

Institutional Accreditation

- UAF has been continuously accredited as an institution since 1934
- Why is this important?
 - Students can transfer credits
 - Students can receive federal financial aid
 - UAF eligible for some types of grant funding
- www.uaf.edu/accreditation

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Self-Evaluation Report Complete

- Thank you to those who contributed
- Available online at www.uaf.edu/accreditation
- Currently in the hands of evaluators
 - They may call you with questions – please take time to answer thoroughly and frankly
 - If they ask for an appointment with you, please accommodate them. We do not set their schedule, they do. Please plan to be available during their visit.

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Evaluation Visit – October 3 – 5
 Public Presentation of Results 9:30 am
 Wednesday October 5th Davis Concert Hall + audio

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Evaluators (9) + NWCCU rep

- Dr. Joseph J. Fedock, Chair, Senior Vice Provost, MSU Bozeman, Mission and Core Themes, Governance, Institutional Planning, Mission Fulfillment, Adaptation and Sustainability
- Dr. Jane C. Sherman, Vice Provost, WSU, Educate Theme and Educational Resources
- Dr. Perry J. Brown, Provost & VPAA, UM Missoula, Discover Theme and Educational Resources
- Mr. Russell Goodrich, Assoc. VC, Professional and Technical Education, USU – College of Eastern Utah, Prepare Theme and Educational Resources

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Evaluators (9) + NWCCU rep (cont.)

- Ms. Anneliese A. Ripley, Dean, School of Outreach and Research, UM Western, Engage Theme
- Dr. F. Ann Milner, President, Weber State Univ., Connect Theme
- Ms. Kay Christensen, Assoc. VP of Academic Affairs, ISU, Human Resources and Student Support Resources
- Ms. Bonnie J. Allen, Dean of Libraries, UM – Missoula, Library and Information Resources

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Evaluators (9) + NWCCU rep (cont.)

- Ms. Laura E. Hubbard, Assoc. VP for Budget and Finance, UO, Financial Resources and Physical and Technological Infrastructure
- Dr. Sandra E. Elman, President, NWCCU Liaison

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Why are the evaluators coming?

- Ground truth our report – does it represent the actual?
 - Meetings with faculty, staff and students – please take part
 - Meetings with deans/directors/department chairs/program heads, etc.
- Pursue questions they have formulated from reading the report
- Common questions
 - What is your role in the UAF Core Themes?
 - Adequate resources (e.g., faculty, staff, space, etc.)?
 - Is your unit following standards and policies (e.g., personnel evaluations, assessment, faculty roles in hiring & curriculum)?

UAF Core Themes

- Educate: Undergraduate and Graduate Students
- Discover: Through Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity including an Emphasis on the North and its Peoples
- Prepare: Alaska's Career, Technical, and Professional Workforce
- Connect: Alaska Native, Rural, and Urban Communities through Contemporary and Traditional Knowledge
- Engage: Alaskans via Lifelong Learning, Outreach, and Community and Economic Development

What comes next in institutional accreditation?

- Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities will provide final recommendations in January 2012
- Begin new seven-year cycle with reports due every other year (year 1, year 3, year 5 and year 7)
- 2012 year 1 report due – a chance to revise our themes, objectives and indicators of achievement -- your input is important - please participate
- Connect the above work to the UAF and UA strategic planning in 2011-12