Students make their way along Yukon Drive on the Fairbanks campus on a sunny autumn afternoon.
UAF Facts and Figures

- Originally founded in 1917 when Alaska was still a territory, today UAF is America’s northernmost Land, Sea and Space Grant institution.
- UAF encompasses the central campus in Fairbanks; Bristol Bay Campus in Dillingham; Chukchi Campus in Kotzebue; Interior Alaska Campus, covering the Interior; Kuskokwim Campus in Bethel; Northwest Campus in Nome; and the Community and Technical College in Fairbanks.
- UAF’s geographically diverse student body represents 49 states and 45 foreign countries.
- UAF offers 146 degrees and 31 certificates in 117 disciplines.

Degrees Conferred, Spring 2014

- 169 licensures and occupational endorsements
- 1,117 certificates and associate or baccalaureate degrees
- 272 master’s and doctoral degrees

Student Profile, Fall 2014

ENROLLMENT
Fairbanks Campus.............................. 6,532
Community and Technical College.......... 3,105
Bristol Bay Campus............................ 611
Chukchi Campus............................... 296
Interior Alaska Campus..................... 376
Kuskokwim Campus........................... 314
Northwest Campus............................ 314
eLearning & Distance Education........... 2,538

University of Alaska Fairbanks (total*).... 9,992

* Some students attend more than one campus and are not counted twice in the total.

- Female 59%
- Male 41%
- Alaska Native/American Indian 18%
- Undergraduate 88%
- Graduate 12%
- Median age 25

- As America’s Arctic university, UAF offers a number of unique programs and degrees particularly focused on the biology, climate, natural resources and peoples of northern latitudes, the circumpolar North and the Pacific Rim.
- The UAF mascot is the Nanook, a derivation of “nanuq,” the Inupiaq Eskimo word for polar bear. Up until the mid-70s, the men’s basketball team was known as the “Flying Nanooks” because of the regular, and long, airplane rides they took in order to compete with other college teams. Since 1963 all University of Alaska Fairbanks sports teams have been called Nanooks.

Estimated 2015-2016
UAF Annual Costs

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* Western Undergraduate Exchange (see page 62)
** Includes Wood Center student life, student government, technology transportation, UA facilities, UA network, athletics, Student Recreation Center and health center fees. Does not include health insurance, books, supplies, parking, sustainability, travel, miscellaneous expenses or special costs associated with international or exchange students. Costs are subject to change.
The UAF Experience

UAF — Then and Now

UAF’s Fairbanks campus is four miles west of downtown Fairbanks, on a low ridge overlooking the Chena and Tanana river floodplains. Artifacts found on the bluff tell us tribal groups used the hill beginning perhaps 3,500 years ago. It offered a wide view of the flats below and probably served as a base camp for hunting and gathering.

THE EARLY YEARS
Gold discoveries in the early 1900s brought sudden changes to the Tanana Valley. In 1906 the hill where UAF now stands became part of a federal Agricultural Experiment Station, and in 1915 the U.S. Congress approved money and transferred a piece of land from this station to establish a school of higher education. The institution began as the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines, focusing on research and teaching in support of agriculture and mining. Two years later the Alaska Territorial Legislature added funding, and in 1922, when the first building was completed, the college opened its doors to students. In the first semester, a faculty of six offered 16 classes to a student body of 12. Commencement in 1923 consisted of a single graduate.

The institution quickly began to grow. In 1931 the federal government transferred the entire Agricultural Experiment Station to the college. In 1935 the Alaska Territorial Legislature changed the institution’s name to the University of Alaska to reflect the school’s expanding role in research, teaching and public service for all Alaska. By then, faculty and course offerings had grown to include liberal arts, science and engineering.

World War II brought a rapid influx of population and development to the territory. Wartime national awareness of the need for scientific polar research in the interests of defense and communications led to the establishment in 1946 of the Geophysical Institute. Since its inception, the GI has earned an international reputation for studies of the Earth and the physical environment at high latitudes. The university awarded its first Ph.D. degree to a geophysics student in 1955.

STATEHOOD AND BEYOND

The University of Alaska had a significant role in the statehood movement of the 1950s, when the Constitutional Convention was held on campus. The Alaska Constitution was drafted in what is now Signers’ Hall, now the home of UAF student service and administrative offices. Alaska became the nation’s 49th state in 1959.

Research expanded broadly in the decade of the 1960s with the establishment of institutes in several disciplines. The Alaska Legislature created the Institute of Marine Science in 1960 and the Institute of Arctic Biology two years later. Since 1969 the Geophysical Institute has operated Poker Flat Research Range, providing launch facilities for NASA and the Department of Defense. Poker Flat is the only university-owned rocket range in the world.

In 1970 the university was designated a federal Sea Grant institution for marine research. Alaska Sea Grant develops and supports research, education, and outreach programs and partnerships to help sustain economic development, traditional cultural uses, and conservation of Alaska’s marine, estuarine and coastal watershed resources. Stations in Kodiak and Juneau are also actively involved in marine and fisheries research.

In 1972 the Alaska Legislature established the Alaska Native Language Center and provided operating funds. Since then the university has supported research, documentation and teaching of the state’s 20 Native languages.

To meet the need for expanding services for all Alaskans, the University of Alaska statewide system was created in 1975. Campuses in Anchorage and Juneau were assigned their own chancellors and central staffs, with the statewide administration and overall university president remaining in Fairbanks.

Meanwhile, the campus in Fairbanks continued to expand. The University of Alaska Museum of the North, one of the state’s most popular visitor attractions, moved into the Otto Geist Building in 1980. An expansion completed in 2006 nearly doubled the museum’s size and added a research center, learning center and Alaska art gallery. The museum’s unique collection offers the public a view of the rich and varied cultures of the North.

In 1981, UAF enrollment topped 5,000 students for the first time. The university also began to emphasize its shared scholarship and global education efforts in a series of agreements with schools in Japan, Denmark, Canada, India, People’s Republic of China, Russia and other countries. The institution branched out to include campuses in Bethel, Dillingham, Kotzebue, Nome and the Interior. Learning centers in other communities such as Fort Yukon, Galena, McGrath, Nenana, Tok and Unalaska provide additional education services to rural Alaskans.

UAF’s public service role is filled in part by the statewide Cooperative Extension Service with its 13 district offices. Public broadcasting stations KUAC FM and TV, the first public stations in the state, are headquartered at UAF.

In 1991 NASA named UAF a Space Grant institution for aerospace research, making it a Land, Sea and Space Grant institution, one of only a handful of triple-crown universities in the country.
**TODAY**

UAF’s colleges and schools offer degrees and certificates in 117 disciplines with a variety of vocational and technical programs. Graduate degrees are available in a wide range of academic study. UAF is internationally known for its Pacific Rim and circumpolar North research. It is consistently among the top 100 universities in the nation for funding from the National Science Foundation. UAF is the primary doctoral degree-granting institution in Alaska, offering Ph.D. degrees in anthropology, indigenous studies, several of the physical and natural sciences, psychology, mathematics and engineering. Master’s degrees are offered in almost 40 fields in the humanities, social sciences, northern studies, physical and natural sciences, and in professional fields such as engineering, justice, education and business administration. Interdisciplinary programs are possible for students who have a research focus in areas where UAF has faculty expertise and research facilities.

In 2017, UAF will celebrate 100 years of making important contributions to Alaska, helping find solutions to the state’s unique challenges in areas like Arctic engineering, wildlife biology, health care and education. UAF helps power Alaska’s economy by turning students into professionals for Alaska’s workforce.

**Students**

Individualism and diversity are Alaska traditions. At UAF, students find not only a broad mix of cultures and ages, but also a climate of respect for individual rights and preferences. A student from a rural Alaska village can share knowledge and insights with others from places as distant as Tallahassee or Tokyo. UAF’s enrollment in fall 2014 was 9,992 students. Of those, 59 percent are female and 41 percent male; 88 percent are undergraduate and 12 percent are graduate students. UAF students hail from 49 states and 45 foreign countries.

Many UAF students are nontraditional. They study at night or after work, and balance schoolwork with family responsibilities. The university offers a wide variety of evening and weekend classes. UAF students can attend classes through distance delivery from remote areas of Alaska or from anywhere in the world. Using computers, telephones and the Internet, students can take courses or work toward their degrees without leaving home.

Many students take advantage of UAF’s exchange programs to study at colleges and universities around the world, or through the National Student Exchange program, which offers studies at universities throughout the United States. There are 130 different student organizations on campus, with that number going up all the time. Students produce the weekly *Sun Star* newspaper, run KSUA, the campus radio station, and participate in scores of special interest groups.

**Faculty**

At UAF you find faculty members who are among the best in the country, and because of the low 11:1 student-faculty ratio, you receive more personal attention here than you would at almost any other public university in the nation. Once you have chosen a major, you will be assigned a faculty advisor from your academic department. Your advisor will help you choose classes each semester and will explain programs and requirements. You will get to know the faculty not just as professors, but as friends, advisors and mentors. Education is an individual process, different for each person. At UAF, you are an individual, not just a face in the crowd.

**UAF’s Mission**

*The University of Alaska Fairbanks is a Land, Sea, and Space Grant university and an international center for research, education, and the arts, emphasizing the circumpolar North and its diverse peoples. UAF integrates teaching, research, and public service as it educates students for active citizenship and prepares them for lifelong learning and careers.*

**CORE THEMES**

- **Educate:** Undergraduate and graduate students and lifelong learners
- **Research:** Create and disseminate new knowledge, insight, technology, artistic and scholarly works
- **Prepare:** Alaska’s career, technical and professional workforce
- **Connect:** Alaska Native, rural and urban communities by sharing knowledge and ways of knowing
- **Engage:** Alaskans through outreach for continuing education and community and economic development

**Commitment to Quality**

UAF has been accredited since 1934 by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities. UAF acts continuously to assess and improve the educational experience for its students. Students evaluate their teachers at the end of each semester; those student opinion reports are available at [www.asuafstudentgov.org/teacher-and-course-evaluations/](http://www.asuafstudentgov.org/teacher-and-course-evaluations/). Faculty and administrators evaluate courses in the core curriculum every year. Each degree program and certificate is assessed at least every five years. Results are used to change and improve the education provided by UAF. The learning outcomes expected for each degree program can be viewed at [www.uaf.edu/provost/assessment-review/assessment/](http://www.uaf.edu/provost/assessment-review/assessment/).
Campuses

All UAF campuses will be tobacco-free beginning Dec. 31, 2015.

**Fairbanks Campus**

The 2,250-acre Fairbanks campus offers limitless opportunities for activity and recreation. The main campus has two lakes and 26 miles of trails as well as a major student recreation complex for indoor sports. Facilities are available for basketball, volleyball, badminton, tennis, calisthenics, dance, gymnastics, judo and karate. There are rifle and pistol ranges; courts for handball, racquetball and squash; a jogging track; a swimming pool; weight training and modern fitness equipment areas; an ice arena for recreational skating and hockey; a special aerobics area; a two-story indoor climbing wall; an outdoor climbing tower covered with ice in the winter; and a winter snowboard terrain park. UAF sponsors intercollegiate athletic teams in men’s and women’s basketball, men’s and women’s cross country running and skiing, coed rifle, men’s ice hockey and women’s volleyball and swimming.

The Wood Center is the focus of many extracurricular activities. With a pub, dining facilities, bowling lanes, conference rooms, lounge and games area, the Wood Center is a gathering place for the entire university community.

UAF has some of the best facilities in the state. Performances are scheduled almost every weekend during the academic year in Davis Concert Hall or Salisbury Theatre. The Rasmuson Library, Alaska’s largest library, offers extensive resource materials in print and online. An array of computer databases provides access to hundreds of academic journals, and Internet connections allow students at remote rural sites to use library resources. The UA Museum of the North is not only one of the top visitor attractions in the state but also a resource for students. Its vast collections are used for demonstration and comparative studies in classrooms and labs.

The Fairbanks campus is the statewide university system’s principal research center. Internationally respected institutes provide students with an opportunity to see science in action and participate in research activities.

**FAIRBANKS AREA**

Fairbanks, Alaska’s second-largest city, sits on the banks of the Chena River in the heart of Alaska. The downtown district is easily accessible via the local bus system and a network of bike trails. The city is steeped in a history of riverboat captains and gold seekers. Its character has been shaped by a large military presence, construction of the trans-Alaska oil pipeline and the continuing oil economy, and a thriving university. It is a city where old quietly blends with new. Striking modern buildings sit side-by-side with log cabins built in the early part of the last century.

With an area population of some 100,000, Fairbanks offers the conveniences of a big city, yet millions of acres of rolling hills and spectacular Alaska panoramas are only minutes away. Mount McKinley, or Denali (Koyukon Athabascan for “The High One”), the tallest mountain in North America, is often visible from many UAF residence hall windows. Whether the sport is canoeing, climbing, running, dog mushing, skiing or fishing, nowhere else compares with Alaska.

**TRANSPORTATION TO FAIRBANKS**

Fairbanks is easily accessible by land or air. Anchorage is 365 miles away via the Parks Highway or the Alaska Railroad, and Seattle is 2,300 miles away via the Alaska Highway. Major airlines offer several daily flights between Fairbanks and Anchorage, Seattle and many other destinations.

The Alaska Railroad provides a special one-way fare between Anchorage and Fairbanks for all full-time UAF students in summer or regular sessions. Students must ask for the special rate when making reservations and present their student ID to the ticket agent at check-in. For reservations, contact the Alaska Railroad at 907-458-6025 or 800-544-0552.

**ELEARNING & DISTANCE EDUCATION**

UAF has been a leader since 1963 in offering distance courses and programs for students throughout Alaska and the world. eLearning & Distance Education offers more than 350 courses in 60 disciplines. Additionally, eLearning offers degrees and certificates completely online. Internet-based e-learning lets students further their education and earn their degree without the constraint of classroom attendance. eLearning courses are academically rigorous, meet during regular semesters and count toward degree programs.

For more information contact eLearning & Distance Education in the Bunnell Building on the Fairbanks campus, by phone at 800-277-8060 or 907-479-3444, via email at uaf-elearning@alaska.edu or at [http://elearning.uaf.edu](http://elearning.uaf.edu).

**Community Campuses**

In addition to the Fairbanks campus, UAF has community and rural campuses in downtown Fairbanks, Bethel, Dillingham, Kotzebue and Nome, and maintains six community centers through its Interior Alaska Campus in Fairbanks. These branches, part of the College of Rural and Community Development, are central to fulfilling the UAF mission of providing educational opportunities throughout the state. Credits earned at any UAF campus or center are recognized at all UAF campuses, meaning that students may change campuses and transfer all UA credits.

For more information about the College of Rural and Community Development, visit [www.uaf.edu/rural/](http://www.uaf.edu/rural/).
Troth Yeddha’

In February 2013 the U.S. Board on Geographic Names officially recognized Troth Yeddha’ as the name for the ridge that is home to the University of Alaska Fairbanks campus. In Lower Tanana Athabascan this name means “Indian potato ridge,” and refers to the plant with an edible root — *Hedysarum alpinum* — that is a traditional food for Native people throughout Alaska. The Athabascan, or Dene, languages have ancient ties to the Tanana Valley. Athabascan geographic names are functional and rule-driven and are shared across neighboring languages. Seeing these as interconnected facts, numerous Tanana Valley Athabascan experts have shared the Troth Yeddha’ place name with pride.

In 1994 the late Chief Peter John of Minto said Athabascan people long ago used to come to Troth Yeddha’ to talk and give advice to one another about what they were going to do. When they learned this place would be used for a university, he said, they decided that the school would be good and would carry on a traditional use of this hill — a place where good thinking and working together would happen.

In recent years numerous facts about the Chenal Athabascans of Troth Yeddha’ have been assembled. Until the 1840s a small village was located at a pond at the base of the ridge, where the UAF Physical Plant is now. Place names for water features surrounding the ridge have also been reconstructed.

UAF celebrates and honors the historical place of Alaska’s first peoples. In 2008 the Board of Regents set aside seven acres as Troth Yeddha’ Park. The park will be a venue to celebrate the rich cultures of Alaska Natives and their presence on the Fairbanks campus.

For more information visit www.uaf.edu/trothyeddha/.

BRISTOL BAY CAMPUS IN DILLINGHAM

The Bristol Bay Campus serves 32 rural communities in the Bristol Bay region within a 55,000-square-mile area. The campus includes 12 coastal communities served by the Aleutian-Pribilof outreach center in Unalaska/Dutch Harbor: the Aleutian archipelago, lower Alaska Peninsula, the Shumigan Islands, and the Pribilof Islands. The campus’ administrative center is in Dillingham (about 322 air miles from Anchorage and 570 air miles from Fairbanks), with centers in King Salmon, Togiak and New Stuyahok. Enrollment at Bristol Bay Campus ranges from 500 to 800 students each semester. The campus offers an Associate of Arts degree in general studies and Associate of Applied Science degrees in allied health, applied business, applied accounting, community health, early childhood education, human services, information technology, interdisciplinary studies and renewable resources. Bachelor’s degree programs include elementary education, interdisciplinary studies, rural development and social work. Master’s degrees are offered in rural development and education. Other programs include Adult Basic Education, providing adult basic education through high school-level instruction for Bristol Bay adults, and the Marine Advisory Program.

The Bristol Bay Campus also provides educational opportunities for communities in its service area, including vocational-technical, community interest and graduate courses. Classes are offered by distance delivery (audio conference, video conference, correspondence or Internet) and by instructors using traditional methods. For more information, visit www.uaf.edu/bbc/.

CHUKCHI CAMPUS IN KOTZEBAUE

The Chukchi Campus is located 26 miles north of the Arctic Circle on the shores of the Chukchi Sea. The campus serves Kotzebue and 10 villages in a region of more than 36,000 square miles. Chukchi offers Associate of Arts as well as Associate of Applied Science degrees, and courses leading to baccalaureate degrees in education, rural development and social work. Courses are offered by local instructors and through the College of Rural and Community Development audio-conferencing and live Internet instructional systems. For more information, visit www.uaf.edu/chukchi/.

COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE IN FAIRBANKS

The Community and Technical College fulfills UAF’s community college mission in the greater Fairbanks area by offering high-quality certificate, degree and specialized training programs. Its core purpose is to provide community-driven education to meet needs for workforce development, academic preparation and lifelong learning. CTC helps prepare Alaskans for Alaska’s jobs.

CTC offers more than 40 certificate and degree programs such as allied health and nursing, process technology, applied business and accounting, paramedic and law enforcement academies, information technology, fire science, aviation, and early childhood education.

CTC benefits from strong partnerships with local employers in business, industry and organized labor. Many CTC faculty come from active workplace settings, ensuring that CTC students learn from people at the forefront of their professions.

Many CTC classes are held during evenings or weekends; the campus also offers a growing array of courses online. CTC specializes in meeting the needs of nontraditional students who have been away from college or whose work and family obligations make full-time student status challenging, as well as traditional students entering college for the first time.

CTC’s main campus is at 604 Barnette St., in downtown Fairbanks. At the Student Advising and Registration Center, students can receive academic advising, register and pay for classes, and take placement tests.
Additional CTC locations in Fairbanks and other communities include:

- Aviation Maintenance Program Hangar: 3504 University Ave. South
- Bunnell House Early Childhood Lab School: 703 Chatanika Dr.
- Fairbanks Pipeline Training Center: 3600 Cartwright Ct.
- Hutchison Institute of Technology: 3750 Geist Rd.
- University Park Building: 1000 University Ave.
- Offices on Fort Wainwright and Eielson Air Force Base
- Partnership office at Delta Career Advancement Center in Delta Junction

For more information contact CTC at 907-455-2800 or visit www.ctc.uaf.edu.

**INTERIOR ALASKA CAMPUS**

The Interior Alaska Campus in Fairbanks serves 49 communities and villages in the Doyon region and Interior Alaska, an area about the size of France. The Interior Alaska Campus is the most decentralized of the UAF campuses. Although the director's office and some faculty are located in Fairbanks, there are Interior Alaska Campus staff in Fort Yukon, McGrath, Nenana and Tok. Courses are offered throughout the region online and by audio conference, on site by local or visiting instructors, and via intensive sessions in Fairbanks and Anchorage. The campus offers a range of degree programs, including occupational endorsements, certificates, and Associate of Arts and Associate of Applied Science degrees. Math and English tutors are available for all students taking courses through the campus. For more information, visit www.uaf.edu/iac/.

**KUSKOKWIM CAMPUS IN BETHEL**

The Kuskokwim Campus is located in Bethel and serves approximately 25,000 people in the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta, which includes 47 remote Alaska Native Yup’ik and Cup’ik Eskimo and Athabaskan villages with 56 tribes in a 57,000-square-mile-area the size of Illinois. Bethel is a community of about 6,000 people 80 miles inland on the Kuskokwim River. KuC also operates one remote learning center based in Hooper Bay, a Yup’ik Eskimo community of 1,000 on the Bering Sea coast. KuC offers academic, vocational and community interest courses, as well as courses leading to associate, baccalaureate and master’s degrees, including a Bachelor of Arts degree in Yup’ik language and culture, the home language of many families in the region. The Emerging Scholars Program assists all full-time freshmen in the transition to college, both academically and socially, and in the completion of certificates and degrees. Students may attend classes on campus and through distance delivery. Housing on campus is available in Sackett Hall, which provides suites with space for four students in each. For more information, visit www.bethel.uaf.edu.

**NORTHWEST CAMPUS IN NOME**

Northwest Campus is located in Nome, a community of 3,500 that is the service hub for the 15 villages of the Bering Strait region. This 44,000-square-mile region extends from Shishmaref on the northern edge of the Seward Peninsula to Stebbins on the southern rim of Norton Sound. It includes communities on St. Lawrence and Little Diomede islands. The area contains 570 miles of coastline, which includes all of Norton Sound and portions of the Bering and Chukchi seas.

The Northwest Campus serves a total population of nearly 10,000. Certificates and associate, bachelor’s and master’s degrees are offered to the region’s residents, with courses taught both traditionally and by distance delivery. Affiliated learning centers are located in the communities of Shishmaref and Unalakleet. The campus responds to vocational, business development, cultural preservation and academic needs of the Bering Strait region. Many courses, programs and degrees are offered in cooperation with regional health and tribal organizations, school districts and corporations. For more information, visit www.nwc.uaf.edu or www.facebook.com/uaf-nwc/.
UAF colleges and schools offer programs leading to occupational endorsements, certificates and associate, bachelor's and master's degrees in the arts, sciences and professions. Doctoral programs are available in areas of particular strength, such as sciences and mathematics.

EDUCATION

The School of Education prepares professional educators for Alaska's unique geographic, cultural and linguistic conditions. Course work and fieldwork in a broad range of undergraduate and graduate programs are available to students on the Fairbanks campus and by distance delivery to rural areas. Programs offered respond to recent standards developed by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation, formerly known as the National Council of Accreditation of Teacher Education, and the Alaska Teacher, Student and Cultural Standards.

Undergraduate degree programs and postbaccalaureate endorsement programs lead to state of Alaska teaching certificates in elementary and secondary education. A postbaccalaureate K-12 special education program leads to State of Alaska initial teacher certification or an additional endorsement in special education. Our school counseling program leads to a State of Alaska Type C Special Services certificate. Our community counseling program provides the course work required to be a licensed professional counselor in Alaska. Graduate degree programs leading to a Master of Education include school or community counseling, cross-cultural education, elementary education, secondary education, special education, curriculum and instruction, language and literacy, and online innovation and design.

School of Education staff and faculty work closely with colleagues at the CRCD campuses and school districts across the state to prepare well-qualified pre-service educators and to offer professional development opportunities to practitioners. Faculty research focuses on issues of formal and informal education related to Alaska Native people and communities, cross-cultural contexts, distance education, indigenous populations and rural issues.

The School of Education advising office offers experienced, full-time personnel who provide advice about SOE programs on a drop-in or appointment basis and provide appropriate referrals for financial aid and other information that students and interns need. SOE rural grants, in partnership with rural school districts and UAF community campuses, provide various types of support for rural and Alaska Native students seeking to become teachers, counselors and school leaders. For more information, call 907-474-7341 or visit www.uaf.edu/educ/.

ENGINEERING AND MINES

The College of Engineering and Mines includes the academic departments of civil and environmental engineering, computer science, electrical and computer engineering, mechanical engineering, mining and geological engineering, and petroleum engineering, and the research enterprise of the college, the Institute of Northern Engineering. INE houses the Alaska Center for Energy and Power, the Alaska University Transportation Center, the Mineral Industry Research Laboratory, the Petroleum Development Laboratory and the Water and Environmental Research Center.

CEM offers students a challenging academic experience that will allow them to contribute, compete and succeed in today's global economy. The college offers programs leading to undergraduate and graduate degrees in civil engineering, computer engineering, computer science, electrical engineering, Arctic engineering, engineering management, environmental quality engineering, environmental quality science, geological engineering, mechanical engineering, science management, mining engineering, mineral preparation engineering and petroleum engineering. An engineering Ph.D. program is also offered.

The baccalaureate degree programs in computer science and civil, computer, electrical, geological, mechanical, mining and petroleum engineering are accredited by ABET.

CEM's academic programs provide a basis for advanced study or specialized careers. CEM students benefit from small class sizes through increased interactions with faculty and other students and excellent access to instructional laboratories. The college provides opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students to participate in research. Theoretical and practical hands-on knowledge, in tandem with discipline-related research, gives CEM students the expertise and training they need for their chosen career path.

CEM departments are active in outreach activities such as Engineering Week, the Alaska Summer Research Academy, the Alaska Native Science and Engineering Program, educational workshops, the fundamentals of engineering examination review course, and a range of short courses for the professional engineering community. Visit http://cem.uaf.edu or call 907-474-7730 for more information.

FISHERIES AND OCEAN SCIENCES

The School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences is responsible for statewide academic, research and service programs relating to Alaska's marine and freshwater environments and fisheries.

For undergraduate degrees, SFOS offers a minor, Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts in fisheries, and a minor in marine sciences. Fieldwork opportunities are available to undergraduate students through cooperating state and federal agencies, and internships are available with nonprofit and industry fishery partners. Undergraduate fisheries majors are
prepared for graduate study or to enter management, private industry or other fields.

Graduate degrees offered by SFOS include Master of Science and doctoral degrees in oceanography, marine biology and fisheries. Students can also pursue studies in seafood science through the fisheries program. Graduate students prepare for careers in university research and education, or research or management with state and federal agencies and private industry. As part of their degree programs, graduate students conduct research in collaboration with faculty, often in remote locations around Alaska and beyond.

Education, research and extension work on freshwater and marine systems are conducted by the departments that make up SFOS. The Institute of Marine Science, with major laboratory facilities in Fairbanks and Seward, focuses on oceanographic and marine biological research and graduate education. The Kasitsna Bay laboratory, near Homer, is the site for coastal research on intertidal and subtidal communities. The Juneau Center focuses on fisheries research and education. The Kodiak Seafood and Marine Science Center is focused on research and extension work in seafood science and sustainable harvest technology. The Marine Advisory Program offers public education and outreach statewide from its offices in Anchorage and coastal communities. SFOS also operates the oceanographic vessel Sikuliaq, a global-class research vessel designed to work in the ice-laden waters of polar regions. The Sikuliaq is based in Seward.

For more information, visit www.sfos.uaf.edu or call 907-474-7824.

GRADUATE SCHOOL
UAF offers professional licenses, graduate certificates, master’s degrees and the Doctor of Philosophy degree in a number of areas. The Graduate School also manages UAF’s unique interdisciplinary program where students can work on individualized degrees related to current issues. See the graduate degree requirements and specifics on programs offered.

The Office of the Graduate School provides information and assistance for prospective and current graduate students, including orientation, teaching assistant training and several scholarship and fellowship programs. Information can be found at www.uaf.edu/gradsch/ or by calling 907-474-7464.

LIBERAL ARTS
As one of the largest colleges at Alaska’s research university, the College of Liberal Arts supports scholarship that furthers understanding of Alaska and the circumpolar region in a changing global context. Extensive research and creative work inform our teaching to provide students with opportunities to become knowledgeable in and across the arts and humanities, and social and behavioral sciences; to develop expertise in specific areas of concentration; and to participate in exciting research both as a graduate student and as an undergraduate. The college provides learning opportunities beyond the classroom that foster responsibility, understanding of vital issues and commitment to place. Core curriculum courses provide breadth to the general education of all UAF undergraduates, while liberal arts undergraduate and graduate programs ground students in their disciplines. More information is available at www.uaf.edu/cla/ or by calling 907-474-7231.

MANAGEMENT
The School of Management provides a high-quality education that prepares students to meet the challenges facing businesses in Alaska and around the world. The school’s programs include undergraduate degrees in accounting, business administration, economics, and homeland security and emergency management, as well as 12 undergraduate minors. Graduate degrees include a Master of Business Administration, a Master of Science in resource and applied economics, and a doctorate in natural resources and sustainability. The School of Management is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) International and is one of only 182 schools worldwide with an additional specialized accreditation in accounting.

Going beyond the classroom, SOM embraces experiential learning by encouraging students to be active participants in their education through involvement in student organizations, paid internships and events.

For more information visit www.uaf.edu/som/ or call 907-474-7461.

NATURAL RESOURCES AND EXTENSION
Scientists, natural resources managers and policymakers are becoming more aware of the complexity and interrelatedness of society and the environment. Implementing sustainable natural resources decisions in contemporary society requires an interdisciplinary approach. Graduates of the School of Natural Resources and Extension use their academic training to facilitate the wise management of renewable resources. The undergraduate program in natural resources management integrates knowledge in natural sciences, policy, forestry, economics and human values to examine the sustainable use of natural resources and decisions regarding their management.

Graduate students may earn one of two types of master’s degrees in natural resources management — one thesis-based and one project-based — and a doctorate in natural resources and sustainability.

Faculty and students conduct research through the Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Station, which includes research centers and experiment farms in Fairbanks and Palmer, the Forest Soils Laboratory in Fairbanks, and field sites around the state. SNRE developed its courses and programs in close cooperation with many university units, private industry, and local, state and federal agencies. These cooperative arrangements provide students with opportunities for fieldwork and internships in the degree options listed above, as well as in outdoor recreation, water resources management, park and wilderness management, geographic information systems, and research planning and administration. For more information visit www.uaf.edu/snre/ or call 907-474-7083.
NATURAL SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS
The College of Natural Science and Mathematics offers undergraduate and graduate degrees in the physical and life sciences, statistics and mathematics. CNSM provides most UAF undergraduate courses in science and mathematics, including the baccalaureate core science curriculum and a variety of outreach programs. The college is known for its modern teaching technologies, access to professors and quality undergraduate student advising. CNSM also offers minors in each of its major disciplines.

Academic programs provide a foundation for professional careers or advanced study, and help students develop critical thinking and analytical skills. CNSM majors enjoy close working relationships with faculty and other students. The college provides opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students to work with faculty on research projects. Unique opportunities are available through UAF research centers and institutes, including the CNSM Division of Research, the Geophysical Institute, the Institute of Arctic Biology, the UA Museum of the North and the International Arctic Research Center. The fundamental knowledge gained through courses and by working on practical, discipline-related projects gives CNSM graduates the skills and experience they need to enter the job market or continue their education.

CNSM is home to the Alaska Native Science and Engineering Program and K–12 outreach programs, including the Science Potpourri, the Alaska Summer Research Academy, Girls on Ice and GeoFORCE. In these and other programs, high school and university students work with CNSM faculty on original research projects aimed at improving the quality of life in Alaska.

At the graduate level, CNSM offers Master of Science and doctoral degrees in the natural sciences and mathematics. These advanced programs provide students with research opportunities in laboratory and field settings throughout Alaska. CNSM's doctoral programs provide opportunities for advanced study leading to academic and professional positions. In 2015, CNSM will begin a cooperative program in veterinary medicine with Colorado State University. For more information, visit www.uaf.edu/cnsm/ or call 907-474-7608.

RURAL AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
The College of Rural and Community Development focuses on the needs of nontraditional students, including students who seek skills and degrees suited to the economy and well-being of rural communities. CRCD promotes workforce preparation, economic development, lifelong learning and community development. CRCD campuses provide general and vocational-technical education at the certificate and associate degree levels, baccalaureate and graduate degrees in rural development, and, in cooperation with the College of Liberal Arts and the School of Education, baccalaureate and graduate degrees in cross-cultural studies, education and social work. In addition, CRCD offers workshops, continuing education and short-term courses, developmental studies, credit for prior learning and other nondegree-oriented services.

CRCD community campuses include Northwest (Nome), Kuskokwim (Bethel), Bristol Bay (Dillingham), Chukchi (Kotzebue), Interior Alaska (Fairbanks, which administers six centers throughout the Interior), and the Community and Technical College (downtown Fairbanks).

CRCD serves nearly two-thirds of Alaska, encompassing 160 primarily Alaska Native Arctic, sub-Arctic and coastal communities. At least 16 indigenous languages are spoken in the region served by CRCD, and the economy spans subsistence hunting and fishing, small-scale village development and cooperatives, and large-scale international corporate development. The College of Rural and Community Development focuses on responding to students and partners to develop the economic and social well-being of Alaska Native communities and beyond. For more information, visit www.uaf.edu/rural/ or call 907-474-7143.
Research Institutes, Centers and Consortia

UAF’s location in Interior Alaska provides easy access to glaciers, permafrost, the Pacific and Arctic oceans, and other elements of a sub-Arctic climate. Accordingly, several research centers and academic departments focus their scholarly work on issues particular to the North. These include the environmental impact of human activities, development of renewable and nonrenewable resources and energy sources, and the understanding and preservation of indigenous northern cultures.

The vice chancellor for research oversees all university research activities and has primary responsibility for the university’s research mission. The VCR office directs the development of university research policies and oversees sponsored programs, research integrity, and intellectual property and licensing.

Assistantships are available for graduate students working on research with faculty in many research institutes and centers. Each researcher has a joint appointment with an academic department. Any student interested in specific faculty research projects and the availability of assistantships should contact the appropriate academic department.

**AGRICULTURAL AND FORESTRY EXPERIMENT STATION**

The Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Station conducts research to enhance the quality of life in Alaska through development of natural, economic and human resources. Research emphasizes factors typical of high latitudes and is designed to provide the information and technology needed to manage renewable resources for the economic and social well-being of Alaskans. This work includes studies of natural and manipulated ecosystems, sustainable soil productivity, food production, food security, genetics for improved plant and animal productivity, and enhanced livestock production. Additional research involves economic and legal aspects of resource use, silviculture and forest management, resource use for tourism and recreation, and education and communications in resources management.

AFES, in cooperation with state and federal agencies, conducts research at sites in Fairbanks, Palmer, Delta Junction and Nome. AFES faculty have a leadership role in the Long-Term Ecological Research program funded by the National Science Foundation. This research, which is determining the structure and function of northern boreal forest ecosystems, forms the basis for sustainable forest management practices.

AFES faculty represent the disciplines of agronomy, animal science, economics, forestry, horticulture, land use planning, outdoor recreation, plant pathology, range science, resource policy and law, and soil science. For more information, visit [www.uaf.edu/snre/research/afes/](http://www.uaf.edu/snre/research/afes/) or call 907-474-7083.

**ALASKA QUATERNARY CENTER**

The Alaska Quaternary Center, established in 1982, is a focal point for interdisciplinary Quaternary studies and research at UAF. The Quaternary Period spans the past two million years, a time of glacial-interglacial climate oscillations, floral and fauna migrations, mammalian extinctions and human evolution. Quaternary studies thus encompass scientific investigations of geologic, climatic, biologic and human systems of the past and present. The AQC comprises researchers in the anthropology, biology and wildlife, and geology and geophysics departments, the School of Natural Resources and Extension, the Institute of Marine Science, the Institute of Arctic Biology and the Geophysical Institute.

The AQC is housed within the Department of Geology and Geophysics and the College of Natural Science and
Mathematics. The center sponsors seminars and workshops and hosts visiting speakers from countries throughout the world. Quaternary scholars from UAF regularly collaborate with Canadian, Russian and European colleagues conducting research in Alaska, Siberia and the Yukon, as well as Africa, Mongolia and western Europe. The AQC plays an important role in northern science during this time of increasing interest in studies of global change, biodiversity and other aspects of Arctic climates and ecosystems.

For more information, call 907-474-5033 or visit www.uaf.edu/aqc/.

ALASKA SEA GRANT
Alaska Sea Grant is a partnership between the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the University of Alaska Fairbanks. Alaska Sea Grant is administered by the UAF School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences.

Alaska Sea Grant enhances the wise use and conservation of Alaska's marine and freshwater resources through research, education and outreach.

ASG supports researchers and university graduate students contributing new knowledge related to healthy coastal ecosystems, sustainable fisheries and resilient coastal communities. Alaska Sea Grant also recruits students into career-building national and state scholarships and fellowships in marine policy, fisheries population dynamics and other marine fields.

Alaska Sea Grant Marine Advisory Program faculty are located in eight coastal communities and build partnerships that provide technical assistance to support economic development, marine literacy, workforce development, and resource management. More than 7,000 adults and youth attend workshops and presentations by ASG annually.

As part of its education mission, ASG supports marine literacy among K-12 teachers and students through curriculum and other learning resources and training. ASG produces publications, videos and website resources available via an online bookstore that help the public understand Alaska’s diverse marine ecosystem. ASG also keeps scientists connected through community-based regional scientific conferences and through scientific symposia, including the international Lowell Wakefield Fisheries Symposium Series.

ASG is funded by UAF and NOAA, with support from various public and private partners.

For more information visit www.alaskaseagrant.org or call 907-474-7086.

CENTER FOR CROSS-CULTURAL STUDIES
Established in 1971, the Center for Cross-Cultural Studies is a teaching, research and development unit administered through the UAF College of Liberal Arts. It promotes programs that concentrate on the needs of Alaska’s indigenous societies, with particular regard to education and rural issues.

The center offers academic degree programs and course work in cross-cultural studies. It designs and conducts basic and applied research projects, develops and evaluates alternative educational strategies for Alaska schools, and disseminates findings on current research in education and rural community development.

The center gives technical support and information to school districts, social service agencies, Native corporations, tribal governments, community colleges, and state and federal agencies in rural Alaska. It provides direction for improving educational, professional and community development opportunities for rural Alaskans, and it is a forum for examining those issues. Curricula incorporating indigenous knowledge and Native ways of knowing are available through the Alaska Native Knowledge Network on the web at www.ankn.uaf.edu.

For more information, telephone 907-474-1902 or email fycxs@ankn.uaf.edu.

CENTER FOR GLOBAL CHANGE AND ARCTIC SYSTEM RESEARCH
The Center for Global Change and Arctic System Research facilitates collaborative research by faculty and students in environmental science and earth system studies. The center sponsors an annual student research grant competition that provides support to students for research related to global change with an Arctic or sub-Arctic focus presented in an interdisciplinary context. The center also participates in education and outreach activities on global change and Arctic system research.

For information on education opportunities in earth system and environmental sciences, see Interdisciplinary Studies in the Degrees and Programs section of this catalog, or call 907-474-5415.

For more information about the center and its activities, visit www.cgc.uaf.edu or call 907-474-5818.

GEOPHYSICAL INSTITUTE
Founded in 1948, the Geophysical Institute is a world-renowned center for the study of geophysics from the sun to the center of the Earth.

Proximity to the Arctic provides excellent opportunities for high-latitude geosciences. Major research programs are underway in space physics, atmospheric science, seismology, volcanology, satellite remote sensing, tectonics and sedimentation. The institute operates a rocket range for space research and a satellite ground station with processing and archiving capabilities for earth science support. In addition, the Alaska Volcano Observatory, the Alaska Earthquake Information Center, Alaska Climate Research Center and the Alaska Center for Unmanned Aircraft Systems Integration are located at the institute. More than 75,000 books, 350 journals and other specialized media are maintained at the Keith B. Mather Library.

GI faculty and students benefit from the coupled activities of education and research. Undergraduate and graduate students find work in research programs while gaining academic credit toward their degrees. Most GI faculty have joint appointments, providing teaching opportunities at the College of Natural Science and Mathematics or the College of Engineering and Mines.

The institute focuses on the needs of Alaska, using geophysical data as the basis for decision-making tools. Examples include monitoring earthquakes and volcanic eruptions leading to hazard alerts to federal and state agencies. Remote
sensing specialists use satellite and airborne observations to help fight forest fires and monitor the health of Alaska's ecosystems. Institute scientists run computer simulations of tsunamis, aiding coastal communities in developing emergency evacuation plans. The institute has programs reaching out to K-12 schools with scientific curricula to educate and motivate potential science students.

More than 500 permanent field sites are operated throughout Alaska and are associated with the Poker Flat Research Range, the Alaska Earthquake Center, the Alaska Volcano Observatory and the Permafrost Research Laboratory.

For more information, visit www.gi.alaska.edu or call 907-474-7282.

**INTERNATIONAL ARCTIC RESEARCH CENTER**

The International Arctic Research Center was established in 1999 as a cooperative research institute supported by both the U.S. and Japanese governments. Funding comes from the National Science Foundation, the Department of Energy, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in the U.S., and from the Japan Agency for Marine-Earth Science and Technology, and Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency.

IARC serves as a focal point of excellence for international collaboration and provides the Arctic research community with an unprecedented opportunity to share knowledge about science in the Arctic, with an emphasis on global climate change research. IARC's mission is to foster Arctic research in an international setting to help the nation and the international community to understand, prepare for, and adapt to the pan-Arctic impacts of climate change. In order to fulfill that mission, IARC provides an integrated science and service program for the benefit of the Arctic community.

Key elements of that program include analysis, synthesis and provision of Arctic climate information, including Arctic Ocean hydrographic information for scientists, students, decision-makers and the public; support and coordination of Arctic system modeling; and serving as a gateway or Arctic climate science coordination center for Alaska and the Arctic research community, with special attention to collaboration with international scientists and institutions.

IARC conducts an internationally popular summer school for young researchers and holds workshops on the integration and synthesis of research. IARC also supports several K-12 outreach projects.

IARC is located in the Akasofu Building. For more information, call 907-474-6016 or visit www.iarc.uaf.edu.

**INSTITUTE OF ARCTIC BIOLOGY**

The Institute of Arctic Biology is Alaska's principal research and educational unit for investigating high-latitude biological systems and providing policymakers knowledge to interpret, predict and manage biological systems through integration of research, student education and service to Alaska and the nation.

IAB research focuses on wildlife and conservation biology; plant-animal interactions; and human health disparities; nutrition and physical activity using a community-based, participatory approach.

IAB, established by the Alaska Legislature and the UA Board of Regents in 1962, is a world leader in Arctic research and is an academic gateway to study of the circumpolar Arctic. IAB administers several specialized research programs and facilities. Toolik Field Station is an internationally recognized Arctic research station that annually hosts hundreds of scientists from around the world. The Center for Alaska Native Health Research investigates weight, nutrition and health in Alaska Natives. The Bonanza Creek Long-Term Ecological Research program focuses on the long-term consequences of climate change and disturbance in Alaska boreal forests. The Alaska IDeA Networks of Biomedical Research Excellence program seeks to enhance biomedical research infrastructure in Alaska and fund research and student training focused on the interface of health, disease and the environment in people and animals. The Alaska Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit, part of the U.S. Geological Survey, promotes research and graduate student training in the ecology and management of fish and wildlife. The Alaska Geobotany Center is dedicated to understanding northern ecosystems through GIS, remote sensing and field experiments. The Spatial Ecology Lab provides state-of-the-art spatial analysis of ecological data and development, testing, and application of spatially explicit ecological models. IAB's research greenhouse provides a year-round environment for research and education. The Core DNA Lab keeps UAF at the cutting edge of molecular analysis.

For more information, call 907-474-7412, visit www.iab.uaf.edu or follow @ArcticBiology on Twitter.

**INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE**

The Institute of Marine Science conducts marine science studies in the world's oceans, with special emphasis on Arctic and Pacific sub-Arctic waters.

The faculty provide expertise in chemical, geological and physical oceanography and marine biology. Instruction is carried out through a minor in marine science and the graduate program in marine sciences and limnology in the School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences, where degrees are offered at the master's and doctoral levels.

Research efforts cover a wide range of disciplines, and some projects are components of large national and international cooperative programs that are worldwide in extent. Institute of Marine Science researchers also participate in the broad marine science community through service on a variety of national and international steering committees, boards, panels and advisory committees.

Research facilities include laboratories on the Fairbanks campus; the Seward Marine Center, a major coastal facility in Seward; the Kasitsna Bay Laboratory, a marine biology field station on Kachemak Bay; and the 261-foot global class, ice-strengthened Research Vessel Sikuliaq. The Seward Marine Center supports a high-quality seawater system and excellent biological and chemical laboratories, and is the Sikuliaq's home port. The Alaska SeaLife Center, a private,
The Institute of Marine Science research programs include the Virtual Tsunami Center; Alaska Natural Geography in Shore Areas, Census of Marine Life; Ocean Acidification Research Center; GAK1, Gulf of Alaska CTD Time Series; GOAIERP, Gulf of Alaska Integrated Ecosystem Research Program; RUSALCA, Russian-American Long-Term Census of the Arctic; and NEWNET/ORION, a radiation and climatological monitoring program through autonomous stations in Fairbanks, Seward, Nome, Kotzebue, Point Hope and Barrow. Laboratories and specialists cover areas including acoustics; algae, biological, chemical, fisheries, geological and physical oceanography; marine biology; mammals; pathology and ecosystems; remote sensing; seagrass studies; and underwater instrumentation.

The main offices, laboratories and computer facilities of IMS are located in the William A. O’Neill, Laurence Irving II and Arctic Health Research buildings on the west ridge of the Fairbanks campus. For more information, visit www.ims.uaf.edu or call 907-474-7229.

THE INSTITUTE OF NORTHERN ENGINEERING

The Institute of Northern Engineering is the research enterprise for the College of Engineering and Mines. INE faculty and students are engineering solutions for the world’s cold regions and beyond. The institute is home to many of the world’s leading researchers in cold weather and cold climate science and engineering. INE research and support span the engineering disciplines, offering studies and expertise in energy production, modeling and testing of mechanical systems, and environmental engineering and hydrology, as well as Arctic infrastructure, and mining and petroleum development. INE also participates in many cross-institute endeavors.

The institute includes the Alaska Center for Energy and Power, Alaska University Transportation Center, Mineral Industry Research Laboratory, Petroleum Development Laboratory, and Water and Environmental Research Center. ACEP houses the Alaska Hydrokinetic Energy Research Center, and WERC serves as the home of the Alaska Stable Isotope Facility. External grant and research support for INE programs has been more than $20 million annually since 2011. Most of INE’s researchers are full-time faculty in the College of Engineering and Mines, allowing research results to reach the classroom quickly.

INE offers diverse interdisciplinary research opportunities, challenging students to tackle wide-ranging engineering topics. Students gain knowledge and experience through hands-on engagement, setting them apart in the engineering job market.

To get started with your northern engineering research or studies, visit www.uaf.edu/ine/ or call 907-474-5457.

JUNEAU CENTER, SCHOOL OF FISHERIES AND OCEAN SCIENCES

The Juneau Center is home to nine UAF fisheries faculty members and about 60 graduate students enrolled in the M.S. and Ph.D. fisheries and marine biology programs. Four UAS biology and marine biology faculty hold joint appointments in the SFOS fisheries division and supervise UAF graduate students based at the Juneau Center.

Faculty supervise students’ research on a broad array of biological problems in laboratories that specialize in quantitative stock assessment, biology and ecology of marine and freshwater species, molecular genetics, behavioral ecology, marine policy, and other fields of study. Laboratories at the Juneau Center include specialized facilities for seawater culture of marine animals and plants, quantitative (computer) analysis and fisheries stock assessment, geographic information systems, molecular genetics, salmon culture, and marine ecology. Juneau Center students also work in laboratories and facilities of other agencies in Juneau such as NOAA Fisheries’ Auke Bay Laboratory and Ted Stevens Marine Research Institute, the U.S. Geological Survey’s Glacier Bay Field Station, and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game’s Mark, Tag and Age Lab.

The center is adjacent to the National Marine Fisheries Service Ted Stevens Marine Research Institute in Auke Bay. For more information, visit www.sfos.uaf.edu/fishdiv/ or call 907-796-6441.

KODIAK SEAFOOD AND MARINE SCIENCE CENTER

The Kodiak Seafood and Marine Science Center contributes scientific and technical expertise through teaching, research and service in fisheries, seafood science and technology, and marine biology. Faculty at KSMSC teach undergraduate and graduate classes in fisheries, seafood and marine biology, and provide informal education and training for industry, K-12 students and the public. KSMSC is the hub of applied seafood research for the state and also home to research related to marine mammal ecosystems, harmful algal blooms, and food science and marketing. Public service is provided through seafood and fishing industry consultations and partnerships with local organizations for economic development and increasing understanding of the local environment.

KSMSC faculty have expertise in fisheries, nutrition, food chemistry, food microbiology, marine mammal biology, seafood processing, seafood economics and seafood engineering. The Kodiak Center provides ready access to coastal and offshore marine systems in the Gulf of Alaska as well as freshwater streams and lakes.

The center is near the NOAA Kodiak Fisheries Research Center and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. For more information, call 907-486-1500 or visit www.sfos.uaf.edu/ksmsc/.
UARCTIC

UAF is a founding member of UArctic (originally the University of the Arctic), a cooperative network of universities, colleges and other organizations committed to higher education and research in the North. The consortium’s goal is to create a strong, sustainable circumpolar region by empowering northerners and northern communities through education and shared knowledge. As part of this network, UAF participates in research and teaching partnerships and is a member of the student exchange program north2north, which provides opportunities for students from UArctic member institutions to experience different northern regions firsthand, and to share experiences face-to-face by allowing students to study at other UArctic institutions. For more information visit www.uaf.edu/uarctic/.

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA MUSEUM OF THE NORTH

Voted the “Best Museum in Alaska,” the University of Alaska Museum of the North is a vital component of UAF’s research and education facilities as well as a thriving visitor attraction. The museum’s research collections hold more than 1.4 million artifacts and specimens representing millions of years of biodiversity and more than 11,000 years of cultural traditions in the North. These collections form the foundation for the museum’s exhibits and education programs and serve as a critical source of data for issues unique to the circumpolar North. Using the collections, university students work with the museum’s faculty curators on original research aimed at interpreting the region’s dynamic environment and cultures.

The museum’s Rose Berry Alaska Art Gallery features 2,000 years of Alaska art — from ancient ivory carvings to contemporary sculptures. In the Gallery of Alaska, exhibit highlights include the state’s largest gold display, extensive displays of Alaska Native art and artifacts, and Blue Babe, a 36,000-year-old mummified steppe bison.

In 2014, the museum began a five-year project to renovate the Gallery of Alaska. The current exhibit was installed in 1980 with minimal improvements in the intervening years. Since then, Alaska, the world and our understanding of it has changed. There are many new stories to tell. The new gallery will be immersive, allowing children and adults to engage with hands-on elements. By redesigning the casework and mounting techniques, the museum will also add to the sustained life of the collections. The new exhibits will be installed one section at a time, allowing the Gallery of Alaska to remain open to the museum’s nearly 90,000 annual visitors. The museum is raising funds from local and private sources to complete the project by 2018.

The museum also hosts several special exhibits each year. In addition, the museum presents artists’ residencies, lectures and family programs on a variety of Alaska topics, and runs the museum store, featuring Alaska jewelry, books and Alaska Native artwork.

For more information, visit www.uaf.edu/museum/ or call 907-474-7505.