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**[UAF-Staff-L] 2020-2021 expedited academic program review**

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*From the*  
**chancellor**

Aug. 13, 2020

Dear UAF faculty and staff,

In September 2019, the Board of Regents requested that UAF, UAA and UAS move forward with [expedited program reviews](#) as a means to find budget savings. During the 2019-2020 academic year, UAF conducted an expedited review of approximately half of our academic programs. We will be reviewing the [remainder of the programs \(PDF\)](#) during the 2020-2021 academic year. In addition, because they include faculty tenured in programs delivering academic, research or extension content, the following will also be reviewed:

- developmental education
- Cooperative Extension Service
- Marine Advisory Program

We will use the review process we used last year with a slight modification, per [Faculty Senate recommendation \(PDF\)](#). Expedited review focuses on department and program enrollments, cost effectiveness, and academic quality and centrality to UAF's mission.

Committees will be appointed to include representatives recommended by the Faculty Senate, ASUAF and Staff Council. Should the program wish, two representatives will be able to attend committee discussions. The process will begin in September and I will make my recommendations to the Board of Regents in March 2021 following a period of public input and feedback.

While expedited review does seek to find efficiencies and budget savings, it does not necessarily mean that a program will be eliminated. Possible recommendations include continuation of the program, restructuring, revision, suspension and elimination. Throughout the process, our primary consideration will be how to provide students with high-quality academic programs to meet their educational goals.

– Dan White, chancellor



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