. Successful completion of performance skills and written test will lead to national certification in first aid and CPR.

PEP A262  Foundations of Adventure and Experiential Leadership  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Introduces the field and profession of adventure and experiential leadership. Examines philosophical, historical, theoretical, legal, and ethical foundations of the field. Explores career opportunities and options.

Physical Education & Recreation  PER

PER A049  Selected Topics in Health, Physical Education and Recreation  0 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 0
Grade Mode: Non-Graded.
Special Fees.
Presents current topics and issues in health, physical education, and recreation.

Physics  PHYS

PHYS A124  Basic Physics II  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: PHYS A123 with minimum grade of C.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sciences Req.
Non-calculus introduction to electricity and magnetism, waves, optics, light, some modern and nuclear physics. Limited emphasis on historical development of physics.

PHYS A124L  Basic Physics II Laboratory  1 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 3
Prerequisites: PHYS A123 with minimum grade of C and PHYS A123L with minimum grade of C and (PHYS A124 or concurrent enrollment).
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sci Lab Only.
Special Fees.
Introductory physics laboratory, with experiments in electricity and magnetism, waves, and optics.

PHYS A121  General Physics I  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: MATH A200 with minimum grade of C and (MATH A201 or concurrent enrollment) and PHYS A130 with minimum grade of C.
Registration Restrictions: If PHYS A130 prerequisite is not satisfied, then a passing score on department exam is required.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sciences Req.
Calculus-based course covering classical mechanics (statics and dynamics of translational and rotational motion), fluids, elasticity, and introduction to thermodynamics.

PHYS A211L  General Physics I Laboratory  1 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 3
Prerequisites: (PHYS A211 with minimum grade of C or concurrent enrollment).
Registration Restrictions: If PHYS A211 is taken from another institution, it must be completed prior to taking PHYS A211L.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Natural Sci Lab Only.
Special Fees.
Calculus-based introductory physics laboratory, with experiments in computerized data collection and analysis, mechanics, waves, elasticity, and wave motion.

POLITICAL SCIENCE  PS

PS A101  Introduction to American Government  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Course Attributes: UAA GER Social Sciences Requirement.
An introduction to the historical and constitutional foundations of American government; the political activities of parties, groups, and the media; public decisionmaking by the executive, Congress, and the courts; and current economic, environmental, social, and foreign issues and policies.

Preparatory English  PRPE

Students registering in ENGL A109 and ENGL A111 and Preparatory English classes must have appropriate score on English Placement Test from COMPASS, SAT Verbal or ACT English, or a grade of C or better in prerequisite course. Check with the Advising & Assessment Center (FSM 102) for clarification. Mat-Su College administers and places students with the COMPASS placement test.

Secondary School Students: Individual departments and disciplines may require additional testing or assessment.

PRPE A054  Learning Strategies  1-3 CR
Contact Hours: 1-3 + 0
Registration Restrictions: Appropriate score on reading placement test.
Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.
Special Fees.
Presents basic learning strategies. Develops time management, learning styles, textbook study, note taking, and test taking skills.
COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

PRPE A076  Reading Strategies  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: COMPASS Reading Skills with score of 62 or Accuplacer-Reading Comp with score of 055.
Registration Restrictions: Appropriate score on reading placement test. Special Fees.
Provides basic strategies for reading comprehension, vocabulary development, and textbook skills necessary for success in freshman college classes.

PRPE A080  Basic Writing  2-4 CR
Contact Hours: 2-4 + 0
Prerequisites: [COMPASS E-Write (1-12 scale) with score of 04 and COMPASS Reading Skills with score of 50] or [Accuplacer-Reading Comp with score of 040 and Accuplacer-Sentence Skills with score of 040].
Registration Restrictions: Appropriate score on English placement test. Special Fees.
Special Note: Concurrent enrollment in PRPE A070 is strongly recommended. Improves basic writing skills to develop sentences and paragraphs that conform to Standard American English.

PRPE A082  Refresher Writing Lab  1-3 CR
Contact Hours: 5-1.5 + 1-3
Prerequisites: ASSET Writing Skills with score of 30.
Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.
Special Fees.
Special Note: May be repeated for a maximum of 6 credits.
Provides individualized instruction in basic writing skills for school, work, personal, or creative development.

PRPE A084  Sentence Skills  1-3 CR
Contact Hours: 1-3 + 0
Registration Restrictions: Appropriate score on English placement test. Special Fees.
Supports students in composition courses. Provides tools for improving sentences that conform to Standard American English. Focuses on common sentence errors for accuracy in drafting and editing.

PRPE A086  Writing Strategies  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: [COMPASS E-Write (1-12 scale) with score of 06 and COMPASS Reading Skills with score of 50] or [Accuplacer-Reading Comp with score of 055 and Accuplacer-Sentence Skills with score of 060].
Registration Restrictions: Appropriate score on English placement test. Special Fees.
Introduces composition of paragraphs and short essays that conform to Standard American English for college writing. Emphasizes basic reading skills to enhance students' writing. Reviews the basics of grammar, effective sentences, and sentence combining.

PRPE A105  Introduction to College Study Skills  1-3 CR
Contact Hours: 1-3 + 0
Prerequisites: PRPE A076 with minimum grade of C or COMPASS Reading Skills with score of 75.
Registration Restrictions: If prerequisite is not satisfied, then appropriate score on reading placement test is required. Special Fees.
Introduces study skills necessary for success in college-level courses. Presents strategies for information processing, lecture and textbook note-taking, and test-taking in academic settings.

PRPE A107  Introduction to College Reading  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: PRPE A076 with minimum grade of C or COMPASS Reading Skills with score of 75 or Accuplacer-Reading Comp with score of 070.
Registration Restrictions: If prerequisite is not satisfied, then appropriate score on reading placement test is required. Special Fees.
Improves literal and critical reading skills, academic vocabulary, and textbook comprehension and retention. Explores the connection between reading and writing needed for success in college classes.

PRPE A108  Introduction to College Writing  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: [PRPE A076 with minimum grade of C and PRPE A086 with minimum grade of C] or [COMPASS E-Write (1-12 scale) with score of 08 and COMPASS Reading Skills with score of 75] or [Accuplacer-Reading Comp with score of 070 and Accuplacer-Sentence Skills with score of 080].
Registration Restrictions: If prerequisite is not satisfied, then appropriate scores on reading and writing placement tests required. Special Fees.
Preparation for ENGL A111 and alternative to ENGL A109. Introduces composition of multi-paragraph essays that conform to Standard American English for college writing. Includes critical reading skills to enhance students' writing. Continues intensive practice in punctuation, sentence combining, revising, and editing.

Psychology  PSY

PSY A111  General Psychology  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Course Attributes: UAA GER Social Sciences Req.
Introduces methods, theories, and research in the psychological sciences. Core topics include psychological research methods, biopsychology, learning, cognition, lifespan development, personality, psychological disorders, and social psychology.

PSY A112  Psychology Short Courses  1 CR
Contact Hours: 1 + 0
Special Note: May be repeated for a maximum of 3 credits.
Presents topics in general psychology. Specific topics to be announced.

PSY A143  Death and Dying  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
An examination of the event of death and the process of dying in contemporary society. Psychological aspects of loss, grieving, and acceptance of one's own mortality are presented along with an exploration of helping services available in the local community. Social issues involving death are discussed.

PSY A150  Lifespan Development  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Course Attributes: UAA GER Social Sciences Req.
Reviews physical, cognitive, and socioemotional aspects of human growth, maturation, and development across the lifespan. Special attention is given to the effects of broader sociocultural influences on development. Classical and contemporary theories relating to development across the lifespan are considered.

PSY A153  Human Relations  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Crosslisted with: HUMS A153.
A survey of human relations to include communication, problem solving, interaction, relationship, choice and change skills.

PSY A160  Human Sexuality  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Introduces topics of human sexual functioning including physiology, psychology, sociology, philosophy, and morality of human sexual practices and love.

PSY A230  Psychology of Adjustment  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Registration Restrictions: One social science course.
Study of sources and problems of stress. Examines self-esteem and interpersonal relationships from perspective of personal coping skills. Emphasizes taking control of one's life.

PSY A245  Child Development  3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Registration Restrictions: One social science course.
Study of physical, emotional, cognitive, and social aspects of a child's development from prenatal period to beginning of adolescence. Includes theoretical view of development and effects of genetics, environment, and socialization.
### COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

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<td>Laboratory experience that extends the understanding of cognitive, affective, social, and physical development of children gained from PSY A245, Child Development. Includes field observations of and interactions with children in settings such as daycare centers, schools, and community-based service organizations.</td>
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<td>PSY A260</td>
<td>Statistics for Psychology</td>
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<td>Presents basic descriptive and inferential statistical techniques used in psychology. Covers scales of measurement, central tendency, variability, normal distributions, standard scores, correlation, regression, hypothesis testing, parametric and nonparametric tests for independent and dependent groups, one- and two-way analysis of variance.</td>
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<td>PSY A261</td>
<td>Research Methods in Psychology Laboratory</td>
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<td>PSY A345</td>
<td>Abnormal Psychology</td>
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<td>Introduces a scientific approach to studying behavior; overviews experimental and non-experimental methodologies, ethical principles and practices, data collection and analysis, and APA style writing. The laboratory component provides applied experience with data collection, analysis, and interpretation.</td>
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<td>PSY A368</td>
<td>Personality</td>
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<td>Survey of contemporary and modern theories of personality, emphasizing relevant research findings. Develops student competencies in the understanding and prediction of human behavior, thought, and feeling.</td>
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<td>PSY A375</td>
<td>Social Psychology</td>
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<td>Focuses on individuals in social situations and the scientific study of how individuals think about, influence, and relate to one another. Includes theory and research on subjective beliefs about the self and the social world; attitudes and behaviors; genes and culture; conformity; persuasion; group dynamics; prejudice; aggression; attraction; and altruism.</td>
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<td>PSY A445</td>
<td>Strategies of Behavior Change</td>
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<td>Focuses on the various principles, concepts, and clinical applications of applied behavior analysis with the human population. Includes methodology to complete a functional behavioral assessment of a target behavior.</td>
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<td>PSY A453</td>
<td>Application of Statistics to the Social Sciences</td>
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<td>Demonstrates application of statistics to various types of studies in the social sciences. Students analyze social science journal articles that utilize statistics.</td>
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### Refrigeration & Heating

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<td>Explores schematic wiring diagrams and electrical circuits, alternating current, electric motors, single-phase motors, motor protection, and three-phase motors. Familiarization exercises dealing with air conditioning circuits and the ability to troubleshoot malfunctioning equipment will be covered.</td>
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<td>Introduces skills and methods for reading and analyzing building plans and blueprints. Correlates architectural, structural and electrical plans with those that are required for mechanical and heating, ventilation, and air conditioning work. Includes Section 15 building specification topics and requirements related to the development of As-Built drawings.</td>
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<td>Emphasis on systematically analyzing and troubleshooting HVAC/R systems to include mechanical, electrical, piping, and control systems. Heavy emphasis on lab activities and training devices. Actual equipment with component faults is used to strengthen and test troubleshooting skills.</td>
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<td>Provides an understanding of commercial refrigeration systems including hot gas defrosting, lubrication, contaminants, pipe sizing, etc. Introduces ammonia refrigeration including safety start-up and diagnosis of an operational ammonia liquid overfeed system.</td>
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<td>Introduces concepts and components of basic residential and commercial heating and cooling control applications. Associated lab exercises are designed to provide an understanding of the operation, troubleshooting, and repair of basic system components. Explores primary burner controls for forced air and hydraulic control systems.</td>
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<td>Provides a survey of heating, ventilation, and air conditioning control systems and control theory. Topics will include pneumatic, electronic, and direct digital control systems. Lab exercises will be performed on training equipment for each of these system types.</td>
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<td>Introduces the fundamentals of layout, cutting, forming, and fabricating of sheet metal and air conditioning. Blends basic principles with contemporary tools and Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors National Association (SMACNA) Duct Construction Standards.</td>
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<td>Special Note: May be repeated up to 6 credits with change of subtitle. Topics in heating, ventilating, air conditioning, and refrigeration (HVAC/R); such as theory, problem solving, system operation, economic analysis, specialized applications, performance optimization, or specialized study in an area of the trade.</td>
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Russian

**RUSS A101** Elementary Russian I 4 CR
Contact Hours: 4 + 0
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.
Introductory course for students with no previous knowledge of the Russian language. Develops listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Russian for effective communication at the elementary level. Students gain understanding of basic cross-cultural perspectives. Course conducted in Russian.

**RUSS A102** Elementary Russian II 4 CR
Contact Hours: 4 + 0
Prerequisites: RUSS A101.
Continuation of introductory course. Further develops elementary listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Russian for effective communication. Enhances appreciation of cross-cultural perspectives. Course conducted in Russian.

**RUSS A201** Intermediate Russian I 4 CR
Contact Hours: 4 + 0
Prerequisites: RUSS A102.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.
Intermediate course for students with basic knowledge of Russian. Enhances listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills for effective communication at the intermediate level. Students critically examine diverse cultural perspectives. Course conducted in Russian.

**RUSS A202** Intermediate Russian II 4 CR
Contact Hours: 4 + 0
Prerequisites: RUSS A201.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Humanities Requirement.
Continuation of first semester in intermediate Russian. Further develops listening, speaking, reading, and writing proficiency for effective communication and in preparation for advanced study of Russian. Students interpret diverse cultural perspectives. Course conducted in Russian.

**RUSS A205** Conversational Skills II 1 CR
Contact Hours: 0 + 2
Registration Restrictions: Proficiency as after two semesters of college-level or two years of high school study in Russian.
Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.
Special Note: May be repeated once for credit.
A maintenance and skills enhancement course for intermediate students of Russian, designed primarily to help them to retain and solidify what they have learned in Elementary Russian. With the focus on oral communication, the course emphasizes speaking, listening comprehension, and vocabulary building.

Social Work

**SWK A106** Introduction to Social Welfare 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: SOC A101.
Crosslisted with: HUMS A106.
Course Attributes: UAA GER Social Sciences Req.
Analyzes social inequality and the American social welfare state. Traces historical evolution of government and non-government response to the provision of basic needs, opportunities, and rights for its citizenry, especially vulnerable populations. Investigates historical and persisting dilemmas—ethical, political, cultural, and economic—explicit and implicit, in achieving social justice. Assists in understanding of social welfare problems and solutions.

**SWK A121** Advocating for Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Crosslisted with: HUMS A121.
Offered only at Matanuska-Susitna College.
Focuses on developing the skills and knowledge needed to be an effective advocate for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Provides historical perspective, identifies physical, sexual and emotional abuse that defines battering. Explains cycle of violence, power and control issues and why women stay in abusive relationships. Identifies five stages of living without violence (denial, self-blame, help seeking, ambivalence and living violence free lives). Discusses ways of helping victims become survivors.

**SWK A122** Introduction to Hospice: Volunteer Training 2 CR
Contact Hours: 2 + 0
Registration Restrictions: Hospital homecare program staff or volunteer.
Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass.
Offered only at Matanuska-Susitna College.
Includes the philosophy of hospice; physical, psycho-social and spiritual needs of the terminally ill and appropriate interventions; care of the family; therapeutic communications; death and dying; and bereavement follow-up.

**SWK A342** Human Behavior in the Social Environment 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: BIOL A115 and BIOL A111 or BIOL A112 or BIOL A115 or BIOL A116 or LSIS A102 or LSIS A201.
Identification and analysis of various theoretical frameworks for understanding human behavior with emphasis on interactions between the individual and the environment. A social systems model serves as the organizing framework for addressing the behavior and development of individuals, groups, families, organizations, and communities with emphasis on the reciprocal influences between individuals, societal institutions, and diverse economic, political, and psychological variables which influence behavior, growth, development, and change.

**SWK A409** Introduction to Child Welfare 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Survey of public and private child welfare services from a historical perspective and examination of current child welfare services available to children and their families. National standards for services are reviewed along with policy development, legislation, funding and research related to programs, and service delivery. Services such as in-home support, permanency planning, child protection, foster care, adoption and residential care will be addressed.

**SWK A481** Case Management in Social Work Practice 3 CR
Contact Hours: 3 + 0
Prerequisites: SWK A330.
Covers the identification of issues, procedures, responsibilities, skills, and processes for effective case management. Includes theory-based skills regarding client identification and outreach, assessment, service planning, coordination, monitoring, advocacy, and evaluation along with written communication skills for coordinated service delivery. Issues relevant to special client populations are identified and analyzed.

**SWK A490** Selected Topics in Social Work 1-3 CR
Contact Hours: 1-3 + 0
Registration Restrictions: Junior or Senior level standing.
Focus on current topics related to social work services, diverse client groups and field of practice.

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<td>Introduction to science of humans as social animals, emphasizing social processes which give rise to and shape human’s language, experiences, perception, meaning, and behavior. Multiple frameworks used in understanding and predicting human behavior.</td>
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<td>Conceptual approach to deviant and delinquent behavior, contributing social problems, adolescence as a subculture. Emphasis on juvenile code and treatment procedure.</td>
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<td>Introduction to sociological study of contemporary patterns relating to marriage, family and other intimate relationships. Also explores impact of gender roles, ethnicity and racial background on beliefs, values, attitudes and behaviors.</td>
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<td>Introduction to the world of the adolescent. Examines various patterns of physical, social, intellectual and emotional development during adolescence and effects of social class, ethnicity, race and gender.</td>
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<td>Theoretical perspectives on the causes, consequences, and control of crime and delinquency. Survey of the major theoretical perspectives in the study of crime and delinquency with special attention to the application of empirical research methods to important theoretical issues.</td>
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<td>A comparative analysis of the social status and role of the aging in various societies with emphasis on problems of aging in contemporary U.S.</td>
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<td>Introductory course for students with no previous knowledge of the Spanish language. Develops listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Spanish for effective communication at the elementary level. Students gain understanding of basic cross-cultural perspectives. Course conducted in Spanish.</td>
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<td>Continuation of introductory course. Further develops elementary listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Spanish for effective communication. Enhances appreciation of cross-cultural perspectives. Course conducted in Spanish.</td>
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<td>Enhances listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills for effective communication at the intermediate level. Students critically examine diverse cultural perspectives. Course conducted in Spanish.</td>
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<td>Continuation of first semester in intermediate Spanish. Further develops listening, speaking, reading, and writing proficiency for effective communication and in preparation for advanced study of Spanish. Students interpret diverse cultural perspectives. Course conducted in Spanish.</td>
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<td>Course Attributes: UAA GER Quantitative Skill Req.</td>
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<td>Introduction to statistical reasoning. Emphasis on concepts rather than in-depth coverage of traditional statistical methods. Topics include sampling and experimentation, descriptive statistics, probability, binomial and normal distributions, estimation, single-sample and two-sample hypothesis tests. Additional topics will be selected from descriptive methods in regression and correlation, or contingency table analysis.</td>
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### Theatre

**THR A111 Introduction to the Theatre**  
**3 CR**  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Course Attributes: UAA GER Fine Arts Requirement  
Survey of theatre with focus on artists who contribute to theatrical production viewed within the context of historical styles and development.

**THR A121 Introduction to Acting**  
**3 CR**  
Contact Hours: 2 + 3  
Corequisite: THR A141L  
An introduction to basic acting techniques with emphasis on creativity, concentration, relaxation, physical and vocal awareness, and the Stanislavsky method of acting.

**THR A141 Stagecraft I**  
**3 CR**  
Contact Hours: 2 + 2  
Corequisite: THR A141L  
Workshop in principles and techniques of contemporary theatrical production technical direction, drafting, scenery construction and rigging.

**THR A141L Stagecraft I Laboratory**  
**0 CR**  
Contact Hours: 0 + 0  
Grade Mode: Non-Graded.

**THR A151 Makeup for the Theatre**  
**3 CR**  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Special Fees.  
Basic principles of stage make-up techniques emphasizing the structure of the face, character interpretation, stage lighting, historical research for hair and makeup, and special 3-D effects.

### Veterinary Assisting

**VETT A101 Introduction to the Veterinary Profession**  
**1 CR**  
Contact Hours: 1 + 0  
Introduction to the veterinary profession for individuals considering a career in this field. Introduces responsibilities and expectations as well as legal boundaries of a veterinary health care team.

**VETT A103 Veterinary Office Procedures**  
**3 CR**  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: (VETT A101 or concurrent enrollment).  
Provides the student with current information in veterinary practice office management. Students will apply concepts, principles, and skills to situations specific to veterinary office procedures.

**VETT A122 Basic Handling and Behavior: Small Animals**  
**2 CR**  
Contact Hours: 2 + 0  
Prerequisites: (VETT A101 or concurrent enrollment).  
Special Fees.  
Introduces general topics in the veterinary field: small-animal breeds and behavior, safe animal handling and restraint, grooming, nutrition, and vaccination. Additional topics include exam room procedures (physical exam and history taking), facility maintenance, medicating, surgical assisting, and laboratory assisting.

**VETT A123 Basic Handling and Behavior: Large Animals**  
**2 CR**  
Contact Hours: 2 + 0  
Prerequisites: (VETT A101 or concurrent enrollment).  
Special Fees.  
Introductory course for students considering a career in large-animal health care. Introduces large-animal nutrition, care, behavior, and restraint, including working safely with large animals.

**VETT A124 Introduction to Small Animals**  
**3 CR**  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Prerequisites: (VETT A101 or concurrent enrollment).  
Special Fees.  
Introductory course for students considering a career in small-animal health care. Topics include an introduction to restraint, clinical pathology, diagnostic imaging, emergency medicine, anesthesia, pharmacology and pain management, surgical and medical nursing, dentistry, and other applicable skills.

**VETT A201 Veterinary Anatomy and Physiology**  
**4 CR**  
Contact Hours: 3 + 2  
Prerequisites: (VETT A101 or concurrent enrollment).  
Special Fees.  
Registration Restrictions: Placement into PRPE A108 or higher and (high school chemistry with minimum grade of C and biology with minimum grade of C), or (CHEM A055 with minimum grade of C and BIOL A102 with minimum grade of C and BIOL A103 with minimum grade of C).  
Introductory anatomy and physiology course for students considering a career or furthering their education in the veterinary field. Introduces comparative anatomy and physiologic processes for both small- and large-animal species. Includes lecture and lab components.

**VETT A295 Veterinary Assistant Practicum**  
**3 CR**  
Contact Hours: 0 + 9  
Prerequisites: (VETT A101 or concurrent enrollment).  
Major Restriction: Must be Veterinary Assisting major.  
Special Note: Majors only.  
Students gain practical experience in a workplace setting. The faculty, practicum supervisor, and student collaboratively develop an individualized plan for workplace training to reflect the student's occupational objectives.

### Vocational Skills

**VS A131 Construction for the Owner/Builder I**  
**3 CR**  
Contact Hours: 3 + 0  
Familiarizes students with standard practice construction and alternatives to that practice. Includes the terms/systems involved in construction.  
Concepts and systems covered are foundations, floors, walls, roof, alternative energy in structures, and alternative structures.

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