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## UAF EDUCATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS EVALUATION POLICY

In accordance with its mission, the University of Alaska Fairbanks has a continuing responsibility to review and improve performance of students, faculty, and programs. UAF therefore establishes the Educational Effectiveness Evaluation to describe the effects of curriculum, instruction, and other institutional programs. The process will be useful for curricular and institutional reform and will be consistent with UA Board of Regents Policy and institutional and specialized accreditation standards.

The university shall ensure the academic freedom of the academic community in the development and maintenance of this process.

Evaluations shall be conducted with regard to the following:

- 1) Student Information - Students will be assessed upon entry to the university for purposes of course advising and placement, especially in mathematics and English, and for describing the gender, age, ethnicity, and previous education of students recruited, retained, and graduated over time.
- 2) Evaluation of the CORE Curriculum - Evaluation of the CORE curriculum will include assessment embedded within CORE courses as well as the assessment of students within upper division courses, especially oral and writing intensive courses.
- 3) Programmatic Evaluation - Each degree and certificate program will establish and maintain a student outcomes assessment process useful for curricular reform and consistent with institutional and specialized accreditation standards.
- 4) Evaluation of Out of Class Learning - An important element of a student's overall education is learning that occurs outside of classes. Therefore, an evaluation of those activities and student support services impacting a student's education shall be conducted.