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UAF Nanook Navigator & Student Success Newsletter

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Upcoming Items & Reminders

Upcoming Items

- ⇒ [10 higher ed podcasts to stream](#): EAB rounded up ten of their favorite higher ed podcasts that capture some of the most pressing issues facing today's institutions.
- ⇒ Spring 2022 Counseling at the Patty Center **every Tuesday 10a-12p** for brief appointments. Call 907-474-7043 for more information
- ⇒ [The UAF Community Mental Health Clinic is accepting new clients](#). Graduate-level counseling students are accepting new clients for 50-minute Telehealth counseling sessions occurring once per week from **Jan. 10 to April 28**.
- ⇒ A nonbinary, genderqueer, genderfluid, gender non-conforming, trans identifying & gender questioning support group for currently enrolled undergraduate and graduate students. Join Thursdays 1-2 PM **Jan 13–Apr 28**. Email uaf-sh-cc@alaska.edu for Zoom link & password.
- ⇒ UAF eCampus offers a limited number of competitively-awarded tuition awards for students taking eCampus-supported courses each summer. Students can apply using the [general UAF Scholarships application](#). Students must be registered for their summer eCampus class(es) by the **application deadline of March 15** to be eligible. [Find a list of eCampus-supported courses](#)
- ⇒ **The Spring Career Fair on March 31, 2022 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm** in the UAF Wood Center is the perfect opportunity to explore a variety of industries and career pathways, network with employers, secure a job or internship, or just shop around. [Register here!](#)
- ⇒ [2022 Archaeological Field School- Now Accepting Applications \(Due Apr 1\)](#): This summer (Summer Session II - June 27th - August 5th) we will resume. Please email Dr. Justin Cramb (jecramb@alaska.edu) the following; A one-page letter of application documenting why you want to be a part of this field school and an unofficial transcript.
- ⇒ [URSA's Research and Creative Activity Days](#): The 2022 edition of URSA's Research and Creative Activity Days will be **online from April 5-7**. Undergraduates from all disciplines that wish to share their research and creative projects with the UAF community are invited.
- ⇒ Commencement: This year UAF will celebrate commencement on Saturday, April 30, 2022, at the Carlson Center in Fairbanks. We're planning to hold two short, student-centered ceremonies, however this is a ticketed event and seating is limited, so students must confirm their attendance at the ceremony via [RSVP form by March 18, 2022](#).
- ⇒ Nominations open for 2022 Cornerstone Award-Nominate a staff member who has shown outstanding and ongoing commitment to UAF's community and mission. **Due March 18**.
- ⇒ [Applications open for student commencement speaker](#)

Reminders

- ⇒ [Advising roundtable](#) is every 1st Wednesday September through May for faculty and staff advisors. [Click here if you would like to be added to the calendar invites](#).
- ⇒ Did you know you can manage (edit, add summaries, & mass cancellations) your Nanook Navigator appointments through the appointments tab in your staff home role? [See more here](#).
- ⇒ Nominations are open for the Learnie Awards. This year's awards, "Learnies: Breakthrough," will take place on May 5, and highlight the use of open educational resources as well as student learning experiences. Nominations are open to all faculty, staff, students, and Fairbanks community members. [Nominate someone for a Learnie](#). [More information here](#)
- ⇒ [UAF Staff Council is offering financial support](#) for conference registrations; professional memberships or dues; online classes outside of LinkedIn Learning; online training courses; and miscellaneous professional development needs.
- ⇒ [Teaching Tip](#): Address burnout with grounding practices--Are you feeling like you're in a loop of self-discovery and loss and wondering, "Is my introspection just me crawling into myself for shelter?" Here are five quick, practical



The Nanook was on the prowl in the stands in Anchorage's Sullivan Arena during the UAF-UAA battle for the Alaska Airlines Governor's Cup trophy. UAF Photographer: Todd Paris, 2015

Dates & Deadlines

- March 7-11:** Spring Break (no classes)
- March 11:** University holiday (most offices closed)
- March 18:** [Commencement Attendance Form Due](#)
- March 21:** Fall 2022 course list available at [UAOnline](#)
- March 25:** Last day for student- and faculty-initiated withdrawals (W grade appears on academic transcript)
- April 4:** Begin Fall 2022 priority registration
- April 18:** Begin Fall 2022 open registration
- April 25:** Last day of instruction
- April 26-30:** Final examinations
- April 30:** Commencement
- May 1:** Residence halls close, noon
- May 1:** Deadline to apply for admission for Summer 2022 semester
- May 4:** Deadline for faculty to post grades
- May 16:** First day of instruction for Summer 2022 six-week session I and full session
- May 30:** Memorial Day (no classes, most offices closed)

The structure built by students representing the College of Engineering and Mines is engulfed in flames during the traditional Starvation Gulch bonfires Sept. 27.

UAF Photographer: Todd Paris, 2014



Events & Opportunities

For All

Mondays Weekly: Mindful Mondays 12-1p
email uaf-sh-cc@alaska.edu to get registration link

Tuesdays Weekly: A Stress & Coping Workshop Series 12-1p

Fridays Weekly: Life after Loss: A place for those who are grieving 12-1p

Students

Mondays and Thursdays: Repair Clothing, Electronics, and more at the Upcycle Annex

March 14: Alaska INBRE funding - diversity research and curriculum development applications due

March 15: Alaska Space Grant summer internships applications due

March 15: OARC Samples of Opportunity Proposals Due

March 17-19: FemCon

March 18: Fall orientation leader applications due

March 20: URSA's Research and Creative Activity Days Registration Deadline

March 21: Midnight Sun Science Symposium 2022 Abstracts Due

March 27: URSA Innovative Technology and Education Award Applications Due

March 31: Spring 2022 Career Fair at the Wood Center 11am-3pm

April 1: 2022 Anthropology Summer Field School applications due

April 30: Sign up to be a 2022 class ambassador

Student Success Members

Year-Round: On-Demand Webinars available for free

Year-Round: Student Success & Advisor Training Schedule and Sign-Up

January 26–May 4: Transformative Conversations -Revitalizing and Supporting Students and Institutions (Webinar Series)

May 25-27: NACADA Region 8 Conference in Victoria, British Columbia; early registration deadline April 27.

Instructors

Year-Round: Faculty Development

On-Demand: Academic Minute: The Key Faculty Role in Student Success

March 18: Send feedback to advisors about students with barriers

Spotlight

Name: Krista Sinnok
Title: Academic Advisor and Program Coordinator
Department & College: School of Education
Roles: Advisor

Why are you passionate about UAF students & their success?

UAF students are amazing! They are passionate about Alaska, and want the best for their communities. Helping our students be successful helps all of Alaska flourish.

Favorite part about being an advisor?

I have the special task of helping future teachers earn their degrees and gain experience in their fields. The best part is seeing those students out in the community, pursuing their dreams!

What is your favorite feature in Nanook Navigator?

The texting feature is really helpful. Students are busy, and getting reminders and quick information into their hands (or directly onto their phones, in this case) is a powerful tool.

How long have you been utilizing Nanook Navigator?

I started training in Nanook Navigator when I got hired by UAF in the fall of 2019. I have been learning about the features through trainings and trying them out with my students since the beginning of my advising career.

Tips, advice, or ideas to support other Nanook Navigator users or student success practices?

I recommend that people dive in and try a new feature about once per semester. There's so many ways to use this tool, and that can seem overwhelming. Once you start using it, you'll find what works best for you!



Photo Credit: Krista Sinnok

Support for Student Success

[Rethinking Wellbeing in Higher Education- Guide](#)

[Teaching Tip: Benefits of in-semester feedback](#)

[Teaching Tip: Send feedback to advisors about students with barriers](#)

[Webinar: Challenges and Opportunities: Students with Disabilities in Evolving Learning Environments by Logan Gin](#)

How One University Helps STEM Students Succeed

Not all first-generation students saw their studies sidelined by the pandemic. For many students enrolled in STEM programs at Lehigh University, it was full steam ahead. Download [How One University Helps Stem Students Succeed](#) to find out why.

The pandemic's ripple effect on student success

We've identified four pandemic ripple effects that will dominate the student success conversation for the next several years. Discover the steps you can take now to prepare.

Reading Between the Lines to Support Struggling Students

What higher ed educators and leaders need to know about how student identities and the traumas they've experienced in life relate to current challenges.

5 ways to support the whole student

Students come to institutions with unique experiences and identities. Here are five ways to see that your mental health programs evolve to meet student needs.



A brilliant sunrise brightens the sky southeast of the Bunnell Building on the Fairbanks campus at about 9:15 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 5. UAF Photographer: Todd Paris, 2014



Nanook Navigator Resource Website: <https://uaf.edu/gs/nanooknavigator/index.php>

Log into Nanook Navigator: <https://uaf.campus.eab.com/>

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